

# The OREGON LL.M.

## Application for Admission

### Why the Oregon LL.M.?

The University of Oregon has long been recognized as one of the best in the world for the study of environmental and natural resources law. Now its program is available to a select group of post-graduate students – those who already have obtained a first degree in law.

### Admissions

Applicants must 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 an excellent academic record, strong legal research and writing skills, and a demonstrated interest in environmental and natural resources law.

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 600 on the paper test, 250 on the computer test, or 100 on the new Internet-based test.

### Costs and Financial Aid

The instructional cost of the LL.M. program is under \$30,000. Oregon residents pay lower resident fees. International students must have health insurance, which cost \$1,047 in the past year. In addition, students should anticipate a budget of about \$13,000 for living expenses and \$1,000 for books during 9 months. Students must bring or purchase a laptop computer as well.

Financial aid loans are available for U.S. applicants. For U.S. students seeking loans, please submit and file financial aid forms as soon as possible; *do not wait until you have received an offer of admission.*

International applicants must submit the University of Oregon International Student Financial Statement, which is available online via our website. See <http://admissions.uoregon.edu/apply/pdf/ifinancial.pdf>

If applicants do not have sufficient private funds, they should look for governmental or private foundation funding well in advance, even before the decision on admission is made.

### Application Instructions

To apply please submit the following documents, all in English:

- **Letter** explaining in 250-500 words why you are applying to the LL.M. program in environmental law.
- **Application form** signed and dated.
- **Nonrefundable application fee:** \$50 check (international students are exempt).
- **At least two letters of evaluation (maximum three)** from people who know you well and can discuss your academic achievements, professional work as a lawyer, legal research and writing skills. All letters should provide e-mail or telephone contacts for the referees.
- **Current resume** (curriculum vitae)
- **Sample of legal writing** to demonstrate writing, research and analytical skills.
- **Official transcripts** from university and law school. If not in English, please submit an English translation.
- **For international applicants**, signed and dated International Student Financial Statement and International Student Information Sheet, available on our web site or by mail.
- **For international applicants** whose native tongue is not English, TOEFL score. (The score *also* must be submitted to us directly by the testing center.)
- **Personal contact information.** Telephone number and e-mail address are mandatory.

### Deadline

There is no fixed deadline. Applications are received until the class is considered full of high-quality applicants. Because of the time required for foreign students to arrange U.S. visas, it is recommended to file applications by April for classes starting in August and October if starting in January.

### Admission Process

You may submit all documents at once or as many of the documents as you can at one time, with other items such as transcripts and reference letters, to follow.

If you accept an offer of admission, you must submit a nonrefundable tuition deposit of \$250 within three weeks after notification of admission to hold your place in the class.

### Academic Calendar

Semesters begin in early January and mid-August. 14 weeks of classes are followed by two weeks of exams in each of two semesters. The main graduation is in mid-May, with an additional graduation in mid-December.

### Questions

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

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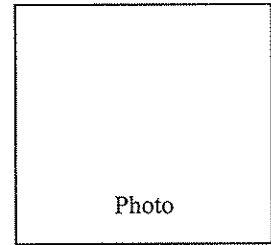
The University of Oregon School of Law is accredited by the American Bar Association and is a member of the Association of American Law Schools.

*An equal-opportunity, affirmative-action institution committed to cultural diversity and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.*

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## Biographical Information:

Legal Name: Family \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_

Other or previous names: Family \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security number (for U.S. applicants): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

Email: \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

Gender: (optional)  Male  Female

When do you want to start?

January \_\_\_\_\_

August \_\_\_\_\_

## Contact Information:

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code (ZIP) \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent address: (if different)

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone: Country Code \_\_\_\_\_ City Code \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: Country Code \_\_\_\_\_ City Code \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: Country Code \_\_\_\_\_ City Code \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: Country Code \_\_\_\_\_ City Code \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

## Citizenship and Residency

Country of: Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_ Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a resident of the State of Oregon?  Yes  No If you are in the USA on a visa, list visa type. \_\_\_\_\_

If you are an international student, you must submit results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or IELTS.

List the date on which you took or you plan to take the TOEFL or IELTS. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Month Year

Is English your first (native) language?  Yes  No

If "No" at what age did you begin learning English? \_\_\_\_\_

### Military service

Are you currently serving or have you served in the U.S. military?  Yes  No

If "Yes," list dates of military service: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Month Year Month Year

Attach a copy of U.S. Department of Defense form DD-214, including Member Page 4, if you have been discharged.

## Education Information

List all law education and other post-secondary education (universities, graduate, and professional schools). *Attach academic transcripts.*

SCHOOL	FIELD OF STUDY	DATES ATTENDED	DATE OF DEGREE	GRADES
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List all scholastic or academic honors you have received *after* secondary school including scholarships, fellowships, prizes, honor societies, etc. *Attach separate sheet if necessary.*

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## References

List two or three individuals who are furnishing the required letters of recommendation. One should be from an academic source.

NAME	POSITION	RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT
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## Work Experience

List your last three positions of employment, including present employment and summer employment.

DATES	EMPLOYER	POSITION/DUTIES
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Are you admitted to a bar for law practice?  Yes  No If yes, indicate in what jurisdiction(s) and when admitted.

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## Conduct

Have you been charged, convicted, or forfeited bond or bail in any criminal or civil court proceeding including major traffic offenses)?

Yes  No *If yes, describe date, place, and circumstances in detail on a separate sheet.*

Have you ever been accused of misconduct, expelled, suspended, placed on probation, or required to withdraw by any school, college, university, or law school?  Yes  No *If yes, describe date, place, and circumstances in detail on a separate sheet.*

**Answering “yes” to either of the above two questions does not automatically disqualify you from consideration for admission.**

How did you hear about our LL.M. Program? \_\_\_\_\_

**FINANCIAL AID (U.S. RESIDENTS)**

U.S. residents: 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 [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

**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 International Student Financial Statement (ISFA). *Submit it with this application to the Law School, not to the University Office of Admissions.* The ISFA is available online at <http://admissions.uoregon.edu/apply/pdf/ifinancial.pdf>

**OREGON RESIDENTS TUITION INFORMATION**

If you are claiming tuition classification as an Oregon resident, please answer the following questions. Failure to do so may result in your classification as a nonresident. Additional documentation may be required to substantiate residency.

- Did a parent or legal guardian claim you as a dependent in the prior tax year? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
  - Did a parent or legal guardian provide at least half of your support in the last twelve months? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
  - Parent or guardian's legal state or country of residence: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Is your high school diploma or GED from Oregon? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Graduation year \_\_\_\_\_
  - Dates of most recent continuous physical presence in Oregon (month/year): From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
  - Most recent two years of Oregon income taxes filed: Year \_\_\_\_\_ 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? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Dates: From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- (attach a copy of DD-214 if discharged)*

**OREGON STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER DISCLOSURE AND CONSENT STATEMENT**

1. To comply with the Tax Payer 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.
2. By signing the application, you also give your permission for the use of your SSN to assist the UO and the OUS (and organizations conducting studies for or on behalf of the OUS) in developing, validating, or administering predictive tests and assessments; administering student financial aid programs; improving instruction; identifying students internally; collecting student debts; or comparing student educational experiences with subsequent work-force experiences. When conducting studies, the UO and the OUS will disclose your SSN only in a manner that does not permit personal identification of you by individuals other than representatives of the UO and the OUS (or the organization conducting the study for the OUS) and only if the information is destroyed when no longer needed for the purposes for which the study was conducted. By providing your social security number, you are consenting to the uses identified above. This request is made pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 351.070 and 351.085.
3. *You are not required to consent to the use of your SSN for research; if you choose not to do so, you will not be denied any right, benefit, or privilege. You may revoke your consent for the use of your SSN at any time by writing to the Office of Admissions. If you do not give consent to use your SSN for research, please attach a note requesting a system-generated number or check this box: I do not give consent to use of my SSN for research purposes.*

**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 have read and understood the *Oregon State System of Higher Education Social Security Number Disclosure and Consent Statement* above.
- I understand all official documents submitted in support of this application become the property of the university. Further, to the best of my knowledge, all official documents that pertain to me are authentic and unaltered.
- I have been informed that my application fee of \$50 (international applicants exempt) 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.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

RETURN TO: "LL.M. Admissions," School of Law, 1221 University of Oregon, Eugene OR 97403-1221 USA