Dear Prospective LL.M. Student:

Thank you for your interest in the Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. We are pleased to provide you a unique opportunity to study in Louisiana, the only U.S. state with a private law system based on the civil law. With the adoption of common law institutions and concepts, Louisiana is a “mixed jurisdiction”. At Loyola, you can learn both civil and common law, to give you a strategic advantage in your legal career.

You will enjoy Loyola’s global focus, drawing upon our students from many nations, our association with prestigious foreign law schools, and our location in New Orleans, a port city with a diverse cultural heritage.

We seek to provide you a high quality advanced legal education, in an enjoyable environment, as you prepare for a career in the globalized legal community.

Our faculty and staff seek to assist you in achieving your academic, personal, and career goals, whether you wish to work in Louisiana, New York, or other states post-LL.M., or return to your home country or go to a 3rd country. Loyola’s service philosophy is consistent with our Jesuit heritage, and we prioritize meeting reasonable expectations of our LL.M. students. As Dean, my door is always open to students. I believe LL.M. students should have ready access to all our faculty and staff.

I look forward to warmly welcoming you when you enroll at Loyola College of Law!

Sincerely,

María Pabón López
Dean and Judge Adrian G. Duplantier
Distinguished Professor of Law
**Why earn an LL.M. in U.S. Law at Loyola?**

- Study Civil Law in the Civil Code jurisdiction of Louisiana (like many European, Latin American & Middle Eastern jurisdictions)
- Also study Common Law (like all other U.S. states, and in the U.K., Canada, Australia & throughout the Commonwealth)
- Qualify to sit for the New York (common law), Louisiana (civil law) & other U.S. bar exams
- Work with an individual faculty mentor assigned to you to help monitor your academic success.
- Dedicated career services will help you achieve your career goals
- Gain hands on legal experience in law clinics, with real live clients
- Enjoy small, personalized legal writing & research classes
- Undertake U.S. and overseas internships, special projects and public interest activities
- Study in Loyola’s overseas summer programs
- Take specialized elective courses with J.D. students, and be immersed in U.S. legal education
- Join J.D. students in strong student organizations
- Receive a 1st class U.S. legal education in a program dedicated to its LL.M. students.
- Receive U.S. law training to help prepare you for work in a globalized economy
- Take complimentary skills courses to enhance your legal experience and knowledge.
- Enjoy life in New Orleans!

**Curriculum: LL.M. in U.S. Law**

- 24 credit hours required
- 2 semesters
- Required courses for this degree are:
  - 3 credit course “Introduction to United States Law”
  - 2 credit course “Legal Research and Writing”
  - 2 credit hour research and writing requirement
- Other classes will be set with the help of your mentor to help guide you in your area of expertise. If you intend to qualify to sit for any bar exam to become a licensed attorney in the United States of America, you will need to complete the classes required by the state of your choice prior to taking the bar exam.

**How to Apply**

- Submit a complete LL.M. application. Application available at www.lsac.org or on our website, http://law.loyno.edu/llm-united-states-law
- Earn a first degree in law from an institution outside of the U.S.
- Submit two letters of recommendation
- Submit a current curriculum vitae
- Submit transcripts from all colleges, universities, and law schools attended
- TOEFL or IELTS score required unless proficiency in English is clearly demonstrated to the director of the LL.M. program. Minimum TOEFL or IELTS scores may be found on our website, http://law.loyno.edu/llm-united-states-law.
- Rolling admissions. Students may enroll in August or January. August priority application deadline is May 1; January priority application deadline is October 1.

**Tuition and Fees: 2013 – 2014**

**Tuition**

- $1,366 per credit hour
- Tuition for one year full time study: $32,784 (24 credit hours)

**Additional Fees**

- One deposit of $350 due by August 1 for Fall entrants, January 1 for Spring entrants
- Other fees: $ 1,106

**Financial Aid**

- Loans may be available for qualifying students; please contact our Office of Law Financial Aid and Scholarships at lafinaid@loyno.edu for more information.
- Scholarships may also be available from Loyola based on merit and need. Students applying for such scholarships should obtain a form from Tori Luwisch (valuwisc@loyno.edu).
- Scholarships from your home countries, the U.S. government, or private foundations may be available. For more information regarding such scholarships, please visit the following link: http://www.llmroadmap.com/.

**Visa Requirements**

These requirements are not applicable to Green Card holders or U.S. citizens.

- Must apply for F-1 or J-1 visa
- Must show sufficient funds to provide for educational, living, and personal expenses for one year before Loyola University will issue the necessary I-20 document.