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## **Brooklyn Law School**

<https://www.brooklaw.edu/Academics/International-Programs/LLM>

Brooklyn Law School is located just minutes from Wall Street, the epicenter of international finance, and the Brooklyn Tech Triangle, a hub for innovation and start-ups. The Law School is surrounded by courts, businesses, non-profit organizations, and law offices, as well as the vibrant neighborhoods of Brooklyn. Immerse yourself in a real-world learning environment where you can grow both professionally and personally.

Our program is designed to help lawyers trained abroad to explore U.S. law, and connect with other international lawyers, our world-class faculty, and more than 24,000 alumni. Our students gain the knowledge, expertise, and networking opportunities to advance their legal education and careers. Students also have the option to sit for the New York State bar exam.

### **Specializations**

Students may choose to specialize in one of three areas of law and earn a certificate in addition to the LL.M. degree. The areas are: Business Law, Refugee and Immigration Law, or Intellectual Property Media Info Law.

**Business Law**

**Intellectual Property Law**

**Refugee and Immigration Law**

### **Application Requirements**

#### **Admission Criteria**

To be eligible for admission to the LL.M. program for internationally trained lawyers, prospective students must:

- Hold a first degree in law from an accredited foreign university that is substantially equivalent to the legal education provided by an American Bar Association-approved law school in the United States; and
- **Have a minimum Internet-based TOEFL score of 95 with a minimum of 23 on each of the four sections, or a minimum IELTS score of 7.0.** Only for candidates whose native and working language is English and whose first degree in law is from a college or university in a country where both the language of instruction and the native language is English, the language proficiency examination requirement may be waived.

#### **Application Submission**

<https://www.brooklaw.edu/en/Admissions/Apply/LLM>

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### [Download Application Instructions](#)

All applications are submitted through [www.lsac.org](http://www.lsac.org). If you need assistance or have questions about the application, please contact the Office of International Programs at [intlprograms@brooklaw.edu](mailto:intlprograms@brooklaw.edu). If you need technical assistance with the LSAC's website or have questions about the Credential Assembly Service, please contact the [LSAC](#) directly.

You will need the following supplemental documents:

- USD70 application fee
- Resume/curriculum vitae
- Personal statement (1-3 pages in length)
- Two letters of recommendation (completed online with LSAC by your recommenders or sent directly to LSAC)
- Official law school transcript, with certified English translation if necessary, sent directly to LSAC
- Official TOEFL score report from the Educational Testing Service, or an official score report from the International English Language Testing System (IELTS), sent directly to LSAC.

### **Guaranteed Housing**

LL.M. students are very much a part of the Law School's thriving intellectual and cultural life. To facilitate integration into our community, we provide guaranteed housing in Feil Hall to all applicants meeting our housing deadline. Feil Hall is a modern, furnished residence hall located just a few blocks from the Law School with over 200 apartments.

Feil Hall is also the location of the Jeffrey D. Forchelli Conference Center, the site of frequent academic symposia, and Gerald's, a comfortable café that hosts various programs of interest to BLS students and is a perfect location for meeting friends. The residence hall is located just three blocks from the Law School's main building.

The costs for Brooklyn Law School housing are highly competitive for apartments in New York City, especially those in the immediate vicinity of the Law School and the desirable neighborhood of Brooklyn Heights. All admitted LL.M. students who submit a completed housing application and deposit by the May 1 application deadline will be guaranteed housing while they complete the program. Family Housing is available for those who qualify.

### **What kind of scholarships and assistantships are available for international LLM applicants?**

Merit scholarships are offered to entering LL.M. students whom the admissions committee have reason to expect outstanding academic achievement. Awards are based on academic

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accomplishment and demonstrated aptitude for law study. Scholarships are awarded at the time of admission. Research and Teaching Assistantships open throughout the academic year and LL.M. students are eligible to apply. These positions are paid at an hourly rate. A student may not work more than twenty (20) hours per week while attending the Law School on a full-time basis.

#### **Does the curriculum include the NYS Bar requirements for International Students?**

All LL.M. students are required to take a minimum of twenty-four (24) credit hours. All LL.M. students are required to take the following courses: Fundamentals of American Law and Legal Writing and Research for LL.M. All other course selections are at the discretion of the student based on their plans and interests. Therefore, students should work with their academic advisor and the Registrar to develop a course plan that will help them meet the NYS Bar requirements.

#### **LL.M. Program for Internationally Trained Lawyers**

<https://www.brooklaw.edu/Admissions/Tuition>

The living expenses are estimated costs which vary depending on the student's actual expenses. For the 2022-2023 academic year (for 24 credits) the estimated cost of attendance including housing is as follows:

<b>Tuition*</b>	\$57,474
<b>Fees (plus \$25 registration fee)</b>	\$471
<b>Books</b>	\$2,000
<b>Housing (including utilities)</b>	\$17,775
<b>Living Expenses</b>	\$6,000
<b>Transportation</b>	\$1,175
<b>Health Insurance/Medical**</b>	TBD
<b>Estimated Total Cost of Attendance</b>	\$84,895

\*U.S. Government funding is available only for U.S. Citizens and Permanent Residents. However, Brooklyn Law School offers merit-based scholarships.

\*\*For students who are not covered by their own health insurance. Students may receive a budget adjustment for health insurance costs.