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**Method of Satisfying the LLM Writing Requirement**

This form must be completed **in its entirety** and signed before it is submitted to the Office of the Registrar. Selected guidelines governing the petitions process are listed on the reverse of this form.

**PLEASE PRINT:**

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 Last Name                      First                      Middle                      Anticipated Semester/Year of Graduation

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 Student Signature – **REQUIRED**                      Date

| Check One | Method Used to Satisfy the Writing Requirement  | Semester/Year of Enrollment |
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|           | A paper for a seminar designated by the instructor as requiring writing that will satisfy the writing requirement.<br><br>Seminar Title: _____<br>Instructor: _____   |                             |
|           | A piece certified to be published or nearly publishable by the faculty advisor of the Connecticut Law Review, the Connecticut Journal of International Law, the Connecticut Public Interest Law Journal, or the Connecticut Insurance Law Journal<br><br>Publication: _____<br>Advisor: _____ |                             |
|           | A thesis<br><br>Supervised by Professor: _____  |                             |
|           | A special research project of not less than two credits.<br><br>Supervised by Professor: _____  |                             |
|           | A substantial paper in a course in which the professor permits no more than 5 students to submit papers for course credit in lieu of an examination.<br><br>Course Title: _____<br>Instructor: _____  |                             |

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Faculty Member's Signature/ Date

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LLM Program Director/ Date

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LL.M. students must satisfy a 2-3 credit writing requirement as part of their degree program. The paper must be on a topic approved by the director of international programs, and written on a graded basis. There are several ways the writing requirement can be fulfilled:

- a. Writing a thesis, as described below,
- b. In conjunction with a class that requires a substantial paper (minimum 20 page length),
- c. With the permission of the instructor at the beginning of the course, substituting a substantial paper for an examination,
- d. As a special research project of not less than two credits supervised by a full-time or adjunct faculty member,
- e. Writing a piece certified to be published or nearly publishable by the faculty advisor of the Connecticut Law Review, the Connecticut Journal of International Law, the Connecticut Public Interest Law Journal, or the Connecticut Insurance Law Journal

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### **Thesis**

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LL.M. students may, at their option, write a thesis for 3 credits that satisfies the writing requirement. A thesis is a substantial paper that is of publishable or near publishable quality, and involves supervised drafts. LL.M. students must write a thesis if they wish to be considered for honors. A thesis can be written in two ways:

- a. As part of a 3 credit course with permission of the instructor, who acts as the thesis advisor,
- b. As a special 3 credit research project supervised by a full-time faculty member