INTERNATIONAL LL.M. AND S.J.D. DEGREES

As far back as the late 1940s, SMU had the vision to become a global law center long before the trend toward international legal studies. For seven decades, the Law School has offered graduate degree programs for both U.S. and foreign trained lawyers.

Our **LL.M.** and **S.J.D. Degree Programs** enhance careers in the private practice of law, teaching, and public service by teaching analysis and problem-solving skills for meeting the complex demands of our world. The programs increase the student’s understanding of legal theory and policies, broaden the student’s legal horizons, and encourage the development of legal research and writing skills. Whether a domestic or foreign student, at SMU, the student will benefit from our extensive experience curriculum and expertise in international law. See [http://www.law.smu.edu/admissions/graduate-programs](http://www.law.smu.edu/admissions/graduate-programs).
Martin Camp (JD ’79), Assistant Dean for Graduate and International Programs, and Bobbye Heine, Assistant Director for Graduate Legal Programs currently oversee these graduate degree programs in conjunction with the Law School’s Faculty Committee on Graduate Legal Studies and Dean Jennifer Collins. At January 1, 2017, there were 60 international LLM students from 24 countries and 7 SJD students registered.

The LL.M. degree for Foreign Law School Graduates is a one-year, full-time program for students who hold a basic law degree from a recognized international law school. Students enrolled in this degree program must complete 24 credit hours including the required two-credit course in Perspectives of the American Legal System. The remaining courses are elective and offer a wide range of choices. Students have the freedom to choose from a wide array of classes and can design their LL.M. degree to meet their needs and goals in studying in the United States. Students desiring to take a bar examination in Texas, New York or California can take classes required to qualify to sit for those exams. Other students may want to specialize in international studies or in other areas of the law. To date, our Law School has over 2200 alums in over 100 countries.

A primary goal of this program is to enhance the international student's legal skills so that he or she may become a more effective lawyer and member of society. In this respect the program seeks to develop:

- an appreciation of the role of law in national and international development
- the ability to identify, through comparative and international studies, policy considerations of various legal rules
- an appreciation of the role of the lawyer in social and economic change
- legal analysis and problem solving abilities to enable the student to meet the complex needs of our modern world
- a basic understanding of the U.S. legal system, as studied from a comparative perspective
- a frame of reference for dealing with business and legal interests in a transnational setting.

In addition, our Law School offers a General LL.M. Program for law graduates, who already have a recognized common-law law degree, an opportunity to broaden their backgrounds in certain specialized areas of law by enrolling in advanced courses and seminars and by engaging in specialized research. Although the School of Law awards no specific subject designated LL.M. degrees under this program, most students seeking this degree concentrate in areas such as corporate and commercial law and international law. Students in this program are provided a full-time Faculty adviser who is expert in the student’s area of concentration.

Doctor of Juridical Science (S.J.D.) The degree of Doctor of Juridical Science (S.J.D.) is the highest post-graduate law degree offered by the Dedman School of Law. The S.J.D is primarily a research and writing degree (as opposed to a course-oriented degree such as the LL.M. degree) during which the S.J.D. candidate conducts extensive postgraduate-level legal research with a view toward submitting an acceptable doctoral dissertation of publishable quality within a five-year period. This program is a limited access program intended for highly qualified
candidates seeking a legal academic career or a high level, policy-oriented governmental or inter-governmental position. See http://www.law.smu.edu/admissions/graduate-programs/sjd.

**INTERNATIONAL COURSE OFFERINGS**

The Law School offers a robust international and comparative law curriculum that includes both basic and highly specialized courses. Moreover, students have the option to take many of these courses in more intimate edited writing seminars. Courses include:

- International Law
- Comparative Law I
- Comparative Law II courses offered as Oxford tutorials
- Comparative Law II: Doing Business in China
- Comparative Law II: Law of Treaties
- Conflict of Laws
- Banking Law: Domestic and International
- European Union Law
- Extraterritorial Jurisdiction
- Immigration Law
- International & Foreign Legal Research
- International Business & Financial Transactions
- International Crimes
- International Economic Law & Development
- International Environmental Law
- International Franchising Law
- International Humanitarian Law/Law of Armed Conflict
- International Intellectual Property
- International and Foreign Legal Research
- International Litigation & Arbitration
- International Petroleum Transactions
- International Protection of Human Rights
- International Tax I
- International Tax II
- Perspectives on Counter-Terrorism.

The Law School also offers the possibility of engaging in Faculty-supervised **Directed Research** in a range of international subject-matter.

In addition, the Law School conducts an innovative **Corporate Counsel Externship** with over 50 major corporations (many of which have international operations, a number of which conduct significant multinational operations. Further, each year a number of Faculty members supervise students doing **general writing** or **edited writing research papers in the international and comparative law area.**
LAW LIBRARY

SMU’s Underwood Law Library is the largest private academic law library west of the Mississippi River. Its collections include approximately 665,000 law-related volumes and equivalents, ranking the library among the top 20% of law libraries in the United States. Combined with the resources of SMU’s other libraries, more than 4 million volumes are available to our faculty and students, comprising the largest private research library collection in Texas.

The Law Library provides to its users outstanding research collections in each major subject area of international, foreign, and comparative law. There are several endowed funds that support this collection, particularly in:

- transnational business law
- comparative labor and employment law
- air, space, and deep seabed law
- oil, gas and energy law
- comparative medical and health care law
- comparative free speech and media law
- worldwide legal history and legal biography.

The Law Library’s databases cover both public international law (such as Hein’s World Treaty Library and the Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law) and Underwood Law Library subscribes to various databases focused on specific topics (such as World Constitutions Illustrated), regions (such as the InterAm database covering Latin American countries and Canada), and particular jurisdictions (such as ChinaLawInfo and Israel Law Reports). The Underwood Law Library has a foreign, comparative, and international law librarian to provide SMU’s students and faculty with access to the leading resources that are critically important for their research. All databases are accessible from any location with a computer and Internet connection.

Sir Joseph Gold Collection. The Joseph Gold Collection includes the professional papers and library of the iconic international monetary scholar, Sir Joseph Gold. Sir Joseph served as a member of the Legal Department of the International Monetary Fund from 1946 to 1960, as General Counsel and Director of the Legal Department from 1960 to 1979, and as Senior Consultant to the Fund thereafter. Born on July 12, 1912, he was educated at Harvard and London Universities. He was a founding member of the SMU Institute of International Banking and Finance. Sir Joseph regularly visited SMU to participate in conferences and to deliver
course lectures. In 1986, he was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree by our University. That same year he delivered the University graduation address on the topic, "Rationality in Economic and Monetary Relations: the Role of the Academy and International Institutions." In 1997, Sir Joseph Gold participated in the Law School's 50th Anniversary Celebration of its International Program. He passed away on February 22, 2000, at the age of 87. Sir Joseph's papers are housed in the "Gold Room," a specially designated space on the fourth floor of the Underwood Law Library. We are honored that Sir Joseph Gold chose SMU to be the recipient of his distinguished collection, which represents a lifetime of scholarship. See http://library.law.smu.edu_Collections/Sir-Joseph-Gold-Collection.

McKnight Antiquarian Book Collection. This collection consists of more than 7,000 volumes, and almost as many titles, of antiquarian and historical legal materials collected by Professor Joseph W. McKnight. Collection strengths include United States, British, and Continental treatises, and British, French, and Italian decisions. There also is a substantial emphasis on Continental customary law and lawyers' published opinions (consilia). Most materials pre-date 1800, and a large proportion of those are in Latin. The earliest printed item in the McKnight collection is a canon and civil law textbook, Niccolò de' Tudeschi’s Lectura Super V Libros Decretalium, printed in Basel by Johann Besicken in 1481. Professor McKnight, a graduate of Columbia and Oxford University, was a leading international and comparative legal historian and was responsible for the establishment of our Oxford Summer Program. See http://library.law.smu.edu_Collections/Rare-Book-Collection.

DISTINGUISHED INTERNATIONAL ALUMNI

In 1952, the first international graduate students were admitted. To date, we have over 2000 international graduates from over 100 countries, many of whom have gone on to great renown in their home countries. For example, Julio César Cueto Rúa (LL.M. 1953) introduced the study of the Anglo-American legal tradition to Argentina as a Professor at the University of Buenos Aires. The Hon. Hernando Gómez of Colombia (LL.M. 1957) served as the President of the Constitutional Tribunal of the Colombian Supreme Court of Justice, as Minister of Development for the Republic of Colombia, and as the founding dean of the law school at the University of the Andes in Bogota. The Hon. S.M. Krishna of India (LL.M. 1959) became India’s Minister for External Affairs after previously serving as Governor of the State of Maharashtra and Chief Minister of the State of Karnataka. Other distinguished international SMU Law alumni include Hon. Helmut Sohmen, OBE (LL.M. 1966), Hong Kong businessman, legislator and philanthropist; the Hon. Sobchok Sukharomna (LL.M. 1981), former President of the Supreme Court of Thailand; Tsai Hong-tu (J.D. 1978), chair of Cathay Financial Holdings in Taiwan; Antonio Garza (J.D. 1983), former U.S. Ambassador to Mexico and current partner at White & Case in Mexico City; the Hon. Jinsung Lee (LL.M. 1988), Justice of the Constitutional Court of Korea; Justice H. Harjono, founding Justice of Constitutional Court of Indonesia; Héctor A. Mairal (LL.M. 1963), founding partner of the largest law firm in Argentina (Marval, O’Farrell &
Mairal); Dr Diego Bunge (LLM 1978), founding director of Graduate Banking Program, University of Buenos Aires; Dr. Shen Shiaoming (LLM 1981), first PRC woman law graduate in USA; Claudia F. Prado (LL.M. 1986), partner and chair of the Latin America Regional Council for Baker & McKenzie; Siriporn Chaiyasuta (LLM 1985), General Counsel, Chevron; and Mr. Pablo Clusellas (JD 1987), legal secretary to the President of Argentina. In addition, three Supreme Court Justices in Japan are out alums: Justice Hideo Chikusa, Justice Shigeharu Negishi, and Justice Yukio Horigome.

FACULTY EXPERTISE

The following are Faculty members (by last name) and their respective area(s) of international expertise: Colangelo (private and public international law and theory); Coleman (global energy law); Cortez (emerging market health law); Gaba (international environment law); Hanna (international taxation); Jenks (international humanitarian law and law of armed conflict and national security law); Kahn (Russian Legal System and National Security Law); Lowe (international petroleum law and contracts); Martinez (comparative critical race and immigration theories and practices); Mazur (international taxation); Nanasi (humanitarian immigration law); Norton (international business, banking and finance and international economic development law); Robinson (Intellectual Property and Technology law); Rogers (international antitrust laws); Steinberg (international securities regulation); Tate (comparative legal history); Taylor (Intellectual Property and Technology law); Thornburg (comparative civil procedure law); Turner (international criminal law, comparative criminal procedure, public international law, and European Union law); and Winship (international commercial law and admiralty law). In addition, the Law School has Adjunct Faculty members with additional expertise in such areas as international franchise law, Chinese law, and dispute resolution; and has Emeriti Faculty with expertise in foreign law (Bridge), anti-corruption law and international dispute resolution (Kofele-Kale), international taxation (Lischer), international development law (Carl), and comparative labor law (Morris). Further, periodically, the Law School has distinguished international visiting professors. For example, over the past decade, such visitors have come from Argentina, Belgium, China, Germany, India, Peru, and the United Kingdom. For detailed Faculty profiles http://www.law.smu.edu/faculty/faculty-listing.

RECENT FACULTY INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS

Emblematic of the faculty’s cutting-edge international and comparative law works are:

- Professor Chris Jenks’ recent publications and presentations on the law of war, including his article Belligerent Targeting and the Invalidity of a Least Harmful Means Rule, 89 International Law Studies 536 (2013)
• Professor Jeffrey Kahn’s path-breaking scholarship on terrorist watchlists, most comprehensively treated in his book, Mrs. Shipley’s Ghost: The Right to Travel and Terrorist Watchlists (University of Michigan Press, 2013)
• Professor Orly Mazur’s pioneering articles evaluating international taxation of the cloud, Transfer Pricing Challenges in the Cloud, 57 B.C. Law Review 2 (Forthcoming 2016) and Taxing the Cloud, 103 California Law Review 1 (2015)
• Professor Jenia Turner’s innovative work comparing plea-bargaining regimes in the United States and Germany, Pre-Plea Disclosure in Germany and the United States: Open-File and Beyond, 57 William & Mary Law Review (forthcoming 2016)

• Professor Anthony Colangelo’s continuing work on extraterritorial jurisdiction in U.S. and international law, addressed most comprehensively in What is Extraterritorial Jurisdiction?, 99 Cornell Law Review 1303 (2014) and The Frankenstein’s Monster of Extraterritoriality Law, 110 American Journal of International Law Unbound 51 (2016)
• Professor Peter Winship’s recent publication of Cases and Materials on Admiralty, 6th edition (West 2017)

Moreover, just recently, the faculty had two papers independently selected through a blind peer review process for this year’s American Society of International Law Research Forum at the American Society of International Law Midyear Meeting. Professor Anthony Colangelo will present his paper “A Systems Theory of Fragmentation and Harmonization” on the panel entitled International Legal Theory: Sources of International Law. And Professor Jeffrey Kahn will present his paper “Hybrid Warfare, International Humanitarian Law, and the Case of Ukraine” on the panel entitled “Armed Conflict and International Law.”

OTHER RECENT INTERNATIONAL FACULTY ACTIVITIES

• Professor Jenks will be in Washington, DC for the academic year 2017-18 on a one year appointment to serve as Special Counsel to the Department of Defense General Counsel.
• Professor Kahn has been selected as a 2017-2018 Fulbright Research Scholar under the Fulbright-Hays Act, “the basic purpose of which is to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries through educational and cultural exchange.” He will spend the academic year at the Faculty of Law at the University of Oslo, in the PluriCourts Centre, which studies international courts and tribunals. His research will focus on stresses on the current European human rights framework that have been introduced by British and Russian policies toward the European Court of Human Rights, the jurisdiction of which both countries have accepted but also severely criticized or even impeded.
• In January 2017, Professor Norton was appointed, for a five year term, as a Distinguished Visiting Professor at the Peking University Faculty of Law
• In November 2016, Professor Steinberg gave a series of lectures on US and international securities law developments at Cambridge University, U.K. Professor Steinberg is the author of the leading text on International Securities Regulation.

• In May 2016, the University of London held a special one-day Festschrift conference honoring Professor Norton for his contributions to the area of international financial regulation and presented him with a Festschrift volume. Sixty former PhD (law students) and teaching colleagues of Prof. Norton attended. Prof. Charles Goodhardt, CBE, FBA presided over the conference. A special dinner was arranged in the Great Library Room at the Reform Club, with Sir William Blair, the Honourable Chief of the UK High Court Commercial Division serving as toastmaster.

• In 2014-2016 and in celebration of the 800th Anniversary of the Magna Carta, Professor Josh Tate gave a worldwide (over 20 countries) series of lecture on various aspects of the Magna Carta.

• In 2016, Professor Christopher Jenks presented at the United Nations Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons Expert Meeting on Lethal Autonomous Weapons (LAWS) in Geneva, Switzerland. In 2015 he was awarded a Fulbright Scholars Grant to research LAWS as part of the Asia Pacific Center for Military Law's Program on Emerging Military Technology (PREMT) at Melbourne Law School in Australia.

• In March 2016, Professor Jenia Turner gave a lecture on comparative aspects of evidence-taking at the National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan.

• In July 2014, Professor Peter Winship made a presentation on “The Hague Principles, the CISG, and the ‘Battle of Forms’,” at the 17th biennial meeting of the International Academy of Commercial and Consumer Law, Bilgi University, Istanbul.

OXFORD SUMMER PROGRAM AND STUDY ABROAD

Oxford Summer Program. The SMU Dedman School of Law offers, in association with University College, an annual six-week program, at University College. The program includes a one-day tour of “Legal London.” This program is part of SMU’s strong tradition of training lawyers, from the U.S. and abroad, to practice law in a global environment. Over 650 law students have participated in this summer program since its inception. Students earn five hours of credit by taking one course taught by an SMU professor and one Oxford-style tutorial taught by an Oxford tutor. Participants live and take their meals in historic University College, Oxford. See http://www.law.smu.edu/academics/study-abroad-oxford.

Other Study Abroad Opportunities. The Law School, with its worldwide network of institutional connections is in the position to assist interested student in pursuing other international summer or semester study opportunities abroad. In recent years, students have studied in Latin America, Europe, Asia, and Australia.
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT LAW REVIEW ASSOCIATION AND INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS

**International Law Review Association.** The International Law Review Association (ILRA), founded in 1987, comprises 60 dedicated top law students who are dedicated to the facilitation of the editorial and publication processes of three student-run law publications: *The International Lawyer* (TIL); *Law and Business Review of the Americas* (LBRA); and, *The Year In Review*. The ILRA’s Editorial Board is a unified organization dedicated to publishing scholarly works on international law.

**The International Lawyer**, is the quarterly publication of the Section of International Law and Practice of the American Bar Association. The ABA published the inaugural issue in 1966 and SMU has been the proud home of this prestigious journal since 1986. With a worldwide circulation in excess of 20,000 in over 80 countries, The International Lawyer is the most widely distributed U.S. international law review in the world. *The International Lawyer* focuses primarily on practical issues facing lawyers engaged in international practice. Addressing issues such as international trade, licensing, finance, taxation, litigation, and dispute resolution, it has become an authoritative reference for practitioners, judges, and scholars concerned with current legal developments throughout the world. *The International Lawyer* also sponsors various conferences and symposia. SMU Professors Norton, Winship, Attanasio, and now Steinberg have been the Editor-in-Chief of this journal. **Senior Lecturers Beverly Dureus and Patricia Heard** provide invaluable assistance to this publication and of the relate ABA’s international *Year In Review*. **Mr. Robert Rendell**, former President of the ABA’s International Section and an Adjunct Professor of International Business Law at SMU, along with Prof. Norton and **Prof. Werner Ebke** (now at Heidelberg) were the moving forces in originally bringing this journal to our Law School.

**The Law and Business Review of the Americas.** (formerly, *NAFTA: The Law and Business Review of the Americas*) is an interdisciplinary publication addressing the legal, business, economic, political, and social dimensions of the *North American Free Trade Agreement*, its implementation, its evolution and expansion, and its overall impact on doing business in the Americas. This journal is a quarterly publication produced by the SMU Dedman School of Law (and its Law Institute of the Americas) in association with the Section of International Law and Practice of the American Bar Association, the SMU Cox School of Business, the SMU Department of Economics and Political Science, and the Centre for Commercial Law Studies (Queen Mary and Westfield College, University of London).
STUDENT INTERNATIONAL SOCIETIES

**International Law Society**. The Mission Statement of this law student organization is: to promote awareness, study, and understanding of international law and related issues; to encourage communication and cooperation among law students and lawyers internationally; to contribute to legal education; to encourage social responsibility in the field of law; to increase opportunities to learn about other cultures and legal systems worldwide; and to publicize career opportunities in international law.

**Muslim Law Students Association**. The MLSA is an educational, religious, social, and cultural organization. Its goal is to serve the unique interests and needs of SMU Dedman School of Law students interested in the impact of the legal system on the Muslim Community and conversely, the impact of the growing Muslim community on the American and International Legal Systems. The MLSA has educational and social events throughout the semester. Everyone is welcome!

TSAI CENTER

**The Tsai Center for Law, Science and Innovation** is a research-focused academic center, based at the Law School and funded by one the School’s distinguished international alums. The Center exploring how law and policy affect scientific research and discovery as well as the development and commercialization of new technologies. The Tsai Center also explores the converse—how scientific discoveries and new technologies affect ethics, society, private industry, and governmental institutions and agencies. The Tsai Center presents educational programming, facilitates academic research, and provides educational opportunities that engage students and the academic and business communities interested in law, science and innovation. In short, the Tsai Center exists to engage the public, scholars, students, scientists, policymakers, and innovators in consideration of the most pressing questions of science and innovation policy. Though its primary focus id domestic U.S. matter, the Centre frequently addresses cutting edge international and cross-border issues. The Center’s various programs and conferences are open to the law student body. See [http://www.law.smu.edu/academics/tsai-center-for-law,-science-and-innovation](http://www.law.smu.edu/academics/tsai-center-for-law,-science-and-innovation).

UNIVERSITY’S TOWER CENTER AFFILIATION

**The John Goodwin Tower Center for Political Studies** is a University Center based in the Political Science Department, but which collaborates with a range of University Schools and Departments, including the Law School. It was created to commemorate the late US senator whose life was dedicated to public service and education. In the spirit of John Tower’s commitment to educate and inspire a new generation of thoughtful leaders, the Tower Center
seeks to bridge the gap between the world of ideas, scholarship and teaching, and the practice of politics. The primary mission of the Tower Center is to promote the study of politics and international affairs and to stimulate an interest in ethical public service among undergraduates. The Tower Center is an academic center where all parties and views are heard in a marketplace of ideas, and the Center will pursue its mission in a non-partisan manner. Over the years, the Law School and members of its Faculty have collaborated with the Tower Center in a number of major international conferences/events. Prof. Norton is a Senior Fellow of the Center and is a member of the Center’s Faculty Advisory Board; Prof Kahn is a Fellow of the Center; and Professors Winship, Hanna, Jenks, Spector, Turner and Cortez are Associates/Fellows of the Center. See http://www.smu.edu/TowerCenter/About.

INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT

The Law School presently has three active international law moot court teams on which students may participate. These teams travel around the country and the world arguing the most pressing issues of international law today.

- Philip C. Jessup International Moot Court Team
- Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot Court Team
- Clara Barton International Humanitarian Law Moot Court Team.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

Over the past two decades the Law School has help a series of major international conferences, colloquia, and lectures- open to our student body- respecting a series of events concerning the international and comparative aspects of the rule of law; reform of the international architecture; comparative corporate governance; the Nurenberg Trials; international intellectual property issues; and international franchising. In connection therewith, distinguished speakers included members of the Supreme Courts of the United State, the European Court of Justice and the Russian Supreme Court; the General Counsels of the IMF and World Bank; and key governmental and civil society figures from a range of emerging economies. The Tsai Center regularly conducts conferences and talks of international significance.