

LLM & Postgraduate Diploma **Legislative Drafting**

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LLM and POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA (LEGISLATIVE DRAFTING)

The University of the West Indies (UWI) Master of Laws programme provides advanced legal education leading to a postgraduate qualification. It is aimed at legal practitioners, academics, legislative draftpersons, and students of law seeking higher qualifications.

The LLM (Legislative Drafting) programme is designed to train lawyers in the skill of drafting legislation to further the regulation of societal affairs. In addition to instruction in the technical skill of drafting 'traditional' legislation, the programme provides the candidates with a basic understanding of treaty drafting and constitution writing. The programme brings greater intellectual depth and breadth to candidates so that they will not only be technically qualified draftpersons but also effective policy advisors to their governments and other clients. To this end, the programme requires that candidates registered for the Masters (as opposed to the Postgraduate Diploma only) take, in addition to the core course in Legislative Drafting, Public Law I (Advanced Constitutional Law), Public Law II (Advanced Administrative Law), and either: (a) two additional UWI LLM courses, or (b) a single course and to produce a research paper, or (c) a single course and to engage in a supervised legislative drafting internship.

Entry Requirements

The following persons are eligible to apply for admission into the UWI LLM (Legislative Drafting) programme:

- Graduates of The University of the West Indies holding the LLB degree;
- Graduates of The University of the West Indies or of an approved University holding a degree which includes such law subjects as shall satisfy the Board for Graduate Studies and Research;
- Graduates of The University of the West Indies, or of an approved University, who have obtained a professional legal qualification and are eligible for admission to practise in any part of the Commonwealth;
- Persons who having obtained a professional legal qualification, are admitted to practise in any part of the Commonwealth, and who have also been certified as being in practice for a minimum of five years; and
- Graduates of The University of the West Indies or of an approved University, who satisfy the Board for Graduate Studies and Research of their capability to undertake the course of study leading to the award of the UWI LLM or Postgraduate Diploma in Law degrees.

The suitability of applicants to the UWI LLM or the Postgraduate Diploma (Legislative Drafting) will be determined in accordance with the above criteria, through an examination of their academic and practical experiences. Letters of reference will also be used to determine suitability.

Students with a third class or pass degree will not normally be admitted to read for the UWI LLM (Legislative Drafting).

Qualifying Examination

Applicants may, at the discretion of the Board for Graduate Studies and Research, be required to take a qualifying examination consisting of at least two papers of a minimum of two hours each. The exam shall be of a standard equivalent to that of Part II or Part III of the LLB degree examination in order to satisfy the Board of their suitability to undertake the course of degree leading to the UWI LLM (Legislative Drafting).

Language of Instruction

The language of instruction is English and applicants whose native language is not English may be required to take an English Proficiency Test set on behalf of the Board for Graduate Studies and Research.

Method of Delivery

The courses for the LLM and Postgraduate Diploma in Legislative Drafting will be delivered through blended learning, combining face-to-face instruction and modern distance learning techniques. Students are also required to attend the Cave Hill Campus for two to four intensive, residential sessions. Dates for these sessions, which may be one or more weeks in duration, will be announced at the beginning of the semester.

Time of Entry

The LLM in (Legislative Drafting) begins in Semester 1.

Programme Structure / Course of Study

LLM

Candidates registered for the UWI LLM in Legislative Drafting must complete the following:

- The core, two-semester course in LAW 6740 Legislative Drafting (12 credit hours)
- Public Law I – Advanced Constitutional Law (6 credit hours)
- Public Law II – Advanced Administrative Law (6 credit hours)

For their remaining credits, candidates in the UWI LLM in Legislative Drafting programme may:

- i. select any two (2) courses offered in the UWI LLM programme; or
- ii. select one (1) course offered in the UWI LLM programme and apply to complete a research paper on a topic in Legislative Drafting or on a topic in either Public Law I or Public Law II or on such other topic as the Faculty may permit; or
- iii. select one (1) course offered in the UWI LLM programme and apply to complete a supervised internship course focusing on legislative drafting.

The Research Paper and Supervised Legislative Drafting Internship courses are each worth six (6) credit hours.

Course-Based Option

- First Semester : Public Law I – Advanced Constitutional Law, Legislative Drafting, and one additional UWI LLM course;
- Second Semester: Public Law II – Advanced Administrative Law, Legislative Drafting, and one additional UWI LLM course.

Research Paper or Internship Option

- First Semester: Public Law I – Advanced Constitutional Law, Legislative Drafting, and one additional UWI LLM course;
- Second Semester: Public Law II – Advanced Administrative Law, Legislative Drafting;
- Summer session: Research Paper or Supervised Legislative Drafting Internship

Postgraduate Diploma

Candidates registered for the Postgraduate Diploma in Legislative Drafting will be awarded the diploma on successful completion of the core course in Legislative Drafting and any two other courses in the list of courses for the UWI LLM.

A candidate who has registered for the LLM in Legislative Drafting but only completes the core course in Legislative Drafting and any two other courses in the list of courses for the UWI LLM will be awarded the Postgraduate Diploma in Legislative Drafting.

Students must apply for approval to register in Law 6900 Research Paper or Law 6910 Supervised Legislative Drafting Internship before the end of the second semester or teaching session from the commencement of the programme by the student.

Cost

This is a University Grants Committee (UGC) funded programme.

Information regarding fees (programme fee, ID card fee & UWI registration fee) for Barbadian and non-national applicants can be found at: www.cavehill.uwi.edu/studentfinancing/home.aspx.

Please note that fees are subject to change.

LIST OF COURSES

Note that not all courses may be offered every year.

- Public Law I – Advanced Constitutional Law
- Public Law II – Advanced Administrative Law
- Legislative Drafting
- Supervised Legislative Drafting Internship
- Research Paper

Electives

(1 or 2 from other courses in LLM programme)

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MA/MPhil/PhD degree in Cultural Studies
Practice-based assessment

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MA Global African Studies

MPhil/PhD •French •Spanish •Linguistics

MA Heritage Studies

MA History

MA Linguistics

MA Reparatory Justice
(Joint with University of Glasgow)

MPhil/PhD Literatures in English

School of Education

MEd/PGDip Education (Secondary)

MPhil/PhD Philosophy

Codrington College

MA Theology

FACULTY OF LAW

LLM (Master of Law) /PGDip
with specialisations in: •Corporate and
Commercial Law •Intellectual Property
•Legislative Drafting & Public Law

LLM (UWI-Leuphana double LLM)

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MPhil/PhD Law

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•Anaesthetics and Intensive Care
•Emergency Medicine

PGDip/DM •Family Medicine •General
Surgery •Internal Medicine •Obstetrics
and Gynaecology •Ophthalmology
•Paediatrics •Psychiatry

MPhil/PhD •Epidemiology •Immunology
•Medical Microbiology •Public Health

MSc Nursing: •Education •Administration

PGDip Paediatric Nursing

MPhil/PhD Pharmacology

MPH Public Health

UWI-PAHO Certificate and PGDip
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MPhil/PhD •Biochemistry •Biology

•Chemistry •Ecology

MPhil/PhD •Computer Science
•Electronics •Mathematics •Physics

MPhil/PhD Environmental Studies

MSc Biosafety

MSc Information Technology

MSc/PGDip Technology Entrepreneurship

Centre for Resource Management and Environmental Studies

MSc Natural Resource and Environmental
Management

MPhil/PhD Natural Resource Management

MSc Renewable Energy Management

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MSc Applied Psychology

MSc Banking and Finance

MSc Building and Construction
Management

MSc Counselling Psychology

MSc E-Governance in Developing States

MSc Financial and Business Economics

MPhil/PhD •Economics •Governance
& Public Policy •Economic Development
Policy •Social Policy; Political Science
•Social Work •Sociology

MSc Integration Studies

MSc International Management

MSc Logistics and Supply Chain
Management

MSc Sociology

PGDip Substance Abuse Management

MSc Tourism and Events Management

MSc Tourism and Hospitality Management

MSc Tourism Marketing

MSc Tourism with Project Management

MSc Tourism and Sport Management

MSW Social Work with concentration

Cave Hill School of Business and Management

MSc Accounting and Finance
(ACCA Embedded)

International Master in Business
Administration (IMBA)

Doctorate in Business Administration

MSc Business Analytics
with specialisations

MSc/MPhil/PhD Finance

MSc Finance and Investments

MSc Human Resource Management

MSc International Business

MSc International Business and Finance

MSc International Business and Trade

MSc Investments and Wealth Management

MSc Labour and Employment Relations

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MSc/PGDip Gender and

Development Studies

MPhil/PhD Gender and

Development Studies

FACULTY OF SPORT Academy of Sport

MSc Sport Sciences



The UWI offers even more MPhil and PhD programmes. Information on these as well as our application process, online application forms, and the documentation required can be found at:

www.cavehill.uwi.edu/gradstudies