

Guidelines for Semester Study Abroad at Waseda University Law School, Japan

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The University of Michigan Law School offers a semester study abroad opportunity with Waseda University Law School, Tokyo, Japan for one (and sometimes more than one) student per academic year. Interested students must comply with the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad available in the Center for International and Comparative Law, 300D Legal Research, or on the Law School web site at: <http://www.law.umich.edu/curriculum/studyabroad/Pages/default.aspx>. Please consult the General Guidelines along with this document. They contain important information, including how to apply.

Curriculum

Waseda University Law School is described on its web sites: <http://www.waseda.jp/law-school/> (Japanese) and <http://www.waseda.jp/law-school/index-e.html> (English). The fall 2008 semester (Waseda's second semester) courses are attached, and a description of the exchange program may be found at: <http://www.waseda.jp/law-school/eng/exchange.html>

The biographies of members of the faculty at the Waseda University Law School may be seen at: <http://www.waseda.jp/law-school/jp/about/faculty/alphabet.html>.

A student's course selection at Waseda University Law School must be approved by the University of Michigan Law School prior to the student's departure. Any subsequent requested changes must be approved in advance by Assistant Dean Virginia Gordan (vgordan@umich.edu; TEL: 734-764-5269). The acceptance of any credit or grade for any course taken at Waseda University Law School is subject to determination by the University of Michigan Law School.

In addition to the course requirements at Waseda, students will be responsible for fulfilling all the requirements for the transfer of credit described in the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad available in the Center for International and Comparative Law, Room 300D Legal Research.

Advice

Professor Mark West (markwest@umich.edu) is available to advise students interested in studying at Waseda University Law School. Prior to submitting a proposal to the Global Affairs Committee for semester study abroad at Waseda University Law School pursuant to the process described in the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad, students are required to be interviewed by Professor West.

Language

There currently are seven courses offered in English in the fall 2008 semester at Waseda University Law School, and Waseda has indicated that they likely will be continued. The current English-language courses offered are Contemporary Japanese Law, Japanese Legal Culture, International Trade Law , Comparative Finance Law, Criminal Justice in Japan, Civil Law in Japan, and Human Rights in Japan. All other courses are in Japanese, and with the exception of first-year non-electives, are open to foreign exchange students with sufficient language ability.

Calendar

The first semester at Waseda generally goes from early April through late July. The second semester at Waseda generally starts in late September with classes ending in January and finals in February. The fall 2008 semester (Waseda's second semester) classes begin September 26, 2008. Orientation week takes place between September 22 and September 26, 2008. The spring 2009 semester (Waseda's first semester) classes tentatively begin on April 6, 2009, with the orientation week beginning April 1, 2009. Waseda has indicated a willingness to be flexible about scheduling final exams; for instance, fall semester (Waseda's second semester) students will be allowed to finish their study at Waseda University Law School by the last class in December and earn full-semester credits for enrolled courses. Appropriate methods of evaluation will be arranged in order to compensate for the missed January classes in consultation with the exchange coordinator of the home institution. See <http://www.waseda.jp/law-school/eng/exchange.html> for further details.

Tuition

Students must pay full tuition and fees to the University of Michigan Law School as described in the General Guidelines. Students will not be charged tuition by Waseda University. Tuition structure and amount are subject to change.

Application to Waseda University Law School

Students who receive approval from the Law School's Global Affairs Committee to study abroad at Waseda pursuant to the process described in the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad will then be required to promptly complete a Waseda application form. *Waseda reserves the right of final approval of Michigan applicants.*

The Waseda University Law School application can be found at <http://www.waseda.jp/law-school/eng/exchange.html> - under Required Documents for Nomination (#7).

The Center for International & Comparative Law will send the accepted student's Waseda application and supporting application items to Waseda.

Housing

When Waseda grants acceptance to a student, the student is asked if he/she wishes to apply for university housing. If Waseda's facilities for foreign students are full, every reasonable effort is made to assist incoming exchange students in finding suitable accommodation elsewhere.

Contacts

Professor Akio Shimizu of Waseda University Law School is the academic and overall coordinator for Michigan students at Waseda. His email is ashimizu@waseda.jp, and his telephone number is 81-3-5286-1214. Please contact Professor Shimizu with your questions.

Mr. Makato Inoue is the administrative contact at Waseda University. His contact information is: law-school@list.waseda.jp TEL: 81-3-5286-1678; FAX: 81-3-5286-1720.

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For further information

Students are strongly encouraged to read the Student Study Abroad Reports currently available in the Center for International & Comparative Law (Room 300D Legal Research). The reports contain invaluable information about courses, professors, library, computers, housing and so on. They identify the pluses and minuses of the students' study abroad experiences and what aspects they enjoyed and what they found problematic while studying at Waseda.

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Waseda University Law School
2008 Second (Fall) Semester Courses

漢字科目名	英字科目名
国家と法	Constitutional Law: Law and Nation
民法III	Civil Law III
民法IV	Civil Law IV
民事訴訟法	Civil Procedure
会社法I	Corporate Law I
刑事訴訟法	Criminal Procedure
民事法総合II	Advanced Civil Law II
商法総合	Advanced Commercial Law
民事法総合IV	Advanced Civil Law IV
企業統治と企業金融	Corporate Governance & Finance
行政法総合	Advanced Administrative Law
民事訴訟実務の基礎	Civil Law Litigation
刑事訴訟実務の基礎	Criminal Law Litigation
リーガル・コンサルティング アンド ネゴシエーション	Legal Counseling and Negotiation
民事弁護実務	Civil Law Advocacy
家事弁護実務	Family Law Advocacy
刑事弁護実務	Criminal Law Advocacy
憲法行政訴訟実務の基礎	Constitutional and Administrative Law Litigation
労働訴訟実務の基礎	Labor Law Litigation
国際取引実務の基礎	Practice in International Business Transactions
民法法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: Civil Law
商法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: Commercial Law
刑事法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: Criminal Law
公法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: Constitutional and Administrative Law
公法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: Constitutional and Administrative Law
英文法文書作成	Legal Drafting in English
不動産法特殊講義	Real Estate Law-Advanced
消費者法	Consumer Law
信託法	Law of Trusts
倒産法演習	Seminar: Bankruptcy Law
民事特別手続 (人事訴訟・非訟事 件)	Special Civil Procedures: Domestic Relations and Non- Contentious Procedures
労働法II	Labor Law II
労働法演習	Seminar: Labor Law
医事法I	Law and Medicine I
労使紛争と法II	Law and Labor Disputes II
捜査法	Law of Criminal Investigation
刑事証拠法	Criminal Evidence Law
比較刑事手続	Comparative Criminal Procedure
犯罪学	Criminology
少年法	Juvenile Delinquency Law
修復的司法	Restorative Justice
国際刑事法II	International Criminal Law II
法医学	Forensic Medicine
雇用差別と法	Law and Employment Discrimination
社会保障法演習	Seminar: Social Security Law
高齢者と法	Law and the Elderly
子供と法	Law and Children
ジェンダーと法II	Law and Gender II
都市と法	Law and Urban Planning
情報の公開	Information Disclosure
社会保障法政策演習	Seminar: Law and Policy in Social Security
行政紛争特別講義	Administrative Dispute - Advanced
国際関係公法基礎	Introduction to International Law

アメリカ証券取引法	U.S. Securities Regulations
非公開企業法	Law of Closed Corporations
破綻処理法制	Legal System for Reorganizing Financial Institutions
国際商取引法特論	Law of International Commercial Transactions - Advanced
保険争訟論	Insurance Dispute
証券化論	Securitization
商事決済法	Law of Settlement in Business Accounts
金融（仲介）業者規制法	Financial Brokers Regulations
国際関係私法基礎	Introduction to International Private Law
※国際通商法	International Trade Law
電子商取引法	Electronic Transactions Law
経済法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: Economic Law
国際私法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: International Private Law
国際法応用演習II	Advanced Seminar: International Law II
アメリカ通商法	U.S. Trade Law
国際私法I	International Private Law I
知的財産権法概説	Introduction to Intellectual Property Law
競業法	Competition Law
租税法基礎	Basics of Taxation
知的財産権法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: Intellectual Property Law
国際租税法	International Taxation Law
環境法I	Environmental Law I
環境法II	Environmental Law II
国際環境法	International Environmental Law
スポーツ法	Sports Law
マスメディアと法	Law and Mass Media
裁判官の任務と責任	Role and Responsibility of Judges
法整備支援活動	Technical Assistance in the Legal Field
※国際模擬裁判	International Moot Court
法史学I（日本）	Legal History I: Japan
法史学II（ヨーロッパ）	Legal History II: Europe
法社会学I	Law and Society I
外国法基礎（英米法）	Introduction to Anglo-American Law
外国法基礎（EU法）	Introduction to EU Law
外国法基礎（中国法）	Introduction to Chinese Law
外国法基礎（ロシア法・東中欧法）	Introduction to Russian and Eastern European Law
外国法演習（英米法）	Seminar: Anglo-American Law
法哲学	Legal Philosophy
法思想史	History of Legal Thoughts
法と財政学	Law and Finance
法と経済学	Law and Economics
法律家のための会計学	Accounting for Lawyers
Contemporary Japanese Law	Contemporary Japanese Law
Japanese Legal Culture	Japanese Legal Culture
Civil Law in Japan	Civil Law in Japan
Comparative Financial Law	Comparative Financial Law
Criminal Justice in Japan	Criminal Justice in Japan
Human Rights Law in Japan	Human Rights Law in Japan
臨床法学教育（民事）I	Legal Practice: Clinical (Civil Law) I
臨床法学教育（家事）I	Legal Practice: Clinical (Family Law) I
臨床法学教育（刑事）I	Legal Practice: Clinical (Criminal Law) I
臨床法学教育（労働）I	Legal Practice: Clinical (Labor Law) I
臨床法学教育（外国人）	Legal Practice: Clinical (Law and Foreigners)
臨床法学教育（ジェンダー）II	Legal Practice: Clinical (Law and Gender) II
臨床法学教育（憲法）I	Legal Practice: Clinical (Constitutional Law) I
臨床法学教育（商事）	Legal Practice: Clinical (Commercial Law)
ペーパー・オプション	Optional Research Paper
研究論文指導II	Research Paper II