

Conflict and Dispute Resolution (LLM)

The Conflict and Dispute Resolution (CDR) Law track in the LLM program at the University of Oregon School of Law is designed for students who want to specialize in alternative dispute resolution and gain a deeper understanding of the legal framework that governs conflict resolution in the United States. The program is intended to provide students with the knowledge and skills they need to address complex disputes and work effectively with clients in this field.

The program consists of a series of courses that cover various areas of conflict and dispute resolution, including negotiation, mediation, arbitration, and international dispute resolution.

Students can also choose to participate in the school's mediation clinic, which provides hands-on experience working on real cases under the supervision of experienced attorneys.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Integrate and apply a broad range of theoretical concepts, processes, skills, and strategies to analyze, prevent, manage, and resolve conflicts.
- Understand the contexts in which conflicts occur and apply to them the appropriate conflict and dispute resolution theory and skills.
- Facilitate, lead, and engage in constructive communication and collaborative problem-solving in a variety of interpersonal, cross-cultural, and intra-and inter-institutional settings.
- Recognize, understand, acknowledge, and address the role of power, difference, and inequity in conflict.
- Demonstrate deepened and self-reflective skills in critical thinking, research, writing, ethics, and the craft of conflict management.

Conflict and Dispute Resolution Requirements

For JD degree holders

Code	Title	Credits
LAW 780	LLM Seminar: Writing	2
LAW 781	LLM Seminar: In Practice	2
Core courses		11-12
Elective courses in conflict and dispute resolution		8-10
Total Credits		23-26

For non-JD degree holders

Code	Title	Credits
LAW 780	LLM Seminar: Writing	2
LAW 781	LLM Seminar: In Practice	2
Core courses		14-16
Elective courses in conflict and dispute resolution		4-6
Total Credits		22-26

Additional Requirements

- Students who hold a law degree from a non-U.S. institution of higher education are required to take a 2-credit introductory course in American law and a 2-credit course in advanced persuasive legal writing as part of their degree requirements. Depending on a student's course selection and course availability, a student who is required to take these two courses may take more than 24 credits.
- LLM Seminar: Writing (LAW 780) and LLM Seminar: In Practice (LAW 781) are required for all students, providing education on topics of current concern. The students also work to improve their skills in making presentations, drafting articles, legal research, drafting transaction documents, and working collaboratively.
- Master of laws students must complete a written comprehensive paper or project in connection with one of the required concentration-specific courses or as a concentration-focused, independent-study legal research and writing course under the supervision of a faculty advisor.

Full information may be found on the program website (<https://law.uoregon.edu/programs/LLM/>).