LL.M. in U.S. Legal Studies

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Qianli You, China

“At UConn Law, I’ve found an excellent atmosphere for cultural exchange on many levels. The faculty members are highly accessible, the student community is truly diverse, and the curriculum is extensive. My LL.M. experience was so great that I transferred from the LL.M. to UConn’s J.D. program.”

Rojia Afshar, Iran

“I wanted to learn about the rule of law abroad, and UConn has given me that chance. Now I’m writing a graduate thesis about Criminal Justice Reform in the United States. UConn Law has given me the opportunity to study crucial issues that I deeply care about.”

Phillipp Neidel, Germany

“When I first arrived, I was stunned by the beauty of the campus and the personal attention I received from professors and staff. The chance to easily meet and mesh with American J.D. students was great, and I liked the ease of travel to cities like Boston and New York.”

Mercy Natukunda, Uganda

“The best aspect about UConn Law is that our classes are comprised of students from every corner of this globe. All the comparisons have allowed me to understand my own country better. Hartford and Kampala are so different, but the international orientation program here at UConn Law really helped me settle in quickly and familiarize myself with how things are done in America.”
Judge Fernando Luiz represents the excellence of the UConn School of Law’s LL.M. program. The valedictorian of his LL.M. class, his time at UConn also included an externship at a mediation center in Bangalore, India — a unique opportunity for select students that only UConn offers. Here are some of Judge Luiz’s reflections:

On the educational experience:
“Right from the beginning of the LL.M. program, our professors were committed to providing us with the best education possible. We had a great introductory course in American law and legal history, but we also had a lot of options in our course of study. It let me choose classes that really help me in my career as a jurist.”

On the cultural experience:
“The cultural diversity created a unique learning environment. With our J.D. friends — the American students with whom we studied — we could learn the American way of life. We got to know the values that make America an amazing country. We could also share a little of our own culture with them, too. Look, the international LL.M. program is really a melting pot, a place where we can find the whole world studying together in one room.”

On his professional transformation:
“As soon as I came back from my mediation externship I was able to use some of the techniques I learned in India to settle a complex case! Everybody — even I — was amazed to see that this particular case settled, and the advocates and the parties were really happy with the outcome. For sure, after my unique training in Bangalore, I’ll be a different judge from now on. Since returning to Brazil, I’ve been promoted to the Electoral Appellate Court, and I’m certain that studying at UConn Law played a big role in that.”

Academically, personally, and professionally, Judge Luiz excelled at UConn. Now we invite you to experience the transformation that the UConn School of Law offers for yourself.
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