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DONALD P. KLEKAMP COLLEGE OF LAW

Introducing Paths to Study Law in the U.S.

University of Cincinnati College of Law Master's in the U.S. Legal System (LLM)

- Students preparing to complete the French license or Master's degree may apply directly to the University of Cincinnati at law.uc.ude/llm
- Students in the *Droit international, Droit des affaires, or Droit pénal et sciences criminelles Master's Degree Programs may apply for a DOUBLE-DEGREE option through Ms. Carine Berthe.*
  - The double degree allows you to spend the second year of your UB studies in Cincinnati, and the credits are counted towards both your UC and UB degrees.
- Partial Scholarships are available to reduce the cost of tuition at Cincinnati Law.

What is an LLM degree?

LLM = Master's in Law with a focus on the U.S. Legal System that is designed for foreign-trained lawyers

Graduates go on to work at prestigious law firms, companies, government legal offices, and universities.

The LLM degree gives law grads an edge when looking for a job.


Cincinnati, Ohio, USA



The City of Cincinnati

--More fortune 500 companies per capita than New York, Chicago or Los Angeles

--A top 10 U.S. city for young professionals by Forbes

--One of the best bargain cities in America by Forbes

--One of the top 10 US safest cities by Forbes

--Top 15 Happiest Cities in America ☺





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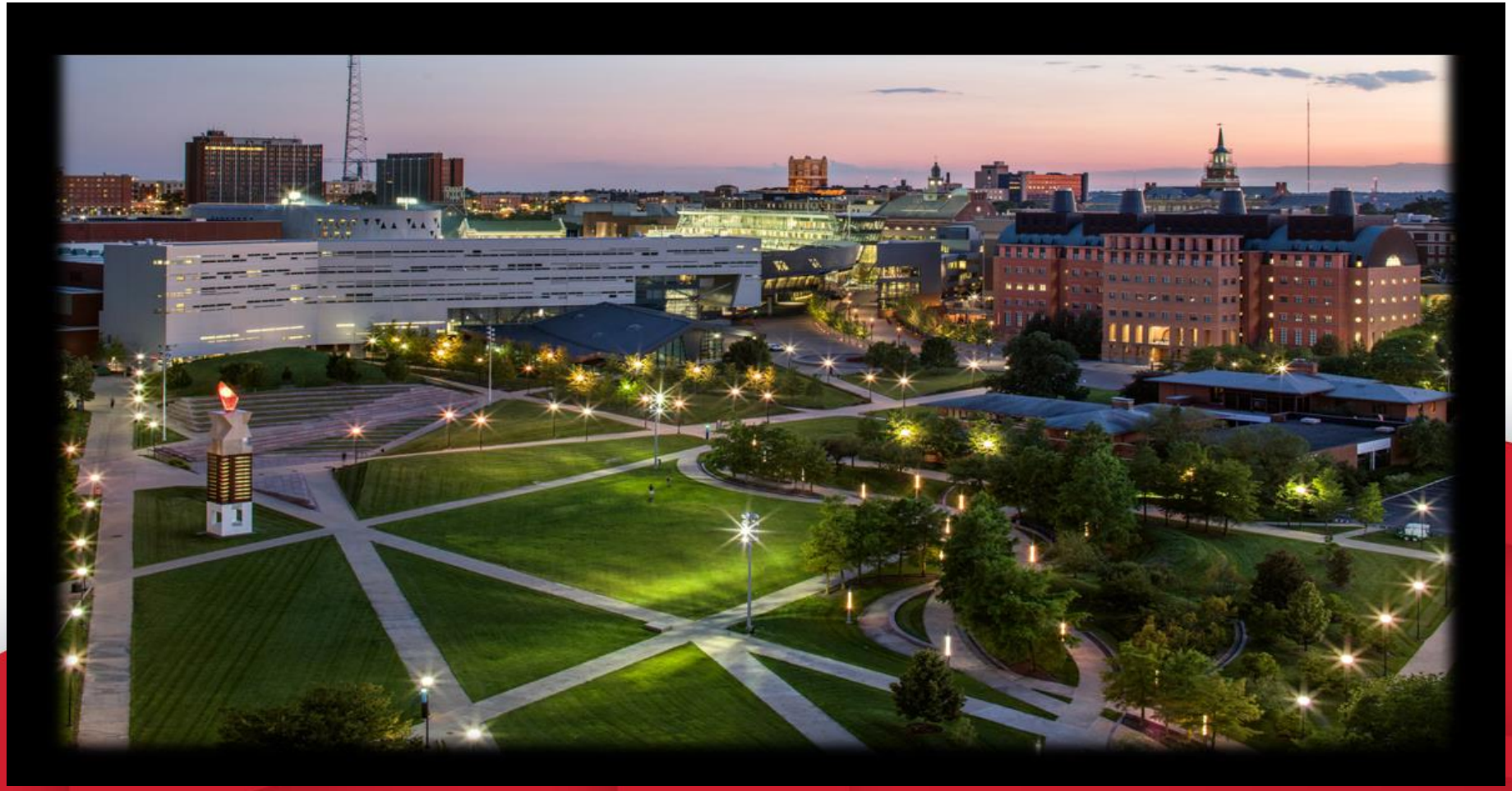


The University of Cincinnati

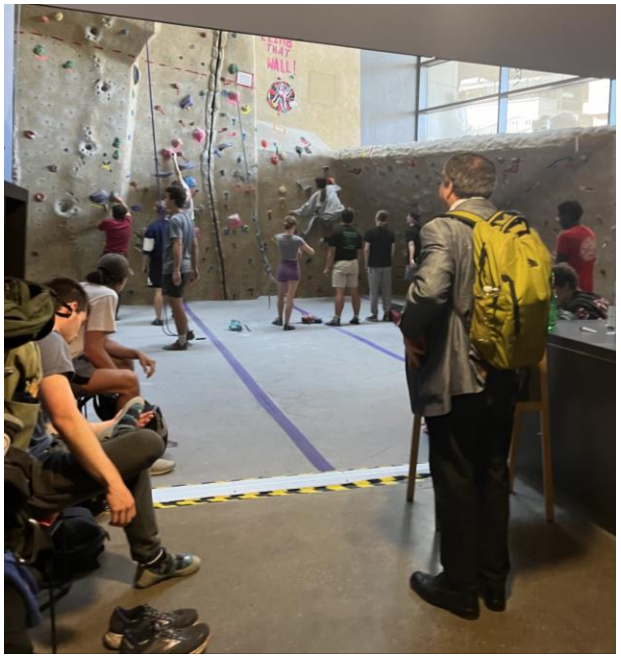
Founded in 1819, the University of Cincinnati is a comprehensive public university, ranked in the *Top 100 Public Universities* in the U.S.

- Known for academic research and excellence
- #3 in U.S. for internships/coops (*U.S. News & World Report*, 2026)
- Top 200 Best Colleges in America (*Niche*)
- About 54,000 total students, including almost 4,000 international students
- #1 recreation center on a U.S. college campus





Rec Center (Free to Students)









Game Days



The College of Law

- A history of innovation since 1833
- 4th oldest law school in the U.S.



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—*International Jurist*'s Honor Roll for LLM program **value and experience**
—No. 1 return on investment (PolicyMic)
—A five-time "Best Value Law School" (*National Jurist*)

—4th oldest U.S. law school
—Accredited by the ABA
—Charter member of the American Association of Law Schools
—8:1 student-to-faculty ratio
—About 425 students
—Six law clinics

A New Home for UC Law Since 2022

- New facility to create open, modern, light-filled spaces for the College of Law's close-knit student community
- A prominent location will place UC Law in the heart of campus
- Completely upgraded classroom technology
- Expanded library facilities
- Centralized student services
- UC Law's new home expands spaces for our six centers and institutes to allow impactful learning and research to thrive.
- A dedicated Lounge for LLM students to study and socialize







Master of Laws (LLM) in the U.S. Legal System

- Two-semester program (August to May)
- Small classes, diverse student group, special-access experiences
- Develop your English writing skills
- Gain in-depth understanding of the U.S. legal process
- Be better able to represent U.S. clients
- Build relationships with U.S. law students and faculty
- Network with local lawyers, judges, and business leaders





CINCINNATI LAW LLM:
International Jurist Honor Roll
for best value and experience
in 2023, 2024, and 2025

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Curriculum



Most classes are chosen by YOU

- Only 2 required courses: U.S. Legal System, U.S. Legal Research and Writing
- Choice of 7–9 additional classes, taken with U.S. JD students, selected from our course catalog of more than 160 courses offered each year
- Optional Concentrations in
  - Business Law
  - International Legal Studies
  - Criminal Law
  - Social Justice
- Assistant Dean Nora Burke Wagner provides individual academic advising



Special Behind-the-Scenes Access to the U.S. Legal System





LLM students experience the U.S. legal system through field trips, networking, and direct-observation opportunities

—Visit corporate settings and in-house counsel

—Observe proceedings at state or federal courthouse

—Meet politicians, local lawyers and judges, and much more

Financial Information

UC Law Tuition = Approximately $30,000 for the two-semester LLM program.

Total cost of attendance on an F-1 visa is approximately $51,000,* which includes tuition, law student fee, living expenses, books, health insurance, and the international student fee.

SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE

- No. 3 Most Affordable Law School in the nation. -- *U.S. News*
- Cincinnati is one of the Top 10 Most Affordable Places to Live in the U.S. in 2025.



** Subject to increase*

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UC/UB Partnership Scholarships

Double Degree available for UB International Law, Business Law, and Criminal Law Master's students. Apply to mobility office.

https://droit.u-bordeaux.fr/international/formations-internationales/doubles-dimplomes/double-diplome-avec-luniversite-de-cincinnati-etats-unis

UB students in other programs may apply directly to UC Law through the LSAC website at LSAC.org.

Two 50% tuition scholarships are reserved for double-degree students from U. of Bordeaux. One additional scholarship reserved $9,000. Additional scholarships of $9,000 available.

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How To Apply

UC Law's LLM program requires the following application materials:

- Application at www.LSAC.org
- Personal statement
- Resume or CV
- Two letters of recommendation
- Course-by-course credential evaluation (double-degree students need only a translated transcript)
- TOEFL, IELTS, CEFR, or DuoLingo score

UB's Double Degree Presentation is available here:

https://droit.u-bordeaux.fr/international/formations-internationales/doubles-dimplomes/double-diplome-avec-luniversite-de-cincinnati-etats-unis

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Student Life at Cincinnati Law





- More than 40 student organizat and clubs
- Friendly atmosphere, “like a fam

"I thought I was coming to Cincinnati Law for an academic experience, but it was so much more. I never felt alone here; it was like a family."
—Shadiah Obaidi, LLM '20, Italy

Read more student stories here:
https://law.uc.edu/admissions-aid/llm-program/meet-our-students html



















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We would love to connect you with a current student or recent graduate to discuss their experience at UC Law! Please let us know if we can do that for you.

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