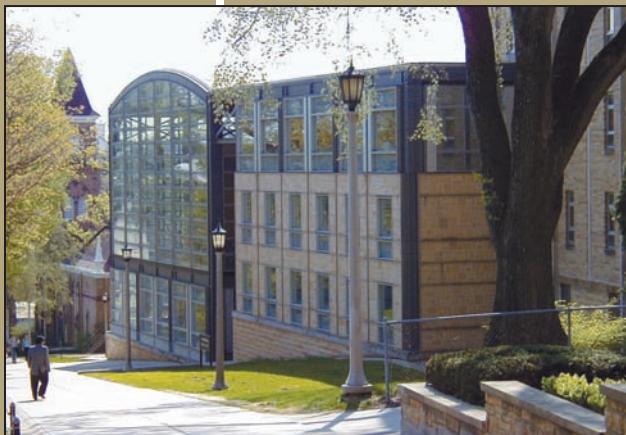




The University of Wisconsin
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EAST ASIAN LEGAL STUDIES CENTER



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Advanced Legal Studies



Legal Sources class, fall 2009

The East Asian Legal Studies Center works with the Graduate Admissions Office at the Law School to advise international students who come to the Law School for advanced legal studies (typically, after the bachelor of laws degree in the home country). Most students enroll in the Master of Laws – Legal Institutions (LLM-LI) program, a one-year master’s program in law that offers a wide selection of courses from the Law School’s curriculum. Students in the LLM-LI program gain a solid foundation in American law and make lasting friendships. After receiving the Legal Institutions degree, some students focus on research and thesis projects in the Law School’s LLM or SJD programs.

“Being a student in the Graduate Programs at the UW Law School has been a wonderful experience. I’ve had a chance to study hard while meeting people from different countries and cultures. I will always remember my student days in Madison!”

- comment from C. Whang (former Legal Institutions student; current SJD candidate)



Students in Legal Sources class

For more information about Graduate Programs at the Law School, see <http://www.law.wisc.edu/grad>

Course and Library Enhancement



Law School classroom

The Center enriches the Law School’s curriculum with courses designed specifically for LLM-LI students, including:

Introduction to American Law – introduces the main areas and policies of American law.

Legal Sources – helps LLM-LI students learn the skills needed for analyzing problems using American cases and teaches research skills using core legal sources.

Legal Writing for LLM-LI Students – teaches how to organize and write legal documents used in law firms and courts.

The Center also encourages the development of courses on international topics; these courses are taken by both JD and LLM-LI students. Recent examples are:

- Legal Issues between North America and East Asia
- Japanese Law
- World Trade Organization and Free Trade Agreements Negotiations
- Chinese Law

The Center annually supplements the extensive collection of the Law Library with sources related to the legal systems of countries of East and Southeast Asia.

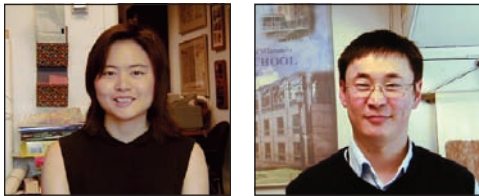
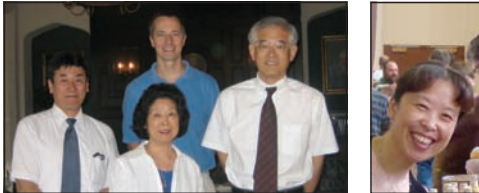


Law Library Grand Reading Room

For information about courses at the Law School, see <http://www.law.wisc.edu/academics/courses>

Scholarly Exchanges

The Center has hosted many visitors at the Law School over the years. Visitors have ranged from young academics doing research to established professionals who may combine research with some teaching during their visit. If you are interested in knowing more about the Center's small but significant visiting scholar program, please contact the Center directly by email.



Professional Programs and Outreach



Participants in the Judicial Skills Training Seminar at the Wisconsin Supreme Court, with Chief Justice Abrahamson (center)

The Center has organized and sponsored or co-sponsored numerous professional programs. These programs have taken place in Madison and also at other universities and locations.

Recent professional programs that illustrate the Center's extensive capabilities and demonstrated excellence include:

Judicial Skills Training Seminar for Judges from the High People's Court, Shanghai. This program began in 2002 and combines one week of instruction in Shanghai followed by three weeks in Madison and other U.S. cities. Lectures are presented by law professors, judicial representatives, lawyers, and judges. The seminar also has opportunities for participants to observe state and federal courtrooms in action.

Seminar and Internship on Municipal Government Administration for Shanghai's Minhang District. This program includes one week of instruction in Shanghai for municipal government officials followed by several weeks in Madison and other cities in the U.S. for lectures by professors and professionals in the field in both formal and informal settings. A shadow internship is part of this seminar.

The Center also has developed short conferences lasting from one-half day to multiple days on a variety of topics. The Center's Director and Vice-Director would be pleased to consider your program ideas and can be contacted by email.

For details about the Center's outreach programs, see <http://www.law.wisc.edu/ealsc/outreach.html>

Student Opportunities



Law School interns in Bangkok with judges of the Central Intellectual Property Court and Thammasat University officials

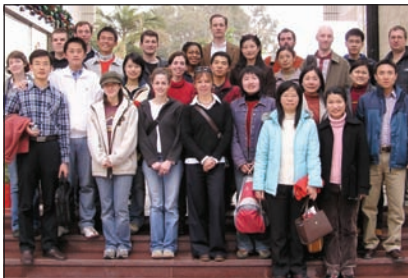
The Center is pleased to be able to offer JD students various work and research opportunities, such as the Bangkok Summer Internship (in cooperation with Thammasat University), short courses with universities in East and Southeast Asia, and travel research grants.

"I could not conceive of a better way to spend my first summer in law school. I learned more than I imagined about myself, the law, and the world in general."

- comment from a Bangkok summer intern

"I feel as if I have gained a new perspective and am grateful that I had the opportunity to participate in this excellent program."

- comment from a short course program participant



Professor Ohnesorge with student participants in the "Law and Development in Northeast Asia" seminar, Xiamen, China

For more information, visit
http://www.law.wisc.edu/ealsc/jd_students/

Center Personnel



The Center was established in 1990 by Professor **Charles R. Irish**, who has brought his wealth of knowledge in tax law and tax policy and his international experience in teaching, advising, and research to the Center's programs and activities since the Center first began. **Professor John K.M. Ohnesorge**, the Center's Vice-Director, brings his expertise in Asian law, as well as law and economic development, to continue the missions of the Center. Professor **W. Lawrence Church** has acted as a consultant to the Center since its inception.



Amy Arntsen is the Center's Program Associate as well as the Program Associate for the Law School's Graduate Admissions office. Ms. Arntsen, a former teacher of international students, coordinates the Center's interactions with Graduate Programs students to ensure that they have a successful academic experience at the Law School.



The Center's Associate Director, **Susan Katcher**, assists with the Center's programs and activities, teaches in the LLM-Legal Institutions program, and assists in the Law School's Graduate Programs office. **Jessica Harrison** teaches in the LLM-Legal Institutions program. **Wenjie Hu** is the Center's Associate Outreach Specialist.

*Student
walkway
along
Bascom
Mall*



*The Terrace
at the
student
union,
on campus*



*Night view
of the
Capitol
from
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