Law Student Options for Study and Work Abroad

Please visit University of Michigan Law School’s Center for International and Comparative Law (CICL) for resources on study and work abroad programs for law school students.

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International Universities with Law School Study Abroad Programs

The University of Michigan Law School offers semester-long study abroad programs at several law schools around the world.

Students may also propose a student-initiated semester study program at law faculties of foreign universities. Visit the CILC for more information on international law schools [1].

Options for Law-Related Internships and Professional Positions

General Position Listings and Information

Students should visit the Office of Career Planning at the University of Michigan Law School. Resources include:

- Books listing international law firms
- Lists of international organizations that hire law students
- Ideas for gaining international work experience
- List of foreign firms looking for American law students

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Internships with the U.S. Government

For both international and domestic internship information with the U.S. government, ask for assistance at Career Services, the Public Service Office, and see our page [3] on *International Careers and Internships in U.S. Government Foreign Affairs*.

Internship & Externship Options

- The University of Michigan Law School offers summer internships [4] in London and Cambodia
- The University of Michigan Law School offers externships [5] in Geneva and South Africa

Books on International Legal Careers and Internships

The Education Abroad Office at U-M International Center has the following books on international legal careers or internships available overseas:

- *Careers in International Affairs* [6], School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, 2008.

Funding Sources

Michigan law students should consult the Law school about funding opportunities. See fellowships and funding [8] for more information. Students doing internships and research should also visit our Funding page to learn more about funding sources throughout the University of Michigan.

The following is a list of additional funding programs for law students:

- **The Hague Academy of International Law** [9]
  Scholarships available for summer study in the fields of public and private international law at the Hague Academy of International Law in the Netherlands. Applicants need three years of law school or equivalent international experience.

- **American Bar Association** [10]
  The ABA sponsors an International Legal Exchange program for lawyers. Law firms in foreign countries host American lawyers from one to six months. In exchange, foreign lawyers may work in the United States for up to six months. Not all positions have a salary or stipend. The program is open to foreign and U.S. lawyers. Proficiency in the host country language is recommended.

Internet Resources for Legal Study Abroad and International Internship Sites

- **American Bar Association, Section of International Law** [10]
  The ABA's site offers an extraordinary number of links, as well as the International Legal Exchange Program.

- **Hieros Gamos** [11]
  Comprehensive listing of law schools and law firms worldwide; government links; legal association links.
International Law Students Association [12]
ILSA administers an internship abroad program for law students. Site has many useful links.

Internet Legal Research Sites

Foreign and International Law Page [13]
Washburn School of Law

Cornell Law School, International Law [14]
Menu of primary source material, treaties, international agreements, and multilateral treaties.

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Links
[2] mailto:lawcareers@umich.edu
[9] https://www.hagueacademy.nl/
[12] https://www.ilsa.org/
[14] https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/international_law