

LL.M. Program

Course-Based Master's Degree Program

The Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree program is a course-based Master's degree program in law for students who have received a law degree, such as an LL.B., from a university outside of the United States. The LL.M. degree is a program for students who want to learn about American law and common law analysis.



Required Courses

- Introduction to American Law - 3 credits
- Legal Sources - 3 credits

Elective Courses

Elective courses allow students the flexibility to design the program around areas of law that are of interest to them, selected from Law School courses.

Program timeline	Start in Spring 2026	Start in Fall 2026
Application deadline	October 15, 2025	May 1, 2026
Program Orientation	First week of January	Mid-August, 2026
Law classes begins (First term)	Mid-January	First week of September
Law classes begins (Second term)	First week of September	Mid-January

All dates listed above are tentative, refer to [UW Law School Academic Calendar](#) for the most up-to-date information.

Application Process

- Step 1: Research about the program: <https://law.wisc.edu/grad/llm/>
- Step 2: Apply to the LL.M. program and submit application materials: <https://law.wisc.edu/grad/llm/apply.html>
- Step 3: Wait for admission review and decision (communication via email).

For questions, please contact
gpo@law.wisc.edu

Estimated Cost of Attendance

2025-26 Academic Year	LLM Program (2 semesters)
Tuition After Scholarship*	\$18,640
Fees**	\$1,990
Living Expenses***	\$21,730
Total	\$42,360

* For students from partner institutions of UW Law School.

**Fees: segregated fees, international student fee and an one-time registrar office document fee.

*** Living expenses for the program duration. This amount includes mandatory Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP), housing with utilities, food, books & supplies, some international travel, and incidentals.

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"The LL.M. supported me to build abilities in many aspects of life, not only academically, but as a human being." – Daniela Fachiano Nakano '20 (LL.M.), Brazil

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