



# INTERNATIONAL AW

**A WIDE RANGE OF COURSE OFFERINGS** and Virginia's faculty — prominent in areas such as immigration law, international human rights, environmental policy, comparative constitutional law and international business — make Virginia's international law program one of the strongest in the nation. Foreign professors are regularly invited to the Law School to teach seminars on topics such as European Union law and comparative law, and students may take select courses at the neighboring Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School (JAG School). Virginia's international law program attracts speakers from around the world, including leaders of international institutions and public interest organizations, officials from the U.S. State Department and other government agencies, international law scholars and practicing international lawyers.



**ANNALISE NELSON '07** was chosen to be the sixth consecutive Virginia Law graduate in the International Court of Justice's trainee program. Nelson will receive up to \$50,000 to support her nine-month clerkship through the Orrick International Law Fellowship, a competitive award sponsored by the Law School and law firm Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe.

## SPECIAL CENTERS AND PROGRAMS

**CENTER FOR NATIONAL SECURITY LAW** Established in 1981, the Center for National Security Law is a nonpartisan institution dedicated to the promotion of interdisciplinary advanced research, scholarship and education about legal issues affecting U.S. national security. The center brings scholars from around the globe to the Law School for conferences, symposia and lectures, and sponsors a yearly National Security Institute for government officials and scholars in international law and international relations.

**CENTER FOR OCEANS LAW AND POLICY** The Center for Oceans Law and Policy promotes rational management of the world's oceans and coastal and polar areas through teaching, research and discussion on public policy issues relating to ocean resources. Its annual conference, held abroad in locations such as Russia and Iceland, brings together oceans experts and scholars to explore a contemporary issue of international concern.

## COURSES AND SEMINARS

Advanced Topics in the Law of War (JAG School)  
Admiralty  
An American Half-Century  
Antiterrorism, Law and the Role

of Intelligence  
Antitrust in the Global Economy  
Ballots, Baseballs and Bombers  
Citizenship and Membership  
Commercial Law in the Context of the People's Republic of China  
Comparative Federalism

Death Penalty: An International Perspective  
Ethical Issues in Foreign Policy  
European Legal Systems  
European Union Law  
Foreign Relations Law  
Foundations of Climate Change Law and Policy CONTINUED



**THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION** has renewed the country's commitment to international engagement and is articulating a new Obama-Clinton doctrine for foreign relations, one of the U.S. State Department's top international law advisers told students at a 2010 event.



**SARAH CLEVELAND**, a counselor on international law with the State Department's Office of the Legal Adviser, delivered the keynote address at a J.B. Moore Society symposium on President Barack Obama's effect on international law. "The administration is committed in word and deed to a new era of principled engagement with the world," Cleveland said.

French Public and Private Law  
Global Health Law and Policy  
Globalization and International  
Civil Litigation  
Human Rights Advocacy  
Immigration Law  
Indochina War: Legal and Policy  
Issues  
Intelligence Law Reform  
International Agreements (JAG  
School)  
International and Foreign Legal  
Research  
International Banking  
Transactions  
International Business  
Transactions

International Civil Litigation  
International Criminal Law  
International Deal-Making: Legal  
and Business Aspects  
International Environmental  
Law  
International Financial Crimes  
International Human Rights Law  
International Ifs in the Long 19th  
Century  
International Investment Law  
International Law  
International Law and the Two  
Chinas  
International Patent Law and  
Policy  
International Taxation

Issues in International and  
Digital Media  
Law and Ethics of Human  
Subject Research  
Law of War  
NAFTA and the Environment  
National Security Law  
Oceans Law and Policy  
Presidential Powers  
Refugee Law and Policy  
Rights of Indigenous Peoples  
War and Peace

**CLINICS**  
Immigration Law Clinic  
International Human Rights Law  
Clinic



**THE VIRGINIA JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW**, the most-frequently cited student journal of its kind, celebrated its half-century anniversary in 2010. **DEMETRA KARAMANOS '10**, the journal's editor-in-chief at the time, said the journal is influential in both the diplomatic and academic worlds.

"Some of the articles definitely play a role in shaping policy when practitioners, especially at the State Department, read our articles for background information regarding a particular topic," she said. "Academically, I think we're helping to shape the field. I think that the hard work of our staff is really accomplishing something, which makes me very happy."

## STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

### JOHN BASSETT MOORE SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

The J.B. Moore Society is a driving force in international law activities at the Law School. Each year the society hosts a symposium on topics such as the war on terror or corruption in foreign governments, as well as a lunch lecture series in which international law faculty and foreign graduate students present papers. The society sponsors the Jessup International Law Moot Court team and coordinates with the Charlottesville office of the International Rescue Committee to help recently settled refugees.

### VIRGINIA JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Now in its fifth decade, the Virginia Journal of International Law is the oldest continuously published, student-edited law review in the United States devoted exclusively to the fields of public and private international law. It is the most frequently cited student-edited journal of international and comparative law, and the third-most-frequently cited student-edited specialty journal of any kind.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDY

### EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

Second- and third-year students may participate in six international exchange programs at the following schools:

- BUCERIUS LAW SCHOOL** (Hamburg, Germany)
- MELBOURNE LAW SCHOOL** (Australia)
- UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND** (New Zealand)
- UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM** (England)
- TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL** (Israel)
- WASEDA UNIVERSITY** (Tokyo)

Third-year students may also obtain a combined degree with University Paris 1 Pantheon – Sorbonne Law School and Sciences Po/Paris. Students completing the program will receive a J.D. from the Law School and a French law degree, entitling them to sit for the French bar exam. Students also may initiate their own study-abroad program at a foreign university law school or law department for one semester.

### JANUARY TERM ABROAD

The Law School offers a one-credit course abroad in Paris during the January term over winter break.

### SEMESTER ABROAD

Students may spend a semester abroad in a supervised setting combining academic legal research and work experience. Past projects have examined judicial reform in Argentina and the strategy of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia.

### EXTERNAL COMBINED-DEGREE PROGRAMS

Virginia offers external combined-degree programs in public international law with the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University, the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University and at the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies.



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