

# Application Procedure

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## For International Students LL.M. Program in Agricultural and Food Law University of Arkansas School of Law

While applicants to the LL.M. Program in Agricultural and Food Law are generally admitted only after they have received a J.D. or other basic law degree from a law school in the United States, we will also consider applicants who have received their basic legal training outside the United States. Applicants to the Program are asked to show a demonstrated interest in agricultural and food law studies and to show that they will have completed their legal training in their home jurisdiction before enrolling in the LL.M. Program.

In some cases, we may require that an international student enroll in an approved orientation program on the American legal system prior to beginning graduate law classes.

International applicants to the LL.M. Program must submit the following:

(1) Each applicant must prepare and submit a statement indicating why he or she is interested in studying agricultural and food law in the United States. This can include the ways in which past education and experience have prepared the applicant for advanced law studies and the type of position the applicant hopes to assume upon completion of these studies.

(2) A current resume or curricular vitae.

(3) A completed Application for Admission for International Students.

(4) Evidence of receipt of the Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) degree, the Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree, or a comparable degree from an accredited law school or law department.

(5) International students whose native language is not English must meet the English proficiency requirements for international admissions set by the University of Arkansas Graduate School. Additional evidence of language proficiency may be required.

(6) Transcripts from all colleges and universities attended, even if a degree was not received. Transcripts must be sent from the institution directly to the Director of the LL.M. Program, and must bear the official seal of the institution, be signed by the Registrar or his delegate, and be notarized or authenticated by a local office. An English translation must be appended and similarly sealed, signed and notarized or authenticated. Transcripts not received directly from a college or university cannot be accepted. Transcripts should explain the school's grading system and indicate academic standing in some manner, preferably by class rank or designation of honors achieved. Law transcripts should indicate each subject taken and the academic marks received in each subject.

(7) Two letters of recommendation must be sent directly from those who write them to the Director of the LL.M. Program. It is recommended that at least one letter be from a member of the applicant's law faculty and that at least one be from a judge or practicing lawyer. The application form requires the names of two additional references.

(8) A completed University of Arkansas Supplemental and Financial Information form. Each applicant must provide evidence of available financial support in the form of specific documentation of funds available for transfer to the United States to cover each year of study at the University of Arkansas.

International students admitted to the LL.M. Program in Agricultural and Food Law will enter the United States on either an F-1 Student Visa or a J-1 Exchange Visitor visa. The U.S. Immigration Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20) will be forwarded to the student as soon as the completed and signed University of Arkansas Supplemental and Financial Information form is returned to our office by the student. Before departure for the United States, the student must present the I-20 Form and a valid passport to a U.S. consulate abroad in order to obtain a Student Visa (F-1). If a sponsor or government requests J-1 status for the student, and has not made special arrangements for the visa, we will issue an IAP-66 form requesting a Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visit or (J-1) status.

Admission decisions are based upon a variety of factors, including the applicant's academic record, professional experience, English language proficiency, a demonstrated interest in the legal problems of agriculture and related career plans. Intensive English language studies are offered by the Spring International Language Center located on campus at the University of Arkansas. No financial assistance is available to fund English language studies.

The University of Arkansas is committed to the policy of providing educational opportunities to all qualified students regardless of their economic or social status and will not discriminate on the basis of disability, race, color, sex, creed, veteran's status, age, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or national origin.

# Application for Admission

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University of Arkansas School of Law

## Personal Information

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST LANGUAGE \_\_\_\_\_

IF NOT ENGLISH, MOST RECENT TOEFL SCORE

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

MODE OF PARTICIPATION:  
FACE TO FACE    ONLINE  
FULL TIME      PART TIME

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION:  
BEGINNING: FALL 20\_\_

U.S. CITIZEN:  
 YES             NO

RESIDENT ALIEN:  
 YES             NO  
IF YES, SUBMIT COPY OF  
RESIDENT ALIEN CARD

NON-RESIDENT ALIEN:  
 YES             NO  
VISA TYPE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH:

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## Educational Information

List all colleges, universities, graduate and professional schools attended. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

SCHOOL	MAJOR	DATES ATTENDED	DATE OF DEGREE
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_____	_____	_____	_____
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Provide law school class rank or percentile upon graduation \_\_\_\_\_

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List all scholastic, academic or professional awards. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

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### **Professional Experience**

List your last four positions of employment, including present employment.

EMPLOYER	DATES OF EMPLOYMENT	POSITION/DUTIES
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List your membership in any professional organizations.

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List publications including books, law review articles, journal articles, monographs, government publications, research reports, etc. authored or co-authored by you. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

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## References

1. NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

2. NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PROVIDE THE NAMES OF THE TWO INDIVIDUALS THAT WILL PROVIDE A LETTER OF  
RECOMMENDATION FOR YOU:

1. NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_

2. NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Additional Required Information

Are you licensed to practice law in any jurisdiction?

YES       NO

If yes, state the jurisdiction and year of admission.

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Have you ever been subjected to disciplinary proceedings as a member of the bar of any court or jurisdiction?

YES       NO

Have you ever been subjected to academic disciplinary proceedings as a student in any college or university?

YES       NO

Have you ever been formally charged or convicted in any court proceeding of a criminal nature?

YES       NO

Have you ever been charged with fraud, formally or informally, in any civil proceeding?

YES       NO

If your answer to any of the above questions is "Yes", attach a statement giving full details, including: dates; the institution, jurisdiction or court; the facts; the disposition of the matter; and citation to any court records.

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## Verification of Application

To the best of my knowledge, the information in this application is complete and accurate.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Submit this application and supporting documentation to:

LL.M. Program in Agricultural & Food Law  
University of Arkansas School of Law  
Robert A. Leflar Law Center  
Fayetteville, AR 72701-1201  
E-MAIL: [sschneid@uark.edu](mailto:sschneid@uark.edu)

By submitting this application in electronic form, the applicant attests to the accuracy of the information provided.

## For Statistical Purposes Only:

Please indicate if you are:  
Hispanic or Latino

Yes       No

Please select one or more of the following, as applicable:

\_\_\_ American Indian OR Alaska Native

\_\_\_ Asian

\_\_\_ Black or African American

\_\_\_ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

\_\_\_ White/Caucasian

\_\_\_ Hispanic or Latino

Sex:

Male       Female

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