The practice of law requires superior preparation in conventional areas of legal education and the diverse disciplines intersecting with the law. Wharton Executive Education and University of Pennsylvania Law School have joined forces to offer a new certificate for students enrolled in Penn Law’s Master of Laws (LLM) degree program. Called the Wharton Business and Law Certificate, the program is ideally suited for internationally-trained attorneys who seek to develop the business skills needed to compete in today’s complex legal environment.

Program format: Drawing on key faculty and content from the Wharton School, the WBLC will introduce participants to the fundamentals of finance, accounting, strategy and responsible business practices and management. The challenging blend of interactive lectures, case studies, simulations, group discussions and faculty dialogue immerse participants in these core business concepts.

The program consists of two phases. To receive the WBLC, participants must successfully complete both phases.

**PHASE 1 — Establishing a Foundation of Business Competence**

The WBLC program starts in the summer with a three-week introduction into the concepts of strategic management and global competitive strategy. There will be an emphasis on understanding financial performance across business functions as well as a focus on building a robust business vocabulary. Classes will be held twice a week in the evenings at Wharton’s Steinberg Conference Center on the University of Pennsylvania campus in Philadelphia.

**WBLC: At A Glance**

Program will run concurrently with the Penn Law LLM program calendar. Classes will be held in Wharton’s Steinberg Conference Center.

**To Apply:**

Only Penn Law LLM students may participate. The Law School will provide a link to the online WBLC application via an email sent to all admitted LLM applicants.

+1.215.898.0407 (phone) or gradadmissions@law.upenn.edu

**For Further Information:**

Please visit the website http://execed.wharton.upenn.edu/wblc
PHASE 2 — Acquisition of Business Skills

In this stage, WBLC participants continue their rigorous preparation. WBLC participants take business courses from a wide selection of course options covering accounting, finance, responsible business practices, human resources management and business strategy. WBLC participants must take and successfully complete a total of three courses.

Selected courses emphasize the acquisition of business skills that can help attorneys to better serve business clients, manage practices, or expand one’s professional options beyond the practice of law. All courses will be held in the evenings at Wharton’s Steinberg Conference Center.

Who Should Attend

Corporate lawyers, in-house counsel, judges, bankers, and other internationally-trained legal professionals enrolled in Penn Law’s LLM program who need to acquire:

- An understanding of U.S. business culture
- Enhanced skills for the sophisticated presentation of investment propositions and financial projects
- Management concepts for developing or professionalizing a law practice or business enterprise

Benefits

- Gain exposure to the expertise of world-class faculty
- Acquire insights on business, management, and professional development from colleagues in a range of fields
- Apply academic knowledge to real-world business problems

Who is eligible:

- Penn Law students in the LLM program. (Please note that completing the WBLC will not grant a Wharton degree nor Wharton alumni status to participants.)

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