

Widener University

School of Law International Programs

## LAUSANNE SUMMER INSTITUTE

## Greetings:

I would like to bring you up to date on Widener's Lausanne Summer Institute. Things are shaping up nicely for an exciting experience. Students who studied with us last summer had a very rewarding cultural and academic experience.

## Lausanne

This will be our seventh year studying at the University of Lausanne's law school in Switzerland. The University of Lausanne is Switzerland's largest university, but the city of Lausanne remains charming and accessible. Lausanne has been the home of the highest Swiss federal court of appeal since 1874, and home to the International Olympic Committee since 1915.



Geneva, a worldwide center of diplomacy and the headquarters of numerous United Nations agencies as well as the International Committee of the Red Cross, is only a 40-minute train ride from Lausanne. Students in the Lausanne program will participate in several field trips in which they will meet and speak with lawyers and policymakers at some of these international organizations.

Because of these many international organizations located in Switzerland, Lausanne is an exciting place to study law. It is also beautiful, situated on Lac Leman (also known as Lake Geneva), with panoramic views of the Alps. Here's what travel writer Rick Steves says about Lausanne: "Lausanne is the most interesting city on [Lake Geneva], proudly dubbing itself the "Olympic Capital".... Amble along the serene lakefront promenade, stroll through the three-tiered, colorful old town, explore the sculptures at Olympic Park, and visit the remarkable collection de l'Art Brut".





Among the advantages of the new two-week course format are that those with only two to four weeks to spare may still have a Summer Institute experience. Here is the schedule for Lausanne:

| June 8 - June 19, 2015 (one credit each)                               |
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| International Copyright Law (6/8-6/19) – Professor Alan Garfield       |
| International Investment Law (6/15-6/19) – Professor Andreas Zeigler   |
| Law & Practice of World Trade Org. (6/8-6/12) – Professor Michael Hahn |

Note that students wishing to travel after the first two-week course segment in Switzerland could then proceed to the first segment of the Venice Summer Institute, which will meet from June 22 to July 3, 2015. Courses offered in Venice will include Comparative Corporate Law, Tort Law in Global Perspective, and European Union Law.

I hope you can join us!

Regards,

Alan

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