

# The Oregon Master of Laws Program (LL.M.) Admission Application

The Oregon Master of Laws program is designed for law school graduates and lawyers who desire to continue their legal studies for professional advancement, in-depth study in a particular concentration or development of a new practice area. We are delighted that you are considering Oregon Law to continue your legal education and look forward to receiving your application.

Oregon Law offers four concentrations of study under the general Oregon Master of Laws (LL.M.) program:

**Environmental and Natural Resources Law** – This program focuses on public interest environmental law and innovations in environmental legal education. Oregon Law pioneered the earliest academic curriculum in public interest environmental law in the United States. Oregon Law's environmental and natural resources law courses provide students with an opportunity to study the regulatory mechanisms of environmental law, to learn emerging problem-solving tools in cutting-edge courses, and to gain practical training in skills-based courses.

**Business Law** – This program is designed to provide a fundamental understanding of core concepts and practices of U.S. business law and to provide an opportunity to study advanced complex transactional, tax and regulatory matters. Students may select elective courses from a wide array of business offerings, including corporate and finance law, green business, international business transactions, intellectual property and tax law.

**Conflict and Dispute Resolution** -- This program is designed to provide an understanding of principals and practices of conflict and dispute resolution and to provide an opportunity to study negotiation, mediation, arbitration, settlement and facilitation and to explore dispute resolution strategies in litigation.

**American Law** – This program is designed primarily for lawyers and individuals who have completed a first degree in law from a non-U.S. institution of higher education and desire to develop or further their understanding of the fundamentals of U.S. law for their professional endeavors or multi-jurisdictional practice.

Please select the LL.M. concentration to which you are applying by marking the appropriate box below (choose only one concentration):

<b>Business Law</b>	Environmental & Natural Resources Law	
American Law	Conflict and Dispute Resolution	

#### **Admissions**

LL.M. students normally have a J.D. from an accredited U.S. law school or a law degree from a non-U.S. program of legal education. Admission requires a strong academic record, legal research and writing skills, and a demonstrated interest in the LL.M. concentration to which the applicant is applying.

We warmly welcome international applicants. Non-native English speakers must ordinarily satisfy the University of Oregon's Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) standard for graduate student admission with a score of at least 575 on the paper test or 88 on the Internet-based test. An IELTS score of 7.0 is also acceptable.

#### **Costs and Financial Aid**

Estimated LL.M. program tuition and fees for 2019 – 2020 are \$46,526 and may be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. Tuition and fee schedules are subject to revision each year, and final determination on the amounts is generally available each spring. One time matriculation and commencement event fees are not included in the estimated fees and are approximately \$580 for 2019 – 2020. International students must have <a href="health insurance">health insurance</a> (unless a student's insurance meets the University of Oregon health insurance <a href="mailto-waiver criteria">waiver criteria</a>), which costs about \$2,772 for 2019-2020 academic year. Please visit the <a href="University of Oregon Health Center">University of Oregon Health Center</a> website for current insurance information. The estimated cost of living (e.g. rent, utilities) and personal expenses during the academic year (2 semesters) is \$14,250 and depends on each student's individual needs. The estimated cost for books and supplies for the academic year is \$1,146. Students must bring a laptop computer, or may purchase a computer through the University.

Financial aid loans may be available for U.S. citizens, permanent residents and eligible non-citizens. For U.S. citizens, permanent residents and eligible non-citizens who are seeking loans, please submit and file financial aid forms at the earliest possible date; do not wait until you have received an offer of admission. Financial aid is a separate process from admission. Applicants who intend to utilize federal financial aid to help pay the cost of attending the School of Law must fill out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students are encouraged to apply online at <a href="https://fafsa.ed.gov/">https://fafsa.ed.gov/</a>. Paper worksheets may be obtained from the University of Oregon Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships (<a href="http://financialaid.uoregon.edu">https://financialaid.uoregon.edu</a>). For information about financial aid loans, the FAFSA and eligibility, contact the University of Oregon Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarship at +1 (541) 346-3221, (800)-760-6953. Additional contact information for the University of Oregon Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarship is available at <a href="https://financialaid.uoregon.edu/contact">https://financialaid.uoregon.edu/contact</a>.

#### **Academic Calendar**

Semesters begin in mid-January and late August (international students usually take a class in American Law in early August, prior to the start of the regular semester). A two-week final exam period follows the end of each semester. The main graduation ceremony is in mid-May, but students may also graduate in mid-December.

## **Admission Process - Application Submission**

The Oregon Law LL.M. Application and supporting documents should be submitted to the Oregon LL.M. Program by mail or courier service and should be sent to the address below. Most application materials may also be submitted by email. Official college and university transcripts and TOEFL/IELTS scores should be submitted directly to Oregon Law by mail or courier service. If you accept an offer of admission, you must submit a nonrefundable tuition deposit of \$500 within three weeks after notification of admission to hold your place in the class. The deposit will be credited toward the LL.M. tuition.

#### Questions

For more information about the Oregon LL.M. Program or to submit your Oregon LL.M. Application please contact:

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Web: <u>https://law.uoregon.edu/programs/LLM</u>

The University of Oregon School of Law is accredited by the American Bar Association and is a member of the Association of American Law Schools. The University of Oregon is an equal-opportunity, affirmative-action institution committed to cultural diversity and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

# **Application Instructions**

To apply please submit the following do whether you have included the document	glish, including this page. Put a mark in the boxe on materials:	s to indicate
Letter explaining in 250-500 words why you are applying to The Oregon LL.M. program.	This Oregon LL.M. Application form.	
	Resume (curriculum vitae)	
At least two letters of recommendation (maximum three) from people who know you well and can discuss your academic achievements, professional work as a lawyer, and your legal research and writing skills. All letters should provide e-mail or telephone contacts for the reference.	Sample of legal writing that demonstrates your writing, research, and analytical skills (e.g. journal article, legal memorandum, paper on a legal topic, court pleading, etc.).	
Official transcripts from all universities and law schools. If not in English, please submit an official English translation.	For international applicants, signed and dated International Financial Certification & Immigration Form, which is available on the Oregon Law LL.M. website by clicking	

## **Deadline**

Decisions on applications are made on a rolling basis until the class is full. If possible, submit applications by October 15 for the January start date and March 15 for the August start date.

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Application for Admissio The Oregon LL.M.	n:	Photo (Attach a pass <sub>i</sub>	port photo here.)
LAST (FAMILY) NAME:			
FIRST NAME:			
MIDDLE:			
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (for applicants):	r U.S.	LEGAL SEX DESIGNATION (optional)	Female Male
DATE OF BIRTH: (Month/Day/Year)			Other  Do not wish to answer
When do you want to begin the pro	ogram?	•	Year
CONTACT INFORMATION:			
MAILING ADDRESS:			
APARTMENT:			
CITY:			
STATE:		POSTAL (ZIP) CODE:	
COUNTRY:			
EMAIL ADDRESS:			
PHONE	HOME:	MOBILE	:
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# CITIZENSHIP, RESIDENCY, BIRTH, AND ENGLISH ABILITY COUNTRY OF: **CITIZENSHIP** COUNTRY OF: **RESIDENCE** CITY AND COUNTRY OF: **BIRTH** Are you a resident of the YES If you are already in the USA on a visa, State of Oregon? list visa type. No International students: provide results of List the date on which you took or you plan to the Test of English as a Foreign take the TOEFL or IELTS. Language (TOEFL) or overall IELTS (Month/Day/Year) score: University of Oregon School of Law's TOEFL code is 484603 Is English your first (native) language? If "No" at what age did Yes you begin learning English? No MILITARY SERVICE Are you currently serving or have Yes ○ No you served in the U.S. military? If "Yes", list dates of military service: Start date: End date: Attach a copy of U.S. Department of Defense form DD-214, including Member Page 4, if you have been discharged. ETHNICITY AND RACE To comply with federal statistical reporting requirements, the University of Oregon must seek to identify the racial and ethnical background of applicants. You are encouraged but not required to supply this information. Your application will be given the same consideration whether or not you do so. Are you Hispanic or Latino? Yes $\bigcap$ No What is your race? (Check one or more) American Indian or Alaska Native Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander White\*

\*(Racial or ethnic subgroup)

# **EDUCATION**

List <u>all</u> law education and other	post-secondary education	ı (universities, graduate,	and professional sc	hools). You
may attach an additional sheet	if necessary. Provide office	cial academic transcripts	(in Enalish) with vol	ur application.

NAME OF SCHOOL:	
FIELD OF STUDY:	
FIRST ATTENDED: (Month/Day/Year)	LAST ATTENDED: (Month/Day/Year)
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NAME OF SCHOOL:	
FIELD OF STUDY:	
FIRST ATTENDED: (Month/Day/Year)	LAST ATTENDED: (Month/Day/Year)
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FIELD OF STUDY:	
FIRST ATTENDED: (Month/Day/Year)	LAST ATTENDED: (Month/Day/Year)
DATE OF DEGREE: (Month/Day/Year)	GRADE AVERAGE:

List all scholastic or academic honors you have received after secondary school including scholarships, fellowships, prizes, honor societies, etc.

# **WORK EXPERIENCE**

List your last three positions of employm	nent, including present employment and summer employment.
Employer	
Start date: (Month/Day/Year)	
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Are you licensed or admitted to practice law in any country or jurisdiction?	O Yes			
If "Yes", in which country/countries or jurisdiction(s)?				
When were you admitted? (Month/Day/Year)				
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# **REFERENCES**

should be from an academic source.

Name:
Position:
Relationship to Applicant:
Name:
Position:
Relationship to Applicant:
Name:
Position:
Relationship to Applicant:

List two or three individuals who are furnishing the required letters of recommendation. At least one reference

# CONDUCT

disqualification, dismissal, or any other similar action during your postsecondary educational experience (includes college, university, graduate school, professional school, and law school)? If yes, please describe the event, including why, when, and where it occurred.  Yes No
Have you ever had an academic scholarship, fellowship, or other similar award revoked? If yes, please describe the event, including why, when, and where it occurred.  Yes No
Have you ever been charged with any action that could have resulted in social or judicial (nonacademic) warning, probation, suspicion, disqualification, dismissal, or any other similar action during your postsecondary educational experience (includes college, university, graduate school, professional school, and law school)? If yes, please describe the event, including why, when, and where it occurred.  Yes No
Have you ever been placed on social or judicial (nonacademic) warning, probation, suspension, disqualification, dismissal, or any other similar action during your postsecondary educational experience (including college, university, graduate school, professional school, and law school)? If yes, please describe the event, including why, when, and where it occurred.  Yes  No
Have you ever been suspended, expelled, placed on probation, or otherwise disciplined by any professional organization or state agency? If yes, please describe the event, including why, when, and where it occurred.  Yes No

Have you ever been cited for, arrested for, charged with, or convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation? If yes, please describe the event, including why, when, and where it occurred.
Yes No
Are there any such disciplinary actions, charges, or proceedings referenced in the six questions above pending or expected
to be brought against you? If yes, please explain.  Yes No
Answering "Yes" to the above questions does not automatically disqualify you from consideration for admission.
Are you applying to other LL.M. programs? If so, which LL.M. programs?
How did you hear about the Oregon LL.M. Program?

## FINANCIAL AID (U.S. CITIZENS, PERMANENT RESIDENTS, AND ELIGIBLE NON-CITIZENS)

You must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to the federal processor at the earliest possible date if you want to be considered for loans. The FAFSA is available online at <a href="https://fafsa.ed.gov">https://fafsa.ed.gov</a>.

## FINANCIAL STATUS (APPLICANTS FROM OUTSIDE THE U.S.)

International residents: In order to facilitate your visa, at the time of application you must also submit the Financial Certification & Immigration Form (FCIF). Submit it with this application to the Law School, not to the University Office of Admissions. The FCIF is available online by clicking here: Financial Certification & Immigration Form.

### **OREGON RESIDENTS TUITION INFORMATION**

of you are claiming fultion classification as an C classification as a nonresident. Additional docu	_	nt, please answer the following questions. Failure to do so may result in your ay be required to substantiate residency.
Did a parent or legal guardian claim you as a dependent in the prior tax year?	O Yes	
Did a parent or legal guardian provide at least half of your support in the last twelve months?	O Yes	
Parent or guardian's legal state or country of residence:		
Is your high school diploma or GED from Oregon?	O Yes	Graduation date
Dates of most recent continuous physical	presence in	Oregon.
From		to
Most recent two years of Oregon income t	axes filed:	
First year		Second year
Employment in Oregon: Employer		
From		to
Date your Oregon driver's license was issued:		Oregon voter registration date:
Did you enter military service from Oregon? (attach a copy of DD-214 if discharged}	O Yes	
From		to

#### UNIVERSITY OF OREGON SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER DISCLOSURE AND CONSENT STATEMENT

To comply with the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, the University of Oregon must obtain your correct social security number (SSN) to file returns with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and to furnish a statement to you. The returns filed by the UO must contain information about qualified tuition and related expenses. The Privacy Act of 1974, section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code, requires that you give your correct SSN to agencies who must file information returns with the IRS. The IRS uses your SSN for identification and to verify the accuracy of your tax return. For more information, please refer to Internal Revenue Code, section 6050S.

### **ANNUAL CAMPUS SECURITY AND FIRE SAFETY REPORT**

In compliance with federal law, the University of Oregon prepares an annual report on campus security and fire safety programs and services. This is known as the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. The Annual Campus Security and Fire Safety Report is available online at <a href="http://police.uoregon.edu/annual-report">http://police.uoregon.edu/annual-report</a>. To request a paper copy of the report, contact UOPD at 541-346-0670, e-mail the Clery Coordinator contact listed on the website, or write to the department at 6220 University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403-6220, U.S.A.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Your signature certifies the accuracy and completeness of the information provided and the truth of the following certifications:

I have provided complete and accurate statements on this application.

I understand that failure to list all colleges attended or falsifying official documents may result in denial of admission or disciplinary action. I understand all official documents submitted in suport of this application become the property of the University of Oregon and will not be returned, copied or transferred to a third party. If it is determined by the School of Law that the information or documents I am providing are not truthful, accurate or complete, I can be denied admission, have my admission revoked, be placed on probation, or be dismissed from the University of Oregon School of Law.

Further, to the best of my knowledge, all official documents that pertain to me are authentic and unaltered. I have read and understood the University of Oregon Social Security Number Disclosure and Consent Statement above.

I have been informed that my application fee of \$50 and any deposit, if required, is nonrefundable.

I authorize the release of any information submitted by me in connection with this application to any person, firm, corporation, association, or government agency, but only to verify or explain the information.

I am required to disclose to the Admission Office, in writing, any changes in my application after I file this application and prior to matriculation, if admitted. This includes changes in personal and contact information, as well as any academic or disciplinary sanctions, criminal arrests, investigations, or convictions not previously disclosed. If any aspect of my application changes, I understand my admissions status can also change.

In addition to a bar examination, there are character, fitness, and other qualifications for admission to the bar in every U.S. jurisdiction. Applicants are encouraged to determine the requirements for any jurisdiction in which they intend to seek admission by contacting the jurisdiction. Addresses for all relevant agencies are available through the National Conference of Bar Examiners..

Signature	
Date	
(Month/Day/Year)	

# **Optional Survey: SB 473**

The University of Oregon values and welcomes LGBTQIA students. In addition to the standard question on Legal Sex Designation, the University is required by state law to ask the following two questions regarding Sexual Orientation, and Gender Identity.

Please understand that while the University must ask you these questions, your response(s) are completely voluntary. This information will only be shared in the aggregate with the state once requested, and within the UO campus in order to increase services to students. (Your individually identifiable answers will not be made available to the state, nor to any offices at the UO campus outside of those involved in data collection.) The information will not be used for discriminatory purposes, and you will be allowed to change it in the future if you enroll at the University of Oregon. Click here for more information and details regarding this new state requirement.

## This information will not be used in admissions decisions.

1. What is your sexual orientation?	
(a) Asexual	
(b) Bisexual	
(c) Gay	
(d) Heterosexual/straight	
(e) Lesbian	
(f) Pansexual	
(g) Queer	
(h) Questioning or unsure	
(i) Same-gender loving	
(j) Identity or identities not listed	(Please specify)
(k) Prefer not to answer	
2. What is your gender identity?  (a) Agender	
(b) Androgyne	
(c) Female/Woman	
(d) Gender queer or gender fluid	
(e) Male/man	
(f) Transgender	
(g) Transgender man	
(h) Transgender woman	
(i) Questioning or unsure	
(j) Identity or identities not listed	(Please specify)
(k) Prefer not to answer	

## **Glossary of Terms**

**Agender**<sup>3</sup> – not identifying with any gender, the feeling of having no gender.

 $Androgyne^3 - 1$ . A person whose biological sex is not readily apparent. 2. A person who is intermediate between the two traditional genders. 3. A person who rejects gender roles entirely.

**Asexual**<sup>4</sup> – having a lack of (or low level of) sexual attraction to others and/ or a lack of interest or desire for sex or sexual partners.

**Bisexual**<sup>4</sup> – An umbrella term for people who experience sexual and/ or emotional attraction to more than one gender (pansexual, fluid, omnisexual, queer, etc.).

**Gay**<sup>5</sup> – The adjective used to describe people whose enduring physical, romantic and/ or emotional attractions are to people of the same sex.

**Gender queer or gender fluid**<sup>4</sup> – An identity commonly used by people who do not identify or express their gender within the gender binary.

**Gender/ gender identity**<sup>4</sup> – One's internal sense of being male, female, neither of these, both, or other gender(s)

**IPEDS** – Integrated Post-Secondary Education Data System used by the National Center for Education Statistics to collect and analyze data related to education in the U.S.

**Lesbian**<sup>5</sup> – A woman whose enduring physical, romantic and/ or emotional attraction is to other women.

**LGBTQQIAPP+**<sup>4</sup> – A collection of identities short for lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer, questioning, intersex, asexual, aromantic, pansexual, polysexual (sometimes abbreviated to LGBT or LGBTQ+).

**Pansexual**<sup>4</sup> – Capable of being attracted to many/any gender(s).

**Queer**<sup>4</sup> – A term for people of marginalized gender identities and sexual orientations who are not cisgender and/ or heterosexual. This term has a complicated history as a reclaimed slur.

**Same-gender loving**<sup>6</sup> – A term sometimes used by members of the African-American/Black community to express an alternative sexual orientation without relying on terms and symbols of European descent.

**Sex**<sup>7</sup> – refers to a person's biological status and is typically categorized as male, female, or intersex.

**Sexual orientation**<sup>4</sup> – A person's physical, romantic, emotional, aesthetic, and/ or other form of attraction to others.

**Straight/Heterosexual**<sup>5</sup> – An adjective used to describe people whose enduring physical, romantic and/or emotional attraction is to people of the opposite sex.

**Transgender**<sup>4</sup> – An umbrella term for people whose gender identity differs from the sex they were assigned at birth. The term transgender is not indicative of gender expression, sexual orientation, hormonal makeup, physical anatomy, or how one is perceived in daily life.

**Trans man**<sup>4</sup> – Trans man generally describes someone assigned female at birth who identifies as a man.

**Trans woman**<sup>4</sup> – Trans woman generally describes someone assigned male at birth who identifies as a woman.

https://www.apa.org/pi/lgbt/resources/sexuality-definitions.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Genderqueer and Non-Binary Identities & Terminology. Genderqueer Identities. http://genderqueerid.com/gg-terms

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> LGBTQ+ Definitions. Trans Students Educational Resources. http://www.transsrudent.org/definitions

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> GLAAD Media Reference Guide - Lesbian / Gay / Bisexual Glossary of Terms. http://www.glaad.org / reference/lgb

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> LGBTQI Terminology. LGBT Resource Center at UC Riverside 2003-2004. http://www.lgbt.ucla.edu/documnets/LGBTTerminology.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Definition of Terms: Sex, Gender, Gender Identity, Sexual Orientation. American Psychological Association.