

LLM Courses for Specialization in Cross-Border and Regional Practice

LAW 242	International Arbitration, Negotiations, and Dispute Settlement	5 u.	This highly practice-based course trains lawyers for the substantive and procedural laws and treaties governing international commercial and investment arbitration, including techniques on effective oral and written advocacy, presentation of evidence, provisional measures, recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards. The course also incorporates techniques for multi-party negotiations prior to or pending arbitration, and other dispute settlement procedures such as conciliation, mediation, mini-trials, among others.
LAW 243	Cross-Border Legal Ethics	3 u.	This course focuses on recurring issues of legal ethics in cross-border legal practice, including managing and avoiding conflicts of interest in cross-border client representation, client confidentiality and required disclosures, structuring fees, and discharging concurrent responsibilities to courts, clients, and the general public. The course will use practical case studies in a laboratory format that encourages students to explore ethical solutions for the client.
LAW 245	International Banking and Finance Law	4 u.	This course focuses on the study of the principles of international commercial, trust, and investment banking law and regulations. It will examine cross-border and domestic laws affecting retail banking relationships and investment and trust relationships in international private banks, the regulation of financial markets, as well as the laws regulating international finance transactions of private entities raising debt financing in international debt and capital markets.
LAW 246	International Project Finance	5 u.	This course scrutinizes the legal structuring, contract and bond documentation for project financing, particularly in the areas of energy, telecommunications, shipping, aviation, transportation, infrastructure (public-private partnerships), and natural resources (mining, oil, and gas). The course will compare and contrast approaches to structuring, financing, project oversight, debt defaults, and workouts based on English law, New York law, individual laws of ASEAN countries, and Islamic finance law.
LAW 247	International Trade and Investment Law	5 u.	This course examines the structure and substance of multilateral, plurilateral, regional, and bilateral treaties, international agreements governing the world trading system and the international investment system, the dispute resolution mechanisms separately available under trade law regimes and investment law regimes, and the corresponding jurisprudence of the WTO dispute settlement panels and the Appellate Body and investor-State arbitration tribunals.
LAW 248	International Intellectual Property Law	4 u.	This course examines intersecting multilateral and bilateral agreements, and harmonization of national laws, in the areas of intellectual property laws governing patent, copyrights, trademarks, trade secrets, licensing, domain names and software, and technological innovations. This course also explores issues of cross-border intellectual property enforcement and regulatory interests, such as those on preservation and access to traditional knowledge, privacy and data mining, public health and access to essential medicines, among others.
LAW 249	International Taxation	3 u.	This course applies tax principles under foreign laws to a multi-country, multi-jurisdictional transaction to evaluate and assess tax consequences for various multinational entities in the sample transactions/case studies. It examines the role of tax treaties and international agreements in preventing double taxation and ensuring the harmonization and coordination of tax rules between different tax jurisdictions.

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LAW 252	Cross-Border Securities Regulation Law	3 u.	This course examines principles that determine the applicable national law to different transnational securities transactions, such as the law applicable to public offerings, registration, transfers or pledges of securities, swaps, among others, and the regulation of financial intermediaries trading in securities. It compares US Securities Laws with securities regulation models in Singapore, the European Union, and Hong Kong, as well as applicable ASEAN jurisdictions.
LAW 253	International Insolvency Law	2 u.	This course focuses on the key principles governing international insolvency rules in various jurisdictions (e.g. the United States, Europe, ASEAN jurisdictions, and other country case studies), and examines policies on creditor-debtor protection, insolvency workouts, corporate reorganizations, stays on claimants, stays on creditors, creditor attachments, the management of insolvency proceedings, rescue priorities, creditor priorities, among others.
LAW 254	Contract Drafting for Cross-border Business Transactions	2 u.	This course employs a practice-based approach to the drafting, review, and revision of complex commercial contracts, intended to sharpen lawyer's skills for crossborder contract documentation.
LAW 255	Cross-Border Mergers and Acquisitions Law	3 u.	This course compares US, European, Hong Kong, and Singapore laws on cross-border mergers and acquisitions, and assesses merger and acquisition developments in ASEAN jurisdictions with practical case studies that identify regulatory compliance issues, required disclosures, and explores the suitability of various strategies for client needs.