

The LL.M. Program in Agricultural & Food Law

The University of Arkansas School of Law

For over thirty years, the University of Arkansas School of Law has been a worldwide leader in agricultural and food law education, research, and outreach.

We were first to offer an advanced legal degree program in agricultural and food law, first to publish a specialized food law and policy journal, and first to offer a fully integrated opportunity for distance education.

Our outreach efforts include the Indigenous Food & Agriculture Initiative and the Food Recovery Project. Our 300+ alumni serve as leaders throughout the world and as mentors to our students.

A full range of specialized classes in agricultural and food law are available, all designed for the LL.M. Program. Courses are offered on a regular semester basis or condensed to allow for more concentrated study. Externships and practicums provide experiential opportunities.

Distance students participate through live-stream video-conference, tune in to recorded lectures, and/or undertake guided online study. Course design assistance from the experienced distance learning professionals at the UA Global Campus assures excellence.

Our focus on sustainability, food system resilience, and global food security attracts students from throughout the U.S. and the world. Our real-world approach to addressing current issues of law and policy promotes solutions that benefit the region, the nation, and the world.



From food safety to nutrition labeling, from farm programs to direct marketing, we explore issues from all sides - considering the farmer, processor, retailer, and consumer. We promote an integrated, comprehensive study of some of the most important issues facing our world today.

Recognizing the importance of sustainability and the challenges of climate change, we address food security and food-related public health issues with a systemic focus.

Now, more than ever, agricultural and food law expertise is needed for innovation and for guidance.

Our program provides an opportunity to explore and debate critical policy issues while also developing the practical legal skills needed for those involved in our food system, from “farm to fork.”

Our Classes

We offer a minimum of 24 credits of specialized courses in agricultural and food law each year from our extensive list of approved courses.

- Introduction to the Law of Food & Agriculture
 - Food Law & Policy
 - Agriculture & the Environment
- Human Rights & Corporate Social Responsibility in the Food Sector
- Intellectual Property and Food Law
- Agricultural Policy & the Federal Budget
 - The Right to Food
 - Regulated Markets in Agriculture
- Agricultural Cooperatives & Local Food Systems
 - Federal Regulation of Food Labeling
 - Federal Regulation of Food Safety
 - Land Tenure and Sustainability
 - Food Safety Litigation
 - Food Justice Law & Policy
 - Federal Nutrition Law & Policy
- Environmental Regulation of Agriculture
 - Urban Agriculture Law & Policy
 - Agricultural Labor Law
 - Farmed Animal Welfare Law
 - Farm Programs & Crop Insurance
 - Agricultural Biotechnology
- Legal Issues: Indigenous Food & Agriculture
 - Agricultural Perspectives
- Introduction to Agricultural Taxation
- Issues in International Food & Agriculture
- Specialized Legal Writing: Agric. & Food Law
 - Agricultural & Food Law Practicum
 - Food Law Corporate Externship

LL.M. students are offered opportunities for professional networking with our alumni, with the career path of each student integrated into his or her individualized course of study.



Who we serve -

Recent law graduates and experienced attorneys can apply for admission to our LL.M. Program as degree candidates.

Attorneys and law professors can apply to take our courses for non-degree credit, often receiving CLE credit for participation.

Law students and graduate students can apply to take individual courses for transfer credit back to their degree programs, subject to their department's requirements.

And, we recognize the interdisciplinary nature of our studies and the interest of many professionals in learning more about the law that frames our food system. We welcome them to apply to study with us as well.

Distance students are eligible for in-state tuition. On campus students are eligible for graduate assistantships.

For more information or to apply, visit our website law.uark.edu/llm

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