J.D. EXCHANGE PROGRAMS
Fall 2021 and Spring 2022

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WHY STUDY OVERSEAS?

Among the many values are:

- Exposure to another legal education system
- Legal comparison – Understand other legal systems
- Enhance course selection
- Develop marketable skills ➔ Future career opportunities
- Networking
- Personal growth
WHAT IS AN EXCHANGE PROGRAM?

Exchange Programs

- Students study through Reciprocity Agreement
- Curriculum is delivered by host institution
- Tuition is paid at home law school
HOW DOES IT DIFFER FROM OTHER STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS?

How external Study Abroad options differ…

- Not reciprocal
- Become a student of that institution
- Direct payment of tuition
WHO CAN GO?

- 2L and 3L students
- Apply as a 1L to go as a 2L, apply as a 2L to go as a 3L.
WHEN DO STUDENTS GO?

Fall or Spring
Copenhagen, Dublin, Madrid, Newcastle, Sonipat, Paris, and Lausanne

Fall
Beijing and Santiago

FOR HOW LONG?
One semester
WHAT ABOUT UNITS, GRADES AND TRANSCRIPTS?

- Receive 12 units of academic credit from UC Davis
- Must carry a full course load
- Must pass all courses
- Name of course and grade not recorded on transcript
- Not figured into GPA
- May need separate transcript later
CONSIDERATIONS

What to consider in deciding whether to participate in an exchange program:

- Can I get all of my units taken care of?
- Will I miss anything important while I am gone?
- Can I arrange to take my courses and tests?
- How much travel experience have I had?
- What are my goals and expectations?
- Will studying at my chosen location meet my goals and expectations?
- Will I experience culture shock?
WHAT ABOUT TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID?

- Remain enrolled at UCD, pay tuition to UCD.
- Keep your financial aid package.
HEALTH INSURANCE

Whether you have SHIP or waived for other plan, it is Important to:

- Add + international coverage option
- Check with provider as to reimbursement policy and medical provider network abroad.
- International Programs Office can offer advice on questions to ask your provider
- Mandatory UC Traveler’s Insurance
EXCHANGE PARTNER LAW SCHOOLS:

BEIJING, CHINA – China University of Political Science & Law; Renmin University; Tsinghua University

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK – University of Copenhagen

DUBLIN, IRELAND – University College College Dublin

MADRID, SPAIN – Comillas Pontifical University

NEWCASTLE, U.K. – Newcastle University

SONIPAT, INDIA – Jindal Global University

LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND – University of Lausanne

SANTIAGO, CHILE - Pontifical Catholic University of Chile; University of Chile
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

- No visa required (only residency fee).
- On-campus housing available, but limited. Apply early.
- UC Dublin application required (for info, not selection).
- Law is an undergraduate AND graduate degree program.
- LL.M. program available
UNIVERSITY OF COPENHAGEN

- Visa required. (Can take 2-3 months.)
- Univ. of Copenhagen application required (for info, not selection). Deadlines are May 1 and October 1.
- On-campus housing not available. Offers are usually in homes/apartments.
- Law is an undergraduate degree program.
- Law courses are offered in English.
CHINA UNIVERSITY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE & LAW

All processes in China are subject to change w/o notice.

- Visa required. (Specific visa requirements may change.)
- On-campus housing available.
- CUPL application required (for info, not selection).
- Courses are offered in English.
- Law is a graduate degree program.
Sample courses:
Chinese Corporate Law
Foreign Investment Law in China
Comparative Legal Study in East Asia
Introduction to legal systems in England and Hong Kong
International IP Law
JINDAL GLOBAL LAW SCHOOL, INDIA

- Visa required. (Specific visa requirements may change.)
- On-campus housing available.
- Application required (for info, not selection).
- Courses are offered in English.
COMILLAS PONTIFICAL UNIVERSITY, SPAIN

• Classes are taught in English and in Spanish.
• On-campus housing not available, but housing office can help with limited search. Apply early.
NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY, U.K.

- Courses taught in English.
- On-Campus Housing available
- Newcastle has an overall 93% satisfaction rate for international students
UNIVERSITÉ PARIS NANTERRE

- New Program!
- Visa Required.
- Fluency in French is required for this program
- Courses taught in French, with a few courses in English.
PONTIFICIA UNIVERSIDAD CATÓLICA DE CHILE
UNIVERSIDAD DE CHILE
HOW DO I APPLY?

There is a 2-page application online. From the law school’s main page, go to “International” → “Study Abroad” → “Exchange Programs.”

Download and complete the application, and add a statement of purpose, resume and transcript (copied from Sisweb is OK).

E-mail application to internationallaw@ucdavis.edu by:
February 15, 2020 for Fall 2021 (Extended to March 15)
May 1, 2021 for Spring 2022.

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The UC Davis School of Law Office of International Programs arranges and facilitates students’ placements at our partner institutions.

Students must work with the partner law schools’ staff and officials to manage all of the logistics, such as visa, housing, course registration and transcript reporting.

The staff of the Office of International Programs is available to assist students before leaving and during their semester abroad.