



Your passport to a U.S. legal education



DREXEL UNIVERSITY
Thomas R. Kline
School of Law



**A Philadelphia
institution and national
leader in higher
education innovation
since 1891**



Distinguish yourself from the competition. The Kline School of Law offers students a unique opportunity to learn from respected faculty with a unique commitment to teaching the distinct skills of American legal practice. *U.S. News & World Report* has recognized Drexel University as one of the nation's Top 8 Most Innovative Universities. *U.S. News* ranks the Kline School of Law #24 in the nation for its all-important Legal Writing program. *The National Law Journal* ranked the Kline School of Law the nation's #30 law school for job placements. And the law school's international programs earned an A+ from *International Jurist*.

The Kline School of Law stands apart from other law schools by offering small classes and personalized education in a close and supportive community. And most importantly, our programs give students an opportunity to gain firsthand legal experience by working side by side with American lawyers. Our co-op externships allow students to earn credit by working in corporate offices, law firms, government agencies or the courts for 15 weeks.

Learn about our:

LLM in American Legal Practice

for internationally trained attorneys who seek an in-depth understanding of the U.S. legal system.

Global Access JD

for internationally educated law school graduates who wish to practice law in their home country and the U.S.

- Generous scholarships for highly qualified applicants
- LSAT is not required for either program



How did we earn an ‘A+’?

Our practical approach and personal focus

International Jurist gave the Kline School of Law an A+ for the quality of experience that international students receive. The school is a close-knit community where students receive personal attention from the faculty and staff. In keeping with Drexel University, an undisputed national leader in experiential education, the law school puts hands-on learning at the center of its curriculum through externship, clinical and community-based programs.

The Global JD and LLM programs build on relationships the law school has established with hundreds of externship partners.

Our Co-op Externship allows students who have a strong facility in English and have demonstrated success in the classroom to work inside a corporation, a law firm, a judicial office or government agency. Participating students spend up to two days each week gaining hands-on exposure to the practice

of law, receiving one-on-one guidance from accomplished attorneys.

Every student works with a faculty advisor to design a curriculum unique to his or her own interests. Students also collaborate with faculty on their scholarly projects, contributing to articles and taking part in reading groups with professors and their colleagues.

International students are full participants in the life of the law school, representing clients in clinics, serving as editors for the *Drexel Law Review* and helping to host speakers, panels and conferences. Student organizations sponsor events focused on business law, intellectual property law, international law and other areas of practice. These activities provide additional opportunities to learn more about U.S. law, professional practice and career strategies, while enabling students to socialize with other members of the law school community.

LLM in American Legal Practice

The LLM, typically completed in one year, takes advantage of the Kline School of Law’s diverse and dynamic course offerings.

Foundation courses, from Introduction to the U.S. Legal System to legal Methods, Contract Law and Legal English, provide an immersion in the U.S. legal system.

Students may work with faculty to design a personalized curriculum that suits their interests or concentrate in one of four specialized tracks:

- Business and Commercial Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- International Law
- U.S. Bar Exam Preparation

Global Access JD

The Global JD provides students with up to 28 advanced standing credits from their non-U.S. law degrees so that they can complete their degree in as little as two years.

Optional concentrations are available in:

- Business and Entrepreneurial Law
- Criminal Law
- Health Law
- Intellectual Property Law

Students gain professional practice experience and build networks with seasoned attorneys and judges through co-op externships, clinics and pro bono service.



“Our Co-op Externship Program gives students a chance to learn how American lawyers do business and to meet prominent professionals in the field.”

- Professor Reena Parambath



A Global Community





Law School events draw professionals from diverse backgrounds in law, business, science and policy



Kline administrators gave visitors from Nankai University in Tianjin, China a tour of Philadelphia that included the Court of Common Pleas



Students from the National School of Administration and Magistracy in Yaoundé, Cameroon visited Kline to learn about legal education in the U.S.

Drexel's student body features **3,000 international students** from more than 100 countries

The Kline School of Law is a close-knit, lively and collegial community that includes students from many nations, including Iran, Saudi Arabia, Israel, China, Armenia, Ukraine, Mexico, Colombia, Kenya, France and Australia.

Our students have backgrounds in civil and common law, as well as Shariah. While some arrive with just an LLB, others have already earned an LL.M, and still others have practiced in domestic and international firms prior to enrolling at Kline.

The school welcomes visitors from many countries, and the school has developed exchange programs that enable U.S. students to study abroad.

The Kline School of Law is **an active legal community**

Students join and create organizations to advance their interests, from the Intellectual Property Law Society to the Asian Pacific American Law Students Association and the Environmental Law Society.

International students take an active part in Kline community, even arguing cases in the U.S. Court of Appeals.

The law school hosts varied conferences and panel discussions and holds events with diverse institutions and firms. Events in 2016-17 included:

- Presentations by cybersecurity experts on national and international threats
- Mock negotiations between students and attorneys from some of Philadelphia's most prestigious law firms
- A symposium on the evolving U.S. immigration policy that featured human rights advocates as well as legal scholars from Yale, Stanford and New York University.

Meet our global students

Julius Müller-Auffermann, LL.M

Julius completed the LL.M in American Legal Practice at Kline, conducting research on the proper scope of extraterritorial criminal jurisdiction. Before coming to Kline, he practiced as an attorney at DIERLAMM Rechtsanwälte, a leading German firm in Wiesbaden.

Bachelor, Masters in Law,
Johannes Gutenberg Universität

Passed New York Bar Exam
Clerking for Superior Court Judge in New Jersey



Elizabeth (Xi) Wang, Global Access JD

LL.B, Peking University; LL.M, University of Pennsylvania Law School

Elizabeth is concentrating her studies in Business and Entrepreneurship Law as a student in the Global JD program. In Beijing, China, she practiced as a legal consultant at Linklaters LLP, one of the world's leading international law firms.

“The quality of education here is no less than what you find at an Ivy League institution. The approachable faculty, the warm staff and the diversity of students of different ages and from different backgrounds make this a very collegial community.”

- Elizabeth (Xi) Wang

Ruba Noor, Global Access JD

After her first year at Kline, Ruba won a competitive summer clerkship position at 2016 at Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney, a highly regarded national law firm. She provides pro bono legal service through the Pennsylvania Innocence Project.

LLB (with Honours), University
of London International Programs,
Islamabad School of Law

2017 Summer Legal Intern
Community Health Law Project



Grigor Chobanyan, LL.M

LLB, Yerevan State University, Yerevan, Armenia

A Fulbright student and a native of Armenia, Grigor completed his LL.M in May 2017. He was selected by the U.S. State Department to receive an Edmund S. Muskie Internship, which is supporting his work at White and Williams.

Teachers. Scholars. Practitioners.

Kline School of Law faculty are recognized scholars and innovative teachers who have practiced law in domestic and international arenas. Our faculty graduated from the most widely recognized American law schools, including Yale, Harvard, Columbia, New York University, Northwestern, Duke, the University of Chicago and UCLA.

Our distinguished faculty includes:



Professor Reena Parambath

Director, Co-op Externship Program, a former business litigator who was a partner at Rawle & Henderson and served as an assistant city solicitor in the City of Philadelphia Law Department.



Professor Pammela S. Quinn

A former attorney-adviser in the U.S. State Department's Office of the Legal Advisor, who practiced at O'Melveny & Meyers, an international firm in Washington D.C.



Professor Karl Okamoto

Director, Business and Entrepreneurship Law Program, an entrepreneur and former partner at global firms Dechert and Kirkland & Ellis, who also practiced at internationally known Skadden Arps.

Several practiced as associates and partners in major American and international law firms in New York, Washington, Chicago, Philadelphia and the Silicon Valley while others are leaders in developing new laws and policies.

Most of them served in prestigious clerkships with high level federal judges. Engaging inside the classroom and accessible outside of the classroom, these professors will provide you with a rigorous introduction to principles of law as well as keen insights about professional practice.



Professor Anil Kalhan

A recognized scholar in comparative law who handled international human rights matters while practicing with Cleary Gottlieb in New York City and holds leadership posts within the Association of American Law Schools.



Professor Amy Landers

Director, Intellectual Property Law Program, patent law expert and former partner in the Silicon Valley office of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, a renowned international and IP firm.



Professor Clare Keefe Coleman

Director of International Student Programs, a litigator who practiced with leading firms and is an experienced writing teacher, editor and writer.

Philadelphia: No better location in the United States

Philadelphia is a lively metropolitan area of more than 6 million people that has been ranked the #1 Most Exciting Place to See in the U.S. by Lonely Planet and the #2 Best Place to Vacation in the U.S. by *U.S. News*. It's also been named one of America's hottest cities of the future by *Business Insider* and a *Top 20 Emerging Startup Hub*. Because of its central location, it is within a two-hour train ride of New York City and Washington, D.C.

Drexel University is located in Philadelphia's University City neighborhood, which it shares with the University of Pennsylvania. The neighborhood feels like a small college town that features 7,500 international students within 2 square kilometers, an active intellectual community, restaurants that serve diverse international cuisines, and book stores, clothing retailers and other shops.

#4
Most Walkable City
in the U.S.

#1
in culture by
Travel+Leisure

#2
largest East
Coast city

The campus is located close to the airport and just blocks from 30th Street Train Station, putting it within easy reach of other major cities. University City is so close to downtown that students can walk to their co-op externships.

Philadelphia is an affordable city that offers a huge variety of galleries, museums, performing arts venues, athletic arenas, historic sites and the nation's largest municipal park. It's easy to find Halal and kosher food, Indian and Ethiopian delicacies, a dim sum brunch or a Brazilian churrascaria nearby, thanks to the wide range of nationalities and ethnic groups that call Philadelphia home.



Drexel University and the Kline School of Law

Drexel is a comprehensive research university that includes schools of medicine, business, engineering, computing, public health, nursing and entrepreneurship as well as law. The University takes part in NCAA Division I sports, including basketball, soccer, golf, crew, tennis and wrestling.

The Kline School of Law has set a new standard for incorporating experiential learning in legal education, giving students unparalleled opportunities to prepare for legal practice in diverse professional settings.

The University offers numerous services and forms of support to international students:

- The English Language Center, which offers intensive English courses focusing on written and oral communication as well as advising
- International Student Orientation
- American Culture Series Workshops

Philadelphia's nearby International House sponsors many multicultural programs and activities in the arts and humanities.

Admission Requirements

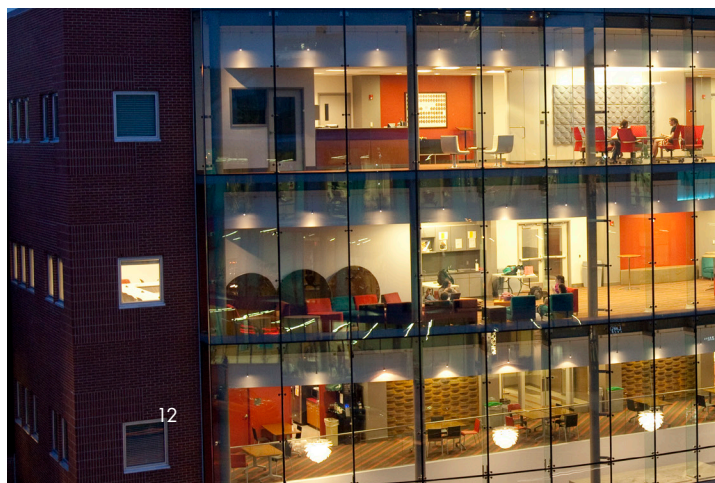
Students must have completed an undergraduate or graduate degree in law. All applicants must submit:

- a personal essay describing their interest in the program and future professional goals
- two letters of recommendation
- academic transcript(s) verified by the LSAC Credential Assembly Service (CAS)
- current resumé or cv
- TOEFL or IELTS score for those who have a degree not conferred by an institution where English is the primary language of instruction

Information for Applicants

- The Kline School of Law offers exceptional applicants merit and country-based scholarships
- No application fee; all applicants are automatically considered for scholarships
- No LSAT required
- An interview in person or via Skype is required

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The Kline School of Law
was ranked #46 on Above
the Law's **Top 50 Law
Schools** list in 2017.

Degree:	Traditional American JD	Global Access JD	LLM in American Legal Practice
Length of Program/ Required credits?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 years • 85 credits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 years (or longer) • Enter with up to 28 advanced standing credits for your non-U.S. law degree toward the 85 required credits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 year (or longer) • 24 credits (possibly more, if you want to sit for a bar exam in New York or California)
Can I gain hands-on legal experience through Drexel's unique Co-Op Externships?	15-week co-op externship in a law firm, corporation, government office or NGO or participation in a legal clinic is required	15-week co-op externship in a law firm, corporation, government office or NGO or participation in a legal clinic is required	Yes, if you have a strong command of English and do well in your classes, you will be able to complete a Co-op Externship lasting 15-weeks or a field practicum
Do you have scholarships?	Yes	Yes. Country-based scholarships are available. Highly qualified applicants may also be eligible for merit-based scholarships	Yes. Country-based scholarships are available. Highly qualified applicants may also be eligible for merit-based scholarships
Can I sit for the bar exam after I earn this degree?	Yes, in any state in the U.S.	Yes, in any state in the U.S.	Some states, including NY and California, allow students with non-U.S. law degrees and an LLM to sit for their bar. However, each state has very specific requirements (e.g., extra classes, legal experience, etc.) that you must meet to take the exam
To apply, what degree do I need to have?	Undergraduate degree	Undergraduate degree in law from outside the U.S. or an LLM	Undergraduate degree in law from outside the U.S. or an LLM
Is the LSAT (Law School Admission Test) required?	Yes	No	No
Is the TOEFL or the IELTS required?	Yes, if you did not receive your degree from an institution where English is the primary language of instruction. Most students score 100 or higher on the TOEFL or 7.5 or higher on IELTS	Yes, if you did not receive your degree from an institution where English is the primary language of instruction. Most students score 100 or higher on the TOEFL or 7.5 or higher on IELTS	Yes, if you did not receive your degree from an institution where English is the primary language of instruction. Most students score 88 or higher on the TOEFL or 6.5 or higher on IELTS
Do you offer conditional admission?	Yes	Yes. If you are academically admissible apart from your TOEFL/IELTS scores, you may receive conditional admission through the Graduate Bridge program offered in conjunction with Drexel's renowned English Language Center	Yes. If you are academically admissible apart from your TOEFL/IELTS scores, you may receive conditional admission through the Graduate Bridge program offered in conjunction with Drexel's renowned English Language Center

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