

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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## THOSE WHO HAVE COMPLETED UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES

If you would like to practice law in the United States after graduation, then you must apply for the JD program. To apply you must submit the following:

- LSAT score
- TOEFL score (Test of English as a Foreign Language), if required by specific school
- Transcripts from all non-US/Canadian institutions.

If you plan on practicing law in a country outside the United States and would like to become familiar with the United States legal system you may be interested in an LLM program. An LLM is a Master's of Law in comparative law and takes one year to complete. Completion of the LLM degree does not qualify you to take the bar exam or practice law in most states, including Utah. It is designed for students who are committed to practicing law in a country other than the United States. You do not need to take the LSAT, but you do need:

- Bachelor's of Law from a country other than the United States
- Certification or eligibility to practice law in that country
- TOEFL score, if English is not the primary language of your native country

## THOSE WHO HAVE COMPLETED UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION IN THE UNITED STATES

If you wish to attend a law school in the United States, the law school application process is the same as it is for US applicants. It is important, however, to determine what the bar licensing process looks like for international and/or undocumented students. We recommend that students contact the specific state bar and see what their requirements are for practicing and licensure.

## FINANCIAL AID FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The US government requires all American law schools to verify that international students can provide evidence of financial support necessary to complete the JD or LLM program. You may provide evidence of financial support in one or more of the following ways:

- Proof of necessary cash from personal savings (submit a recent official bank statement)
- Contract of support from parents or a sponsor who will pay educational expenses
- Proof of a grant or funding from your government or another agency (enclose an official letter verifying the amount and the length of time of the award)
- Proof of a scholarship or assistantship from a department at the law school you will be attending

International students are not eligible for US government aid (such as Federal Stafford Loans). For more information on loans for international students, contact the law schools you are applying to.

International students are eligible for any scholarships, assistantships, and internships that may be awarded through the law school.