

Law (International Law)

Program Objective

This program is developed to provide students with a good understanding of legal knowledge across a broad spectrum of legal issues in a global context. In this degree, students will also learn the language and history of China. They will have an opportunity to immerse themselves in Chinese culture and will learn the role of law as well as politics and business in contemporary China. The program is thus designed for students to sharpen their knowledge and understanding of international legal acumen

and to improve their skills in cross-culture communication. This international outlook will help students to start a career without boundaries after their graduation. The program is ideal for those who would be interested in pursuing a career in an international arena, allowing graduates to work in the fields of law at both the domestic and international levels.

Main Courses

Common courses: Basic Chinese, Comprehensive Chinese, Chinese Listening, Advanced Spoken Chinese, Chinese Translation, Chinese Writing, China Panorama, Advanced Office Software

Compulsory courses: Jurisprudence, Constitution law, Civil Law, Criminal Law, Administrative Law, Civil Procedure Law, International Law, Private International Law, International Economic Law.

Core Courses: Legal English, Contract Law, Corporation Law, Environmental Law, International Commercial Arbitration, WTO Law, International Treaty law, International Organizations law, International Criminal Law

Optional courses: Tort Law, Comparative Law, Security Law, International Financial Law, International Investment law, International Intellectual Property law, International Human Rights law, Chinese Kungfu.

Faculty

Zhejiang Gongshang University School of Law is a pioneer of providing legal education in Zhejiang Province. Its precursor was Politics and Law College of Zhejiang Province, which was founded in 1979. Approved by China's Ministry of Education of China, the School has offered Master of Law Programs (LL.M.) and Juris Master Programs (J.M.). The School started recruiting international students in 2009. Currently, the School grants LL.M. in 7 different sub-fields of law, including Jurisprudence, Constitutional Law and Administrative Law, Civil Law and Business Law, Criminal Law, Criminal and Civil Procedures, Economic Law, and International Law. Nowadays, there are over 1200 undergraduate students and 500 master's

candidates enrolled in all programs. In 2012, the School was selected by the Ministry of Education as one of 58 educational bases from approximately 700 law schools nationwide. The educational base is dedicated to cultivating outstanding students' innovative capability of applying laws to identify and resolve various complicated issues in practice. According to an academic assessment undertaken by the Ministry of Education in 2013, the School was ranked 41st in the list of all colleges and universities in China, and was placed 1st as the main law school in the region of Zhejiang Province.

The School has 99 full-time faculty members, amongst whom are 19 full professors and 37 associate professors. Up to date, more than half faculty members have been overseas for studying and doing research. 15 have earned doctoral degrees or master's degrees from some internationally renowned universities located in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Australia and Japan. Currently, the number of faculty members ranks the nation's top 10 law schools. Many senior scholars enjoy national reputations in their fields, including the Law of Procedures, International Law, Civil Law and Business Law. Most scholars have been widely recognized at provincial level. In addition, a number of law professors and scholars from the United States and the United Kingdom have been appointed as guest professors to teach courses in the fields of foreign laws or comparative laws.

The School attaches great importance to international research and exchanges. The School has built close relationships of collaboration with some universities and institutions from the United States, Netherland, Korea as well as other countries. Between 2006 and 2012, the School joined an experiential education project called "Legal Clinic and Advocacy Education" as a partner school in China. The project was funded by USAID and led by University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law and American University Washington School of Law. 20 professors from Zhejiang Gongshang University School of Law participated in this project and thus had opportunities to expose themselves to the core idea of American legal experiential education "Learning by Doing" as well as its multiple effective teaching methods. In addition, each year our students have numerous opportunities to go abroad for exchanges and visits, some of them thus have more overseas opportunities in pursuing their higher degrees for the future after graduation.

Length, Credits and Degree

The length of curriculum is four years. Minimum credits for graduation: 120 credits.

Qualified students will be granted Bachelor Degree of Law in law (International law).

Instruction Language

- All the courses are delivered in English except some of Chinese language courses.
- Dissertation is required to be written in English