

### **JOINT GLOBAL PROGRAM**

# LLM DEGREES IN FOREIGN INSTITUTIONS 2025-2026

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### **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**



#### FORDHAM LAW SCHOOL

Fordham Law School is located in a brand new building in the very center of Manhattan, just next to Lincoln Center, in one of the most exciting and vibrant parts of New York City. Fordham Law School is considered one of American's best law schools and provides students with an outstanding opportunity to study law.



Fordham Law students gain an education that extends far beyond a solid understanding of fundamental legal principles. Through a variety of practical learning experiences, students obtain substantive experience in real legal settings. Fordham students are challenged to master the letter of the law and to seek meaningful solutions to the complex legal problems people face

in the 21st century.

In terms of ranks and measures, the results of Fordham's compelling approach to legal education are excellent. As a top law school, Fordham Law is very selective. The School is one of the top 25 most selective law schools in the nation, measured in terms of the LSAT scores of its most recent entering class. With an impressive record of graduate employment, Fordham Law is one of the 20 top law schools measured in terms of Class of 2012 initial employment with Big Law (firms with 101+ attorneys) and federal clerkships reported to the ABA. In the *U.S. News and World Report* "America's Best Graduate Schools" 2014 edition, the authorative source for U.S. law school rankings, Fordham Law is ranked in the top tier overall, and our part-time, evening program is ranked 5th in the nation.

Location: Manhattan, New York

LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas: Comillas students can apply to any concentration in the LLM: <a href="https://www.fordham.edu/school-of-law/academics/curriculum/llm-curriculum/llm-areas-of-study/">https://www.fordham.edu/school-of-law/academics/curriculum/llm-curriculum/llm-areas-of-study/</a>

Website: http://www.law.fordham.edu/



#### **BOSTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**

Boston University School of Law is located in the heart of downtown Boston, Massachusetts. Boston University School of Law is considered a leading U.S. and international school and welcomes hundreds of students from around the globe to study in its law school.



Boston University School of Law is a top-tier law school that offers a wide-ranging curriculum taught by professors recognized nationally as exceptional teachers and preeminent scholars. Approximately 800 students are enrolled in the full-time J.D. degree program and about 200 in the School's five LL.M. degree programs. Students can explore virtually any area of the law among the School's nearly 200 classes and seminars. Students learn critical legal theory and doctrine in classes that average a 12:1 student/faculty ratio, while developing professional lawyering skills in the School's numerous civil and criminal law clinics, national and international externships and pro bono placements, and highly regarded transactional practice program.

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

LLM in Banking & Financial Law; LLM in Intellectual Property Law Program; LLM in Taxation Program

Website: http://www.bu.edu/law/



#### **OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY MORTIZ COLLEGE OF LAW**



Founded in 1891 and a top ranked law school (#32), the Moritz College of Law has grown into one of the nation's pre-eminent public law schools and one of the most respected law schools in the world.

A collegial community of approximately 570 students and more than 50 faculty members, Moritz is known for its rigorous academic program, the pioneering research of its world-class faculty, a deep commitment to teaching and professional training, and the development of future leaders.

The college's more than 10,000 alumni are central to its national reputation. Graduates include justices of the Supreme Court of Ohio, federal appeals and district court judges, U.S. senators, U.S. representatives, governors, managing partners in law firms of all sizes, chief executive officers of Fortune 500 corporations, professors at law schools across the country, and prominent attorneys in private practice, government service, and public interest law firms.

Location: Columbus, Ohio

**LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas:** LL.M. for Foreign Lawyers + Concentration

Website: https://moritzlaw.osu.edu/



#### AMERICAN UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW



At American University Washington College of Law (AUWCL), students encounter a world of endless opportunities in legal education. A top law school that provides an excellent legal education in all areas of the law, AUWCL has a myriad of nationally recognized programs and initiatives that equip students with the unique skills to excel in the modern legal profession. Students, faculty, and alumni enrich their legal understanding and broaden their perspectives simply by participating in one of the innovative programs available at the law school.

**Location:** Washington D.C.

LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas: International Legal Studies

Website: <a href="https://www.wcl.american.edu">https://www.wcl.american.edu</a>



#### **STETSON LAW SCHOOL**

Founded in 1900 as Florida's first law school, Stetson University College of Law has educated outstanding lawyers, judges and other leaders for 110 years. In 1954, the College moved from Stetson's main campus in DeLand to Gulfport, nestled in one of the 25 largest metropolitan areas in the United States. The College of Law opened a satellite campus in downtown Tampa in 2004.



The main College of Law campus is in the residential beachfront community of Gulfport, which is adjacent to St. Petersburg. Few places in the world can compete as an idyllic environment for the study of law. Inside the walls of this former 1920s resort, you'll find classrooms and courtrooms equipped sophisticated with audio-visual technology. Stetson's library attracts legal scholars from around the world with its comprehensive digital and print collections, not to mention its comfortable study areas.

Location: Gulfport, Florida

LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas: <u>International Law</u> (Focus on Public or Private International Law, with additional focus on U.S. Law)

Website: <a href="http://www.stetson.edu/law/">http://www.stetson.edu/law/</a>



#### UNIVERSITY OF DENVER STURM COLLEGE OF LAW

University of Denver Sturm College of Law is one of the top 100 law schools in the United States, achieving national recognition for its academic excellence and strong experiential learning programs. The College of Law is located just outside downtown Denver, an exciting and vibrant city named by U.S. News and World Report as the best city to live in the United States.

The College of Law is recognized for its emphasis on experiential learning and hands-on training through a variety of opportunities offered the College. The College offers clinics, coordinates legal externships (internships), and operates research centers, such as the Ved Nanda Center for International and Comparative Law. There are also many student organizations, such as the Sports and Entertainment Law Society and the Intellectual Property Law Society, as well as law journals, including the Denver University Law Review, the University of Denver Criminal Law Review, and the University of Denver Water Law Review.

The American Law Practice LLM (ALP) is designed to produce practice-ready graduates with a strong grasp of the practical skills necessary to practice law in the United States or to engage in transactions with US trained-lawyers. The program builds upon Denver Law's reputation and commitment to experiential, practice-based learning. Students will particularly benefit from the "Carnegie Integrated Curriculum" which supports simulated or practice-oriented learning environment in the context of substantive law.



Location: Denver, Colorado

LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas: American Law Practice

Website: http://www.law.du.edu/



#### CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Case Western University School of Law is one of seven professional schools of Case Western Reserve University, one of the world's foremost independent research institutions. Its law school is consistently ranked as one of the best in the United States, and it maintains a world-wide reputation as a leader in legal education.



The award-winning law school building, built in 1971 and expanded in 1994, sits on a lovely green campus only 15 minutes from downtown Cleveland.

The diverse student population is selected from a competitive national pool and represents a rich mix of geography, background and undergraduate experience. Almost two-thirds of the student body

comes from somewhere other than Ohio. The professors are made up of leading legal scholars from American and around the world, including a Nobel Prize nominee.

**Location:** Cleveland, Ohio

**LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas:** Comillas students can choose among four LLM degrees: International Business Law, IP Law, International Criminal Law, and US and Global Legal Studies.

Website: https://case.edu/law/academics/llm-programs



#### PACE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Pace Law School is located in White Plains, New York, about twenty-five minutes from New York City. Located on a beautiful, bucolic campus, Pace Law School is ranked #3 in the United States for Environmental Law and has some of the best clinic programs in the United States. As part of their studies in the Environmental Master's program, students have the opportunity to work part – time at a United Nations Embassy in New York City for a developing country as an advisor on environmental law issues. Pace Law School also has some of the most world renowned environmental law scholars, including Nicholas Robinson and Robert Kennedy, the nephew of the former President of the United States.



In addition to the environmental law program, students also have the opportunity to undertake an LL.M. in Comparative Law in order to develop an expertise in the U.S. legal system. As part of their studies, students can participate in different clinical programs involving real clients and can go to court under the supervision of a practicing lawyer.

**Location:** White Plains, New York (about 25 minutes by train from Grand Central Station)

LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas: LL.M. in Comparative Law and LL.M. in Environmental Law

Website: http://www.law.pace.edu/



#### **BROOKLYN LAW SCHOOL**

Brooklyn Law School offers the ultimate urban campus, uniquely situated in New York City, at the intersection of Brooklyn Heights' beautiful historic district, the Brooklyn Civic Center, and downtown Brooklyn. The campus is at the heart of a distinctive legal, cultural, social, and visually stunning neighborhood that draws visitors from around the world to its cool, fun and hip communities and tree-lined streets.



Brooklyn Law School offers students an exciting opportunity to study for a Master's for Foreign Trained Lawyers in order to develop an expertise in the U.S. legal system and qualify to take the Bar Examination. Apart from a broad and innovative teaching

curriculum, students also have the opportunity to participate in many of the clinics and practical training programs offered by the Law School, including the Center for the Study of Business Law and Regulation, the Block Center for International Business Law and the Center for Health, Science and Public Policy.

Location: Brooklyn, New York City

LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas: LL.M. for Foreign Trained Lawyers

Website: <a href="http://www.brooklaw.edu/">http://www.brooklaw.edu/</a>



#### **DePAUL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW**

DePaul University College of Law is located in downtown Chicago and offers students an outstanding opportunity to study for an LL.M. in one of America's most vibrant and exciting cities.



DePaul is a nationally recognized law school and gives students the chance to study law with some of the nation's top law professors. In addition, for students interested in health law, DePaul offers an LLM in Health Law, which is ranked #14 in the U.S.A.

Students have the opportunity to participate in law school clinics and, by virtue of being in Chicago, have access to some of American's biggest law firms and companies.

The Law School is based in the very heart of Chicago, which serves as an urban campus for

students to explore. DePaul welcomes international students from around the world.

Location: Chicago, Illinois

LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas: <u>Taxation</u>, <u>Health Law</u>, <u>International Law</u> and <u>Intellectual Property</u>

Website: http://www.law.depaul.edu/



#### TEMPLE UNIVERSITY BEASLEY SCHOOL OF LAW

Temple University Beasley School of Law is committed to excellence in teaching, learning, scholarship, and service. Here at Temple, students learn to think critically and strategically about law as a tool for social and systemic change from faculty who have made such advocacy their life's work. They also learn how collaboration across disciplines (and differences) is key to effective lawyering and can inspire creative solutions to complex problems.

The city of Philadelphia is an important part of the Temple Law School experience. Students' academic programs are enhanced daily by the cultural and intellectual life of this beautiful and vibrant city. And Temple students are not alone in this experience. With 300,000 undergraduate, graduate, and professional students and 80 regional colleges and universities, Philadelphia boasts the second largest student concentration on the East Coast.

Attending law school in the sixth largest city in the country has definite advantages. Philadelphia is home to state and federal courts at every level, countless law firms, large and small, dozens of municipal agencies, and hundreds of other legal employers.

Philadelphia is not only the "City of Brotherly Love" and the "place that loves you back," but also the city where American democracy was born. Despite its size, Philadelphia is a very livable city and boasts a rich diversity of residential neighborhoods, many of which function like small towns with their own character, architectural style, schools, parks, restaurants, and shops. There's no better way to experience Philadelphia than to walk through the streets of this "city of neighborhoods." From the cobblestoned streets of Society Hill to the cosmopolitan lifestyle of Rittenhouse Square, the easily navigable grid and compact blocks of the downtown area make Philadelphia a walker's delight.

Don't just take our word for it – U.S. News ranked Philadelphia among 100 of the best places to live in the United States in 2022. The New York Times also recently declared Philadelphia to be one of the best cities in America for Gen Z residents. Philadelphia ranked 3rd in Realtor.com's 2021 Trendiest and Most Affordable cities list and made it onto AdvisorSmith's Top 10 Best Cities for Lawyers in the United States.

Location: Philadelphia

LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas: LL.M. for Foreign-Trained Lawyers

**Tuition:** Students must pay for all tuition that corresponds to their second semester of study at Temple: \$14,183. The exact amount of tuition that students pay will be determined by the tuition officially posted each year. **Comillas students will receive a 25% scholarship** from the publicly posted tuition for that semester. The parties recognize that only students who have paid tuition are eligible to earn a degree or certificate.

Website: <a href="https://law.temple.edu/">https://law.temple.edu/</a>



Estimated Temple Dual Law Degree Philadelphia Campus Semester Costs based on 2024-2025 tuition and fees:	Fall 2025	Spring 2026
LLM Tuition*	0	\$13,500 = \$18,000 LLM semester tuition minus 25% (\$4,500) scholarship
University Services fee (mandatory charge for all Temple U students	0	\$508
International Student fee (mandatory for all Temple F1/J1 visa students & not waived by the exchange agreement)	\$175	\$175
TOTAL DIRECT SEMESTER COSTS TO BE PAID TO TEMPLE UNIVERSITY	\$175	\$14,183

OTHER ESTIMATED PER SEMESTER EXPENSES STUDENTS MUST SHOW TO OBTAIN A U.S. F1 VISA:	Fall 2025	Spring 2026
Estimated Living Expenses for single student with no dependents	\$7,500	\$7.500
Other Expenses (books, health insurance & transportation)	\$4,350	\$4,350
SEMESTER TOTAL:	\$11,850	\$11,850

GRAND TOTAL DIRECT & ESTIMATED 2025-2026	\$12,025	\$26,033
YEAR DUAL DEGREE COSTS		



### **FRANCE**



#### **UNIVERSITÉ DE STRASBOURG**

One of France's leading universities, the Université de Strasbourg offers students the opportunity to undertake a Masters 1 in French, which will allow students to access the required Masters 2 in order to be able to sit for the lawyer licensing examination.



The University is a leading institution in the area of human rights - thanks, in part, to its location near the European Court of Human Rights.

Students can choose the subjects they wish to take and can immerse themselves in diverse subject matter in order to complete the Masters 1. Subjects include, for example,

International Public Law, French law and Business Law.

Strasbourg is a truly global city, home to many European institutions, including the Council of Europe. Strasbourg is an exciting and lively place to live, and has some of the world's best art and architecture.

Location: Strasbourg, France

**LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas:** Masters 1 in the areas of "Droit Européen" (EU Law) or "Droit International" (International Law)

Website: <a href="http://www.unistra.fr/index.php?id=16451">http://www.unistra.fr/index.php?id=16451</a>

Ability to Practice: In France, upon completion of Masters 2



## **CHINA**



#### **UNIVERSITY OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS (Beijing)**

The most important global market today has shifted away to China. One in four new Spanish businesses is Chinese owned, and China has quickly become the global investment and business center for much of the world, including all major Spanish companies and law firms, such as Santander, Ferrovial, Garrigues and Cuatrecasas. Students who have an expertise in Chinese Business Law offer international companies and law firms a unique and necessary area of knowledge, and are increasingly sought out by employers.

The University of International Business and Economics (UIBE), colloquially known as the "Oriental Harvard", and located in Beijing, China, is one of the leading law schools in China, and offers students the opportunity to study for an LL.M. in Chinese Law in English, along with students from all over the world, including the United States and Europe.



language skills.

Beijing is China's capital and offers students an amazing opportunity to explore hundreds of years of Chinese history, visit the Forbidden City and try some of China's best food. At UIBE, students have the opportunity to develop an expertise in the Chinese legal system, particularly in the area of Chinese business law. Of the course of one year, students will also be able to attend Chinese language classes in order to develop their Chinese

Please note that this program is 2 years long (1 year studying; one year writing a 60 page thesis), however, students only have to spend one academic year in Beijing. During the following summer or academic year in Spain, students will have to write a 60 page thesis with the help of a supervisor in Beijing and defend the thesis via Skype.

Location: Beijing, China

LL.M. offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas: LL.M. in International Law (in Chinese Law)

Website: https://english.uibe.edu.cn/index.htm

Access to the Bar Exam: No

Language of Instruction: English



#### **KOGUAN LAW SCHOOL, JIAO TONG UNIVERSITY (Shanghai)**

KoGuan Law School, located in Shanghai, China, is one of the leading law schools in China, and offers students the opportunity to study for an LL.M. in Chinese Law in English, along with students from all over the world, including the United States and Europe.



Shanghai is the global and business center of China and offers students an opoprtunity to study in a vibrant, cosmpolitan and fast paced city. At KoGuan, students have the opportunity to develop an expertise in the Chinese legal system, particularly in the area of Chinese business law. Of the course of one year, students will also be able to attend Chinese language classes in

order to develop their Chinese language skills.

Please note that this program is 2 years long (1 year studying; one year writing a 60-page thesis), however, students only have to spend one academic year in Shanghai. During the following summer or academic year in Spain, students will have to write a 60-page thesis with the help of a supervisor in Shanghai and defend the thesis via Skype.

Location: Shanghai, China

**LL.M.** offered to students from Universidad Pontificia Comillas: <u>LL.M. in Chinese Law</u> (in English)

Website: <a href="https://en.law.sjtu.edu.cn/">https://en.law.sjtu.edu.cn/</a>

Access to the Bar Exam: No

Language of Instruction: English

#### INFORMACIÓN GENERAL

#### 1. Calendario

Sesión informativa a alumnos	Octubre
Plazo de solicitud de plaza (proceso online)	Del 4 de noviembre hasta
	el 29 de noviembre (ambos
	inclusive)
Resolución y publicación de adjudicaciones provisionales*	Finales de diciembre
Plazo de aceptación o renuncia de la plaza por el alumno	Se informará cuando se
	comunique la asignación
Publicación de listas definitivas de plazas	Tras la publicación de las
	actas del diciembre-enero
	del curso 2024-2025
Sesión informativa con alumnos con destino adjudicado	Febrero 2025
Formalizar admisión en universidad de destino	Febrero-abril 2025
(responsabilidad de cada alumno)	

<sup>\*</sup>La adjudicación de plazas está condicionada al cumplimiento del requisito académico de no tener más de 2 asignaturas o más de 6 ECTS no superados (suspensos, no presentados o no matriculados del curso actual o pasados) tras la convocatoria de diciembre-enero del curso 2024-2025.

#### 2. Procedimiento de solicitud

El alumno interesado debe presentar la solicitud online junto con la documentación justificativa del cumplimiento de los requisitos de idiomas por correo electrónico a <a href="mailto:internacional.der@comillas.edu">internacional.der@comillas.edu</a> y esperar confirmación de la recepción.

- Formulado de solicitud y selección de universidades
- Certificado TOEFL iBT o IELTS con fecha no anterior a julio de 2023

Los alumnos serán seleccionados en función de la nota media ponderada de su expediente académico. Para poder ser admitido en el programa dicha nota media deberá ser como mínimo de 6,0.

#### 3. Requisitos de idioma

País	Universidad	Ciudad	Certificado TOEFL iBT	IELTS	Requisito académico
EE.UU.	American University Washington College of Law	Washington D. C	92 (mínimo 22 en cada parte)	6.5	7,5
EE.UU.	Boston University School of Law	Boston, Massachusetts	92 (mínimo 22 en cada parte)	6.5	7



EE.UU.	Brooklyn Law School	Brooklyn, New York	95 (mínimo 22 en cada parte)	7	7
EE.UU.	Case Western Reserve University School of Law	Cleveland, Ohio	80	6.5	7
EE.UU.	DePaul University - College of Law	Chicago, Illinois	90	6.5	7
EE.UU.	Fordham Law School	Manhattan, New York	100	7	7
China	KoGuan Law School	Shanghai	92	6.5	7,5
EE.UU.	Ohio State University Moritz College of Law	Columbus, Ohio	80	7	7,5
EE.UU.	Pace University School of Law	White Plains, New York	90	6.5	7
EE.UU.	Stetson Law School	Gulfport, Florida	88	6.5	7
EE.UU.	Temple University Beasley School of Law	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	88 (R18, L19, S19, W23)	6.5	7,5
EE.UU.	The University of Denver Sturm College of Law	Denver, Colorado	95	7	7
China	UIBE	Beijing	92	6.5	6,5
Francia	Université de Strasbourg	Strasbourg	Francés B2		

#### 4. Precios\*

	Curso 25/26			
E-1/E-5 FIPE (4º curso)	Total	Inscripción	Plazos	Nο
Programa americano	17.631,23	4.156,23	1.225,00	11
Programa chino	11.980,13	3.452,76	775,22	11
Programa europeo	5.992,65	1.188,18	436,77	11

<sup>\*</sup>Precios aprobados por la Junta de Gobierno de la Universidad (07/2024). El precio es adicional a los honorarios por el cuarto curso de ICADE.

#### 5. Bar examination en Estados Unidos

Cada estado de Estados Unidos establece sus propios requisitos para los candidatos al examen de acceso a la abogacía (bar examination). Estos requisitos pueden cambiar cada cierto tiempo. Es importante que los alumnos interesados en presentarse al New York Bar examination comprueben con la universidad de destino que el programa de LL.M. reúne los requisitos de cualificación académica establecidos por las autoridades del Estado de Nueva York para acceder al New York Bar examination.