

American Law (LLM)

The American Law track in the LLM program at the University of Oregon School of Law is designed for international lawyers who want to gain a deeper understanding of American law and the American legal system. The program is intended to provide students with the tools they need to practice law in a global context, with a particular emphasis on the United States.

The program consists of two required courses (Introduction to American Law & Practice and LLM Advanced and Persuasive Legal Writing, 5 credits total). The remaining credits (19) needed to complete the LLM program can be achieved through any of the courses offered at the Law School unless restricted to JD students. This flexible LLM track allows students to design a course of study that reflects their interests and/or career needs. Students in this track seeking to sit for the bar exam in a US Jurisdiction may elect the US Bar Preparation Concentration, which prescribes a set of core doctrinal courses specifically designed to satisfy Washington State's bar eligibility coursework requirements.

Program Learning Outcomes

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

- Demonstrate the knowledge and ability necessary to practice substantive and procedural law and understand the dynamic processes through which law is created, developed, and changed by completing an organized program of courses in a selected specialization.
- Employ sound and articulate legal reasoning to identify, research, and analyze legal problems.
- Communicate effectively with clients, decision-makers, and other relevant stakeholders.
- Recognize the responsibility of lawyers to serve as informed and professional leaders.
- Appreciate the critical role that lawyers play in ensuring meaningful access to the legal system, promoting the just application of its laws, and serving their clients and the community.
- Learn how lawyers work together by demonstrating team lawyering skills, managing conflict, and forging relationships.

American Law Requirements

One-Year Program

Code	Title	Credits
LAW 782	Introduction to American Law and Practice	3
LAW 783	LLM Advanced and Persuasive Legal Writing	2
Track Specific Courses in American Law		15
Elective Courses		4
Total Credits		24

Additional Requirements

- Master of laws students must complete a written comprehensive paper or project in connection with one of the required courses.
- Students in the general American Law major will enroll in JD courses necessary to meet the requirements to sit for the bar in a particular

jurisdiction or based on their individual academic and professional career goals.