

LAW

AN EXCEPTIONAL LAW SCHOOL FOR A CHANGING WORLD

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1 OUR INSTITUTIONAL THEMES

Access to Justice and Transnational Legal Issues – permeate all that we do. They are evident in our admission policy, our curriculum, our commitment to experiential learning and our research.

2 OUR PROGRAMS

JURIS DOCTOR

Our Juris Doctor will provide you with a solid foundation in law and social justice together with the opportunity to customize your program depending on your interests and goals.

A degree from Windsor Law will take you anywhere you want to go. Our graduates can be found on Bay Street, Main Street, across the country and around the world.

What they all share in common is a strong, legal foundation and roots in a school where anything is possible. Since conferring degrees on our first class in 1971, Windsor Law has graduated remarkable lawyers and leaders who are changing our world.

We've earned a reputation for being gutsy and for fearlessly leading the way in developing groundbreaking courses and meaningful community law programs. From day one, our core JD curriculum has provided a solid, theoretical framework, as well as experiential learning opportunities that prepare our students to meet any challenge in today's legal environment.

Our students work with faculty from diverse backgrounds and perspectives, who inspire and challenge them beyond their expectations. Whatever your interests—human rights, class actions, transnational business, robotics law, intellectual property etc.—you'll discover our faculty at the cutting edge.

Our professors conduct important research about current and significant legal and social issues. Together with our committed staff and our dynamic student body, we form a vibrant intellectual and social community.



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CANADIAN & AMERICAN DUAL JURIS DOCTOR

The Canadian & American Dual JD Program is the only comparative program of its kind in Canada or the United States in which you can earn two law degrees in three years.

The University of Windsor Faculty of Law and the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law collaboratively offer the distinctive Canadian & American Dual JD Program. This unique, comparative program offers students an opportunity to earn a law degree in Canada and the US simultaneously. These degrees gives our students a competitive advantage in today's globalized legal environment.

Our two law schools are situated across from each other along the banks of the historic Detroit River. A brief, 15-minute drive separates the two campuses, enabling classes to take place on both sides of this international border in the course of a day.

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK/ JURIS DOCTOR

The objective of the MSW/JD program is to promote the integration of law and social work through an interdisciplinary commitment to social justice.

Students who are interested in social justice will learn the skills, theories and practical tools to equip them to be competent leaders and agents of change within and between the diverse fields of law and social work.

At Windsor Law, you will get a challenging, well-rounded legal education focused on both professional and personal development. We expect our students to not only master the intricacies of the law, but to use their knowledge to actively advocate for social and legal justice in Canada and around the world.

The mission of the School of Social Work is to promote social justice through quality professional education, advocacy, community partnerships, and the development and dissemination of knowledge. The School's understanding of social justice and its mandate in social work education finds its roots in the profession's historical commitment to serve the interests of oppressed and vulnerable populations and a set of fundamental values stated in the profession's Code of Ethics.

This mandate is realized in the preparation of students with knowledge, research and practice intervention skills to assume professional roles to eradicate

systemic barriers that oppress citizens and disenfranchised populations. Principles of justice find their meaning here in a fundamental belief in the dignity of all persons, the importance of access of citizens to participate, and strive for a more equitable distribution of our society's resources in the interest of promoting quality of life for all citizens.

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION/JURIS DOCTOR

With the MBA/JD program, we bring together two powerful degrees into a condensed four-year curriculum. This program will fully equip you for the career path of your choice in law, in business, or elsewhere. The program's focus on teamwork, strategic thinking and leadership skills will allow you to solve real business challenges and leverage classroom knowledge with real clients.

MASTER OF LAW

The unique research-based LLM program will enable you to pursue your academic and professional aspirations. You will engage closely with faculty members who are leading experts in their fields in this collaborative program. In our two year option, you can also earn a Certificate in Teaching and Learning.

3 ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In 1977, we broke new ground by radically revising our admissions policy to facilitate access to legal education for those disadvantaged by gender, race, or socio-economic situation. Today, this policy remains a cornerstone of what we stand for.

Most applications are considered by the Admission Committee using the following criteria: University Program, Work Experience, Community Involvement, Personal Accomplishments, Career Objectives, Personal Considerations, and Law School Admission Test.

Contact lawstudentservices@uwindsor.ca to visit us, book a campus tour or meet with a student ambassador. Apply on line at ouac.on.ca/olsas.



4 PROFILES



FACULTY PROFILE:

Noel Semple

"You'll find Windsor Law grads in leadership positions throughout the legal profession, and you'll find them fostering social justice around the world. This is no coincidence. Our programs balance of experiential, doctrinal, and critical study – energized by commitments to access to justice and transnational law – is a great preparation for any legal career."



STUDENT PROFILE:

Nadheera Panamaldeniya, Class of 2018

"Windsor Law has given me the opportunity to join a vibrant community with opportunities to develop myself personally and professionally. I've made great friends who support me every step of the way. My instructors and the staff are really approachable and always willing to help."



ALUMNI PROFILE:

Amy Johnson, Class of 2015

Amy's story is nothing short of remarkable. A single mother of six boys with limited financial resources, she dared to dream of going to law school. Thanks to the generous benefactors who support Windsor Law, Amy received a number of bursaries and grants that helped offset the cost of life in law school.

"At Windsor Law, professors took the time to get to know me and the staff were genuinely interested in my success. The school was small enough to be a real community but large enough to provide exposure to any practice area I might have been interested in."

5 EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

At Windsor Law, your learning will extend far beyond the classroom. Complete a corporate transaction in the Advanced Business Law Seminar, clerk for the Supreme Court of the Northwest Territories, provide advice to a not-for-profit organization, or advise clients in our poverty law clinics.

You will have an opportunity to engage in practical experiences that support your classroom learning. Some of these opportunities include:

- Ontario Court of Justice Internships
- Community Legal Aid and Legal Assistance of Windsor Clinical Placements
- Transnational Law & Justice Internships

- International Intellectual Property Clinic Placements
- National Self-Represented Litigants Project
- Social Justice Fellowships
- Northwest Territories Clerkships
- Pro Bono Students Canada Placements
- *Windsor Review of Legal & Social Issues*

6 TRANSNATIONAL FOCUS

At Windsor Law, you will study law within a transnational and global context. Windsor-Detroit is at the heart of the richest consumer market in the world, where more than half of the North American population

lives within an eight-hour drive. We are North America's most significant transportation hub—approximately 30 per cent of total trade between Canada and the US crosses the Windsor-Detroit border.

7 STUDENT SUPPORT

Our faculty and programs reflect our transnational focus. Our students enjoy working with professors from diverse backgrounds and perspectives who inspire and challenge them beyond their

expectations. Our committed staff and collaborative student body form a vibrant intellectual and social community. Your personal and professional success is our priority. That's why we provide all first year

students with access to our Peer Mentorship Program, Academic Success Program, Job Shadowing Program, and our Career Services staff to help their career plans develop.

8 FINANCIAL AID

We understand the financial challenges students face when pursuing a legal education and we are committed to providing support. Last year, we awarded \$2.88 million in financial aid to our students. In recent years, our

students have received (on average) approximately \$7,000 annually in financial aid above and beyond what they may receive through OSAP and other plans. Some students received bursaries sufficient to cover their tuition.

We also have a Line of Credit program available to all students.

For more information on the scholarships, awards and bursaries we offer, please visit uwindsor.ca/law/awards.

STUDENT RECRUITMENT

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