LL.M.
Our LL.M. program gives legal professionals of all backgrounds the skills they need to expand their careers. Foreign-trained lawyers develop an understanding of U.S. law preparing them to become members of the Georgia Bar and U.S. trained lawyers deepen their expertise in specialty areas of the law.

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GEORGIA STATE LAW
MASTER OF LAWS

Students in our LL.M. programs have the opportunity to **dive deeper into a focus area** by developing expertise in health law, environmental and land-use law, intellectual property, legal analytics or general legal studies, equipping them with the skills needed to advise clients in these rapidly changing areas.

The LL.M. program at Georgia State Law is open to graduates with a U.S. J.D. or foreign law degree (including J.D., LL.B., B.L., B.A. in Law and Society), and may be taken on a **full-time or part-time basis**.

The bar-preparation track allows foreign-trained lawyers to meet the requirements to sit for the bar exam.

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BAR PREPARATION TRACK
(FOREIGN-TRAINED LAWYERS ONLY)

This prescribed 26-credit hour curriculum allows foreign-trained lawyers who are authorized to practice law in their home countries to sit for the Georgia Bar Exam,* and possibly become eligible to take the bar exam in other jurisdictions.

* Graduates must also meet fitness standards established by the Georgia Office of Bar Admissions.

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CONCENTRATION TRACKS

Students may specialize in environmental & land use law, health law, intellectual property, legal analytics or general studies. All require 26 credit hours, with 17-20 credit hours of required or recommended courses, depending on the track. Students are encouraged to participate in an independent research project with a professor in the field of their concentration.

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DUAL CONCENTRATIONS

Georgia State Law offers a unique opportunity for our LL.M. students to pursue a dual concentration, allowing our graduates to demonstrate mastery in two areas of law. Foreign-trained and U.S. trained lawyers can earn a dual concentration LL.M. degree through completion of a 36 credit-hour course of study.
IN THE HEART OF ATLANTA

HIGHLIGHTS
• Multi-billion-dollar film industry
• Busiest passenger airport in the world
• Major international hub
• Center for global health
• 3rd largest concentration of Fortune 500 companies in the U.S.
• State, federal and administrative courts within walking distance of campus

ATTRACTIONS
• Alliance Theatre
• APEX Museum
• Atlanta Botanical Garden
• Atlanta Cyclorama & Civil War Museum*
• Atlanta History Center
• Center for Puppetry Arts
• CNN Center
• College Football Hall of Fame
• Fernbank Museum
• Fox Theatre
• Georgia Aquarium*
• Georgia World Congress Center
• High Museum of Art
• Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum
• Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site
• National Center for Civil and Human Rights
• Six Flags over Georgia*
• Stone Mountain Park*
• World of Coca-Cola
• Zoo Atlanta*

SPORTS TEAMS
• Atlanta Blaze
• Atlanta Braves
• Atlanta Dream
• Atlanta Falcons
• Atlanta Hawks
• Atlanta United FC

* Discount tickets available for Georgia State Students
FOR FOREIGN-TRAINED LAWYERS

26 CREDIT HOURS

STEP 1: TAKE REQUIRED COURSES

- Intro to U.S. Law (3)
- Lawyering Skills for LL.M. Students (3)
- Research Methods in Law (2)
- Legal Writing and Analysis for LL.M. Students (3)

STEP 2: CHOOSE A PATH

BAR TRACK

- Civil Procedure I (3)
- Civil Procedure II (3)
- Constitutional Law I or II (3)
- Evidence (3)
- Professional Responsibility (3)

CONCENTRATION TRACKS

ENVIRONMENTAL & LAND USE LAW

- Urban Fellows (2)
- Land Use Law (3)
- Environmental Law (3)
- Concentration electives (7)

HEALTH LAW

- Health Law: Quality and Access (3)
- Health Law: Finance and Delivery (4)
- Concentration electives (8)

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

- Copyright Law (3)
- Patent Law (3)
- Trademarks and Unfair Competition Law (3)
- Concentration electives (6)

LEGAL ANALYTICS & INNOVATION

- Legal Analytics I (3)
- Legal Analytics II (3)
- Legal Analytics Lab (3)
- Concentration electives (6)

GENERAL STUDIES

- Customized program of 15 credits for individual academic interests
FOR U.S. TRAINED LAWYERS

26 CREDIT HOURS

CONCENTRATION TRACKS

ENVIRONMENTAL & LAND USE LAW
- Urban Fellows Program (2)
- International Perspectives on Urban Law and Policy (3)
- Advanced Property Seminar (2)
- Urban Environmental Law (3)
- Concentration electives (16)
- Substantial writing project through the Urban Fellows Program

HEALTH LAW
- Health Law: Quality and Access (3)*
- Health Law: Finance and Delivery (4)*
- Concentration electives (12)
- General law electives (7)
- Substantial writing project on a health law topic
* If not satisfied through the J.D. Program

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW
- Copyright Law (3) *
- Patent Law (3) *
- Trademarks and Unfair Competition (3) *
- Concentration electives (9)
- General law electives (8)
- Substantial writing project on an intellectual property topic
* If not satisfied through the J.D. Program

LEGAL ANALYTICS & INNOVATION LAW
- Legal Analytics I (3)
- Legal Analytics II (3)
- Legal Analytics Lab (3)
- General Law electives (7)
- Concentration electives (10)
- Substantial writing project in legal analytics

GENERAL STUDIES
- Customized program of 26 credits for individual academic interests
- Substantial writing project on a law topic in the student’s field of interest
Foreign-trained and U.S. trained lawyers can earn a dual concentration LL.M. through a 36-credit-hour course of study focusing on two of the following areas: environmental/land use law, health law, intellectual property, legal analytics and innovation or general studies. If an LL.M. student chooses the general studies concentration, a special course of study will be customized for the student’s specific area of interest.

Foreign-trained lawyers can pursue the LL.M. for the practice of law in the United States, a 26 credit-hour program, plus a second concentration through completion of 10 additional credit hours of study in a student’s chosen area of specialty.

Choose two of the following concentrations:

- Environmental & Land Use Law
- General Studies
- Health Studies
- Intellectual Property Law
- Legal Analytics & Innovation

International students may complete the Bar Track and choose an additional concentration, or choose two of the following:

- Environmental & Land Use Law
- General Studies
- Health Studies
- Intellectual Property Law
- Legal Analytics & Innovation Law
FLEXIBILITY
FIND WHAT FITS YOUR SCHEDULE & BUDGET

Georgia State Law offers a competively priced LL.M. program.

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* Figures based on the 2022-2023 academic year tuition and fee rates. Tuition and fees are subject to change.
APPLY NOW

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION
LSAC.org
$50 non-refundable fee

WRITE YOUR PERSONAL STATEMENT
two pages, double-spaced

SUBMIT RESUME
or curriculum vitae

SUBMIT WRITING SAMPLE
academic or professional

SEND TRANSCRIPTS
DAS: U.S. trained lawyers
DAS and ITAES: Foreign-trained lawyers

SUBMIT LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
2 required, 4 maximum

TAKE THE TOEFL OR IELTS
if primary language of instruction is not English

BY THESE DATES

OCTOBER 1
LL.M. applications open

MARCH 15
Foreign-trained lawyers priority application deadline

APRIL 15
U.S. trained lawyers priority application deadline

JUNE 1
Foreign-trained lawyers application deadline

JULY 1
U.S. trained lawyers priority application deadline

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ADMISSIONS DISCLOSURE

The College of Law admits students based upon certification that the application materials are complete and accurate.

If you have omitted anything or any information changes, you must amend your application immediately. This obligation shall continue until you graduate from the College of Law. Misrepresentations may result in the invalidation of your application, revocation of admission, discipline under the College of Law Honor Code, report to the LSAC or Bar authorities and/or other actions.

Pay close attention to Questions 3 and 4 on the Character and Fitness section of your application and the Criminal Certification following Question 4.

Note: All moving violations must be disclosed; only parking tickets are exempt.

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

Georgia State University is an equal opportunity educational institution. Faculty, staff and students are admitted, employed and treated without regard to race, sex, color, age, religion, national original, sexual orientation or disability. Georgia State University complies with Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Act of 1991, Sections 503/504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act, as well as other applicable federal, state and local laws.

ABSTRACT CHARACTER AND FITNESS STATEMENT

Applicants are required to provide the ABA-accredited

College of Law with information about their academic and personal background, including criminal history. Failure to answer any such questions fully and honestly may adversely affect one’s application or result in actions up to and including revocation of admission.

Every American jurisdiction in which you may practice law after graduation from law school requires each applicant for admission to the Bar to meet character and fitness requirements as a condition of eligibility for admission. You are encouraged, as you go through the law school application process and before you enter law school, to determine the requirements of the jurisdiction(s) where you intend to practice law. If you are uncertain where you will practice law, you may wish to review the Standard NCBE Character and Fitness Application, titled Request for Preparation of a Character Report, of the National Conference of Bar Examiners, which is used by a number of jurisdictions’ bar admission authorities. Addresses for all relevant agencies are available at www.ncbex.org.

Complete information about Georgia’s character and fitness rules, as well as Bar exam and admission procedures, may be found at gabaradmissions.org. Students applying for admission in states other than Georgia are encouraged to review the specific admissions requirements of those states.

SACS ACCREDITATION

Georgia State is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award baccalaureate, master’s, specialist and doctoral degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, GA 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 only with questions about Georgia State’s accreditation.