



UNIVERSITY OF
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School of Law

Post-Graduate Law Programs

2011-2012

A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITY

With modern facilities situated in a world-class city, there is no better place to study law than at the University of San Francisco. Perched on the edge of the Pacific Rim, the San Francisco Bay Area's legal and business market offers unparalleled externship and career opportunities. Home to Silicon Valley, leading international law firms and corporations, and state and federal courts, the region is the business and financial capital of the West Coast of the United States. This environment offers rich opportunities for observing American law in action.

MASTER OF LAWS PROGRAMS

International Transactions
and Comparative Law for
Foreign Lawyers

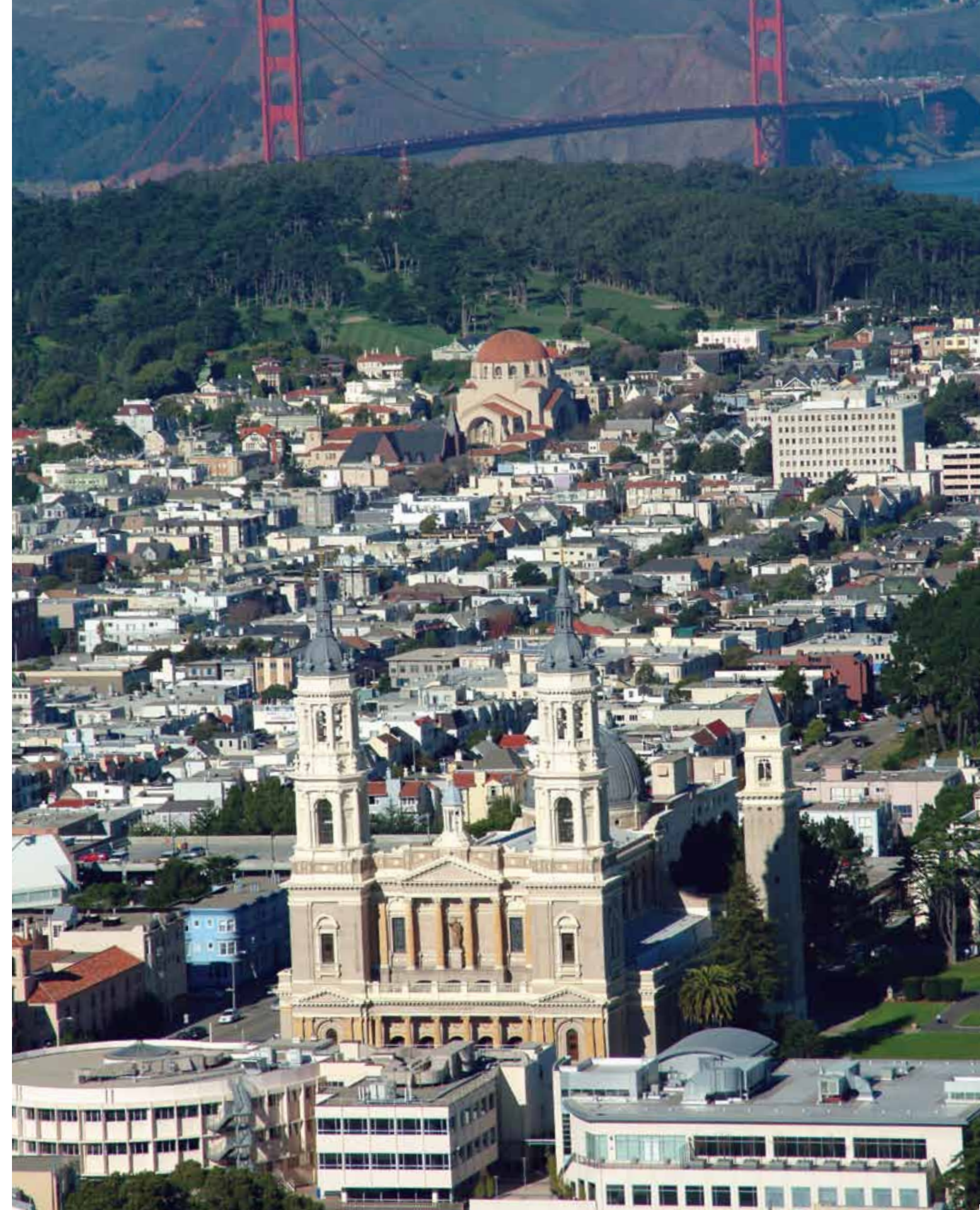
Intellectual Property and
Technology Law for Foreign
and U.S. Lawyers



The USF School of Law, founded in 1912 and accredited by the American Bar Association, offers a rigorous education with a global perspective within a diverse, supportive community. Our professors bring to the classroom the highest educational credentials, substantial practical

experience, and an underlying dedication to teaching, scholarship, and service. They are respected authors, researchers, and legal theorists who collaborate with students on research and writing. Our students are among the most ethnically diverse of any law school in the United States, and Master of Laws students are integrated into many of the Juris Doctor courses.

The law school is housed in the Koret Law Center, one of the most modern law school facilities in America. The center includes the technologically advanced Dorraine Zief Law Library and Kendrick Hall, which is home to classrooms, offices, and student lounges.



LLM IN INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS AND COMPARATIVE LAW COURSES

Required

American Legal System I & II

Recommended

Comparative Law

International Business Transactions

International Civil Dispute Resolution

International Economic Relations

International Human Rights Law

Public International Law

Electives*

Antitrust

Constitutional Law

Contracts

Corporations

Criminal Law

Employment Discrimination

Environmental Law

Evidence

Immigration Law

Labor Law

Maritime Law

Patent Law

Property

Torts

*Sample courses



MASTER OF LAWS PROGRAMS

The USF School of Law offers two Master of Laws programs. Both are open to students and practitioners who have received a law degree from a university outside the United States and who speak English fluently. Candidates for the **LLM in International Transactions and Comparative Law** may choose to focus on international commercial and business transactions law, international human rights law, or an in-depth study of a particular area of U.S. law. The **LLM in Intellectual Property and Technology Law**, which is also open to U.S. students with law degrees, focuses on American and international law in the intellectual property field.

LLM in International Transactions and Comparative Law

Students in the Master of Laws in International Transactions and Comparative Law program choose to specialize in one of two areas. The first option is to focus on the law relating to international business and commercial transactions or international human rights law. Students who select the second option focus on an area of American law as the subject of a comparative law study. Completion of either option leads to the LLM degree. Students pursuing either track may tailor their education by selecting from many recommended and elective courses. The only required courses for this program are American Legal System I and II, which include visits to state and federal courts in San Francisco.

Your Course of Study

Both LLM degree programs require completion of 25 units (with a maximum of 30 units) and can be completed in two full-time semesters (August through May). A part-time option is available with approval from the program director. LLM students and JD students enroll in the same courses with the exception of the American Legal System I and II courses, which are offered exclusively to foreign LLM students.

Graduates of the LLM programs may be eligible to take the bar examination in California and other states. Requirements vary by state and include factors such as membership in another bar and bar-related courses taken during the nine-month LLM program. International students in the IP program will need to complete more than 25 units if planning to take the bar exam.

Advantage of a USF Legal Education

Combined enrollment for both LLM degrees is approximately 25 students each year, and the law school provides a supportive environment to help students reach their educational and career goals. Students attend hearings at the California Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and a local jury trial. All LLM students benefit from individual counseling with a faculty member and career planning services. In addition, the unique **LLM Mentor Program** facilitates one-on-one mentor relationships between international students and USF law school alumni who are practicing attorneys specializing in a variety of legal fields. Mentors discuss the current economic conditions, job prospects for LLM graduates in the region, and career planning.

The LLM programs begin with an orientation week for foreign students. During this time, students will begin American Legal System I and become acquainted with the law school, library, computer center, and other university facilities and services. Students also receive instruction in basic research skills, meet individually with the program director to finalize their course of study, complete registration, and explore San Francisco.



LLM in Intellectual Property and Technology Law

The LLM in Intellectual Property and Technology Law offers a concentrated study of U.S. and international laws in intellectual property and related disciplines. The program, open to both foreign and U.S. students, equips graduates with the legal theory and practical skills necessary to work in the intellectual property field. Of the 25 units needed for the IP degree, 18 units must be from IP courses and include six units from the core courses. Students are required to complete an advanced seminar in intellectual property, which includes research and writing components. International students must also complete the American Legal System courses and can take three units of non-IP courses.

LLM IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY LAW COURSES

Required

American Legal System I & II (foreign students only)

IP Seminar

Core Courses

Copyright Law

Cyberspace Law

IP Survey

Patent Law

Trademark Law

Electives*

Antitrust

Biotechnology Law

Comparative Law

Entertainment & Media Law

Information Privacy Law

Intellectual Property Litigation

International Business Transactions

International Economic Transactions

International Intellectual Property

Law of Communications & the Press

Patent Licensing

Patent Prosecution

Sports Law

Technology Contracting

Transactional Trademark Practice

*Sample courses



CONNIE DE LA VEGA
Professor and Academic Director of International Programs — BA, Scripps College; JD, University of California, Berkeley



DAVID J. FRANKLYN
Professor, Director of the LLM program in Intellectual Property and Technology Law, and Director of the McCarthy Institute for Intellectual Property and Technology Law — BA, Evangel College; JD, University of Michigan



REZA R. DIBADJ
Professor — SB, MBA, JD, Harvard University



FACULTY ENRICH ACADEMIC PROGRAM

An accomplished faculty of dedicated teachers and noted scholars is the foundation of the USF School of Law’s academic program. The full-time faculty is complemented by a large group of adjunct, visiting, and emeriti professors. They include federal and state judges, attorneys from public agencies, partners in leading international law firms, and in-house counsel for multi-national corporations.

CONNIE DE LA VEGA

Professor de la Vega, who is originally from Mexico, has written extensively on international human rights and participated in United Nations human rights meetings. She has submitted amicus briefs detailing international law standards to U.S. courts in affirmative action and death penalty cases. De la Vega is co-author of *International Human Rights Law: An Introduction* and *The American Legal System* (forthcoming). She teaches American Legal System, International Human Rights Law, and the International Human Rights Clinic. She has directed the LLM program since 2005, and has taught international human rights in other countries, including China.

DAVID J. FRANKLYN

Professor Franklyn is author of numerous scholarly articles on trademark issues, and is co-author of *McCarthy’s Desk Encyclopedia of Intellectual Property*. In 2008, he presented at a U.S. Department of Commerce conference on intellectual property rights enforcement in Beijing, China. Franklyn previously clerked for the U.S. District Court of Eastern Michigan. He also spent five years in private practice in Chicago, and later taught at Northern Kentucky University. Franklyn teaches Copyright, Intellectual Property, Intellectual Property Theory, International Intellectual Property, and Trademark Law.

REZA R. DIBADJ

Professor Dibadj writes about corporate and securities law, antitrust, regulation and administrative law, and social welfare theory. The first theme emerging in his writing involves the application of new tools, such as network theory, to legal analysis. The second is an exploration of how the modalities of government intervention can be improved to mediate the increasingly complex intersection of democracy and capitalism. Dibadj is author of *Rescuing Regulation*, and numerous academic articles and op-ed pieces. He teaches Corporations, International Business Transactions, and Securities Regulation.

DOLORES A. DONOVAN

Professor Donovan specializes in constitutional and comparative law. Her publications deal with the legal systems of developing nations and criminal justice systems. Her articles can be found in domestic and foreign law journals, ranging from peer-reviewed publications such as the *American Journal of Comparative Law* to the *Ethiopian Law Review*. Donovan is a consultant to foundations and government international development agencies. She was the South Asia regional senior equity advisor to the U.S. Agency for International Development, a senior Fulbright professor in Ethiopia, a visiting scholar at Harvard Law School, and a visiting professor at the East China Institute of Politics and Law.

SUSAN FREIWALD

Professor Freiwald is an expert in cyberlaw and information privacy who has published articles in numerous legal journals. A former software developer, Freiwald has authored and co-authored amicus briefs in major cases

involving electronic surveillance laws. She regularly assists the Electronic Frontier Foundation with electronic surveillance litigation efforts and has served on the board of the Northern California American Civil Liberties Union. Freiwald teaches Contracts, Cyberspace Law, and Information Privacy Law.

JACK I. GARVEY

Professor Garvey has taught at the law school since 1976, and specializes in public and private international law. His work can be found in numerous domestic and foreign law journals including *The Yale Law Journal* and the *Oxford Journal of Conflict and Security Law*. Garvey is an arbitrator and consultant to law firms. He was a fellow of the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva, Switzerland; a Fulbright senior specialist at the University of the State of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; and a visiting professor at the University of Sydney, Australia, and the East China Institute of Politics and Law. He teaches Contracts, Public International Law, and International Civil Dispute Resolution.

JESSE W. MARKHAM JR.

Before joining USF, Professor Markham guided the antitrust departments of Morrison & Foerster and Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe. He is widely published on antitrust law in scholarly and bar publications. Markham has practiced corporate law in Paris, France, with the firm Clifford Chance. He has assisted Russia, the Ukraine, the People’s Republic of China, and Mongolia in the implementation of their antitrust laws. He has served as director of the law school’s summer programs in Vietnam and Prague. Markham teaches Antitrust Law, Corporations, and Civil Procedure.



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JULIANNE CARTWRIGHT TRAYLOR

Associate Director, International Programs (center)

SUSAN R. MENDELSON

Director, LLM Mentor Program (right)

ANNA ABBOTT

Program Assistant, International Programs (left)

COUNTRIES REPRESENTED
IN RECENT LLM CLASSES

- Armenia
- Bulgaria
- Burkina Faso
- Cambodia
- Cameroon
- Canada
- China
- Croatia
- Czech Republic
- El Salvador
- Ethiopia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Hungary
- India
- Italy
- Korea
- Luxembourg
- Mexico
- Nepal
- Nigeria
- Philippines
- Serbia
- Slovakia
- Sweden
- Taiwan
- Thailand
- Turkey
- Uganda
- United Kingdom
- United States
- Venezuela

THE USF SCHOOL OF LAW EXPERIENCE

Small class sizes that ensure a high level of individual attention as well as activities and services offered by the law school and university community will enrich your educational experience. Studying at USF, which is located in the center of one of the world’s most dynamic cities, offers vast opportunities for career growth and innumerable entertainment diversions.



Student Life and Services

The law school sponsors frequent panels, guest speakers, and special programs that provide opportunities for students to network with faculty, alumni, members of the bench and the bar, and visiting dignitaries. These events include monthly Justice Forums, symposia, and the Public Interest Law Foundation Gala Auction and Award Ceremony. LLM students are also encouraged to join the many student organizations sponsored by the law school.

Our students enjoy the cultural, recreational, and social programs and services available to the wider university community. The University of San Francisco, which enrolls nearly 9,000 students, sits on a stunning 55-acre campus and features a main library and learning center, several dining facilities, and a fitness center complete with an Olympic-size pool, basketball courts, and fitness equipment. USF’s comprehensive program for students also includes health counseling, housing, and disability services.

ANA VALENZUELA
Class of 2007 | San Salvador, El Salvador

Since earning an LLM in Intellectual Property and Technology Law, Ana Valenzuela has worked in the legal department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of El Salvador, in the international/commercial group of an international law firm, and in the El Salvador District Attorney’s Office. She is currently the consul general of El Salvador based in San Francisco.

“Having an LLM degree from USF has helped me tremendously in my career. Studying at USF was a great experience for me not only professionally, but also personally.”



XUEFANG HUANG
Class of 2010 | Beijing, China

Equipped with a USF LLM degree, Xuefang Huang worked for a New York City law firm and passed the New York bar examination after graduation. She recently returned to China to work as a trademark lawyer at King & Wood.

SHOURJYO MUKHERJEE
Class of 2009 | Hyderabad, India

“The course structure and faculty at USF were excellent. I had an enriching academic experience and grew in leaps and bounds professionally.”

RUDOLF LESKA
Class of 2011 | Prague, Czech Republic

Before obtaining a LLM in Intellectual Property and Technology Law at USF, Rudolf Leska earned a Magister law degree and worked at Vyskočil Krošlák a spol, a Prague firm specializing in copyright, media, and entertainment law. Leska has returned to Vyskočil Krošlák a spol and is completing his doctoral studies at Charles University.

“I studied under the direction of prominent scholars and practitioners in small classes. Outside the classroom, the city itself gave me a unique opportunity to establish valuable professional contacts.”



SIMON DOGNIMA SILUE
Class of 2007 | Abidjan, Ivory Coast

Simon Dognima Silue received both license and maitrise degrees in public law from the University of Cocody in the Ivory Coast, as well as a specialized studies diploma in business law. Before attending USF as a Fulbright fellow, he passed the bar exam and practiced law in the Ivory Coast. Silue has returned to the Ivory Coast and practices international business law.

Location and Opportunity

The USF School of Law is located in a classic San Francisco residential neighborhood, complete with ornate Victorian homes and Golden Gate views. The city is an extension of the campus and plays a vital role in the overall educational experience. The law school is located minutes away from the Civic Center, home to federal, state, and local government agencies and federal and state courts, including the California Supreme Court. The San Francisco Bay Area provides unsurpassed learning, externship, and service opportunities to complement the LLM academic program.

When it’s time to unwind, our backyard is Golden Gate Park—a favorite spot for running, cycling, or studying in the afternoon sun. Cafés, restaurants, clubs, and all the fun of city life are at your doorstep. Entertainment options are limitless, from ballet, opera, theater, and symphony to the Chinese New Year Parade and other cultural events. No wonder San Francisco is the number one tourist destination in the United States—as a student at USF you will call it home.

APPLY ONLINE www.usfca.edu/law/llm/admissions

APPLICATION DEADLINE The priority deadline for applications is February 15.

ADMISSION TO THE USF SCHOOL OF LAW LLM PROGRAMS

The USF School of Law Master of Laws programs seek to admit a diverse group of students who are among the most capable lawyers from countries throughout the world. The basic requirements for eligibility to the LLM programs are a first degree in law and fluency in English. The priority application deadline for August admission is February 15. The admission committee reviews files in the order they are completed, on a rolling basis. Therefore, it is to the applicant's advantage to submit the complete application with supporting materials as early as possible. Applicants will be reviewed once all required documents and the application fee have been received.

REQUIRED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

1. Application Form.

2. \$70 Application Fee. Payment must be in U.S. dollars by check drawn on an American bank or in the form of an international money order payable to the "USF Bursar." If you are applying electronically through the Law School Admission Council (LSAC), you may also pay by credit card.

3. Personal Statement. The statement of approximately two pages should discuss your reasons for applying to the USF LLM program as well as your work experience, education, background, career goals, and other pertinent information. If applying electronically via LSAC, your personal statement can be submitted as an electronic attachment.

4. Two Letters of Recommendation. Letters should be from university professors or employers and must be printed on letterhead,

signed, and submitted in sealed envelopes.

5. Certification of Finances.

Foreign applicants must submit the Certification of Finances Form and supporting documents, showing funds covering the nine months of study at the university. Certification may be submitted either with your application or after you are admitted. Submitting a copy of your passport identity page with the completed certification will shorten the amount of time needed for USF to process the I-20 document required to apply for a U.S. student visa.

6. Financial Aid. Financial aid may be offered to a few international applicants demonstrating financial need and outstanding academic achievement who would otherwise be unable to pay for the LLM program. Those applicants must submit a separate written statement with their application materials that provides details on their finances, including the amount and sources of funding

available to support their USF studies. No financial aid application will be considered without this information.

7. Transcripts. Transcripts from all colleges and universities you have attended should show your grades, your approximate class rank, and any degree received. If the degree received is not printed on the transcript you must provide a copy of the diploma certificate. If not in English, transcripts and diplomas must be accompanied by an English translation. The transcripts must be sent directly to the USF School of Law Office of Admissions in sealed envelopes by your university.

8. LSAT Scores (for U.S. applicants only).

9. English Language Requirement. Strong English language ability is a prerequisite to admission. For foreign students whose native language is not English, this requirement may be satisfied by having completed basic legal

studies in an English-speaking country and university or by taking the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and receiving a score of 600 PBT/100 IBT or higher. Use school code 479203 to ensure your score will be forwarded to the USF School of Law. An overall band score of 7.0 or higher on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) is also acceptable. Applicants who present a TOEFL between 575-600 PBT/90-100 IBT, or an IELTS score of 6.5 to 7.0, may be conditionally admitted. These students are required to complete a six-week summer English program at USF.

Application documents that are not in English, including transcripts and letters of recommendation, must be accompanied by an English translation.

Complete information on tuition and financial aid is available at www.usfca.edu/law/llm/tuition and www.usfca.edu/law/llm/financialaid.



79
Number of Countries Represented by all Program Graduates



100
Ranked Among the Top 100 Law Schools by U.S. News and World Report

219th
Ranked the 19th Most Diverse Law Student Body by U.S. News and World Report

Number of USF LLM Alumni Around the World



\$40,464
2011-2012 Tuition



12th
Ranked the 12th Most Diverse Law Faculty by the National Jurist



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