

2018 Summer Law Programs

Learn at the only law school located in the “Corporate Capital of the U.S.”



Widener University 
Delaware Law School

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ABOUT WIDENER

Widener University was founded in 1821 and is a top-ranked university located just outside of Philadelphia. Widener University's history as a former military college has given Widener a strong foundation, and has created a lasting set of values that are reflected in the university's mission statement today.

As a first-choice university, Widener is a dynamic, inclusive academic community, transforming students into scholars, leaders, and globally engaged citizens. Founded in 1821 as a preparatory school for boys in Wilmington, Delaware, the institution now known as Widener University moved to Pennsylvania in 1862.

Widener University's Delaware Law School was founded in 1975 and remains the only law school located in Delaware. Through the Law School, many legal degree options exist in addition to the juris doctor degree. The Graduate, International, Compliance, and Legal Studies department of Delaware Law School offers legal degrees for undergraduates, graduates, and international students, as well as Summer Law Programs. Several programs are available in an online format.

GRADUATE, INTERNATIONAL, COMPLIANCE, AND LEGAL STUDIES

UNDERGRADUATE

Delaware Law School offers several paralegal degree options, including an associate's degree, bachelor's degree, and certificates in various concentrations. Through the Legal Studies programs, a Court Interpreter program is also offered.

GRADUATE

The Master of Jurisprudence (MJ) degree is available in Health Law and Corporate Law, with a concentrated focus on compliance and ethics in these areas. Graduate certificates are also available. Compliance is a growing field and in high demand as an alternative legal career for lawyers and non-lawyers alike.

The Master of Laws (LLM) degree is available for U.S. JD students and foreign-educated lawyers in various fields such as Corporate Law & Finance, American Legal Studies, Corporate Compliance, and Healthcare Compliance.

DOCTORATE

The Doctor of Juridical Science (SJD) is the highest degree possible for legal professionals. This dissertation program is 32 credits and can be completed in three years, with the first two years in residency at Delaware Law School.

Widener University Delaware Law School invites applicants to its 2018 Summer Law Programs for U.S. and foreign-trained law students and practitioners. Offered through the Graduate, International, Compliance, and Legal Studies department, our three-week immersion programs offer an introduction to the U.S. legal system and various current topics in U.S. Corporate Law. Participants receive an educational and cultural experience in the “Corporate Capital of the U.S.” Attendees gain a strong foundation in U.S. legal concepts.

Excursions included in the program:

- Washington, D.C.
- National Constitution Center and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- United Nations in New York City

These programs qualify for academic credit and/or a certificate upon successful completion. Participants are eligible to take multiple programs at a special rate.

SUMMER LAW PROGRAMS

ADVANCED CONCEPTS IN CORPORATE & BUSINESS LAW

This program is being offered through Widener’s Institute of Delaware Corporate & Business Law. The State of Delaware is the acknowledged leader and premier governing authority for U.S. Corporations.

This course is designed for the practicing U.S. or International attorney or law student from around the world who wants an in-depth program on the workings of Delaware and US. Corporate law.

Topics addressed in this course include:

shareholder electoral power, the managerial power and fiduciary duties of the board of directors, the role of judicial review in providing board accountability to shareholders, the directors’ fiduciary duty of disclosure under state law, and the role of directors and shareholders in mergers and acquisition transactions.

HUMAN DIGNITY RIGHTS

This program will explore the principal themes of international human rights law, including both established and emerging rights, by considering the theoretical basis for human rights and their implementation in international tribunals and in domestic constitutional law. The final assessment will be a research paper on a topic of the students’ choice.

ENVIRONMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS

This program will examine the evolution and implementation of international, regional, and domestic legal means for advancing a human right to a healthy environment, including a stable climate. This includes the constitutional incorporation of environmental rights, responsibilities, remedies, and procedures; decisions by national courts and human rights commissions; and, the potential for an International Covenant on the Environment. The final assessment will be a research paper on a topic of the students’ choice

THE U.S. LEGAL SYSTEM

This is an introductory course which seeks to provide an understanding of the U.S. government and legal system, as well as the basic principles of American law. Through the exploration of cases relating to various legal areas including contracts, torts, property, criminal law and procedure, civil procedure, business law, and family law, students will be exposed to the basic tenants of the American legal system.

ANTI-CORRUPTION

This course provides an overview of the U.S. anti-corruption laws and a comparison with international anti-corruption laws and policies. Topics include the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the U.K. Bribery Act, compliance and ethics programs for fraud prevention and will explore the current and potential future state of anti-corruption laws under the new U.S. presidential administration.

U.S. CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

This course introduces the United States Constitution as a source of law, largely through the decisions of the United States Supreme Court, from the founding to the present. Students will be given an overview of the various approaches to constitutional interpretation used by the Supreme Court, as well as the role of the courts in a constitutional democracy, and substantive due process. Topics may include judicial review, federalism, congressional power, executive power, due process, equal protection, and freedom of expression.

INTERNATIONAL MONEY LAUNDERING AND CORRUPTION

This course introduces students to the international and domestic laws enacted to thwart money laundering and corruption. An overview of anti-money laundering strategies aimed at attacking criminals through their financial activities and using financial trails to identify the various components of criminal networks will be provided.

Delaware Law is located in the “Corporate Capital of the U.S.”

The question is often asked—why Delaware? Why does this small state (the second smallest in the United States) occupy such a large place in the world of business entities? The question has several answers, but most of the answers are not what you may think.

- Delaware is the favored state of incorporation for U.S. businesses since the early 1900s.
- Delaware is considered America’s unofficial “corporate law capital.”
- Close to a million business entities have made Delaware their legal home
- Over half of the Fortune 500 companies are incorporated in Delaware.
- Corporations choose Delaware because it includes the Delaware General Corporation Law which is one of the most advanced and flexible corporation statutes in the nation.
- Delaware Law supports legislature in keeping Delaware’s business laws state-of-the-art.
- Delaware corporate law is known all over the United States.
- Delaware cases are studied in almost every corporations course in law schools all over the United States.
- Studying Delaware corporate law provides instant credibility that facilitates business transactions.
- History and tradition surrounds Delaware corporation law, and in particular the Court of Chancery, that invests the law with predictability and respect that cannot be matched.



Social & Cultural Opportunities

CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES

Situated in the Brandywine River Valley, the area offers a number of delightful social and cultural attractions. Enjoy a visit to the renowned Longwood Gardens, the Winterthur Museum, the Hagley Museum and Library, or take in a show at the Wilmington Grand Opera House. Nearby Philadelphia offers a number of historical and educational attractions including the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, and the Franklin Institute. Baltimore's Inner Harbor provides a number of exciting opportunities as well, including the Baltimore Aquarium and the Maryland Science Center.

RECREATION

Outdoor enthusiasts will find that Delaware has thousands of acres of parkland for fishing, boating, and hiking in addition to beautiful beach resorts. With no sales tax, Delaware also offers some exceptional shopping opportunities as well as excellent and diverse cuisine.

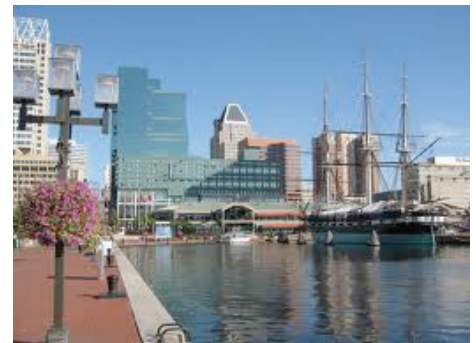
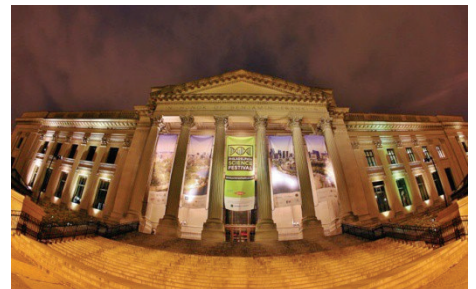


EXCURSIONS

While attending the Summer Law Programs, students have taken time to visit the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia, the United Nations in New York, and the U.S. Supreme Court in Washington, D.C.

The class also had a personal meeting with the deputy counsel to former Vice President Joe Biden while in Washington in the office of the council to the Vice President of the United States. Vice President Biden was a long-time Delaware Law adjunct faculty member before his election. Visits have also been made to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission where lectures have been given by the Deputy Chief Counsel, Division of Corporation Finance.

Classes regularly visit the law offices of the DuPont Corporation and the Delaware Court of Chancery where a Vice Chancellor has been a lecturer in previous programs.



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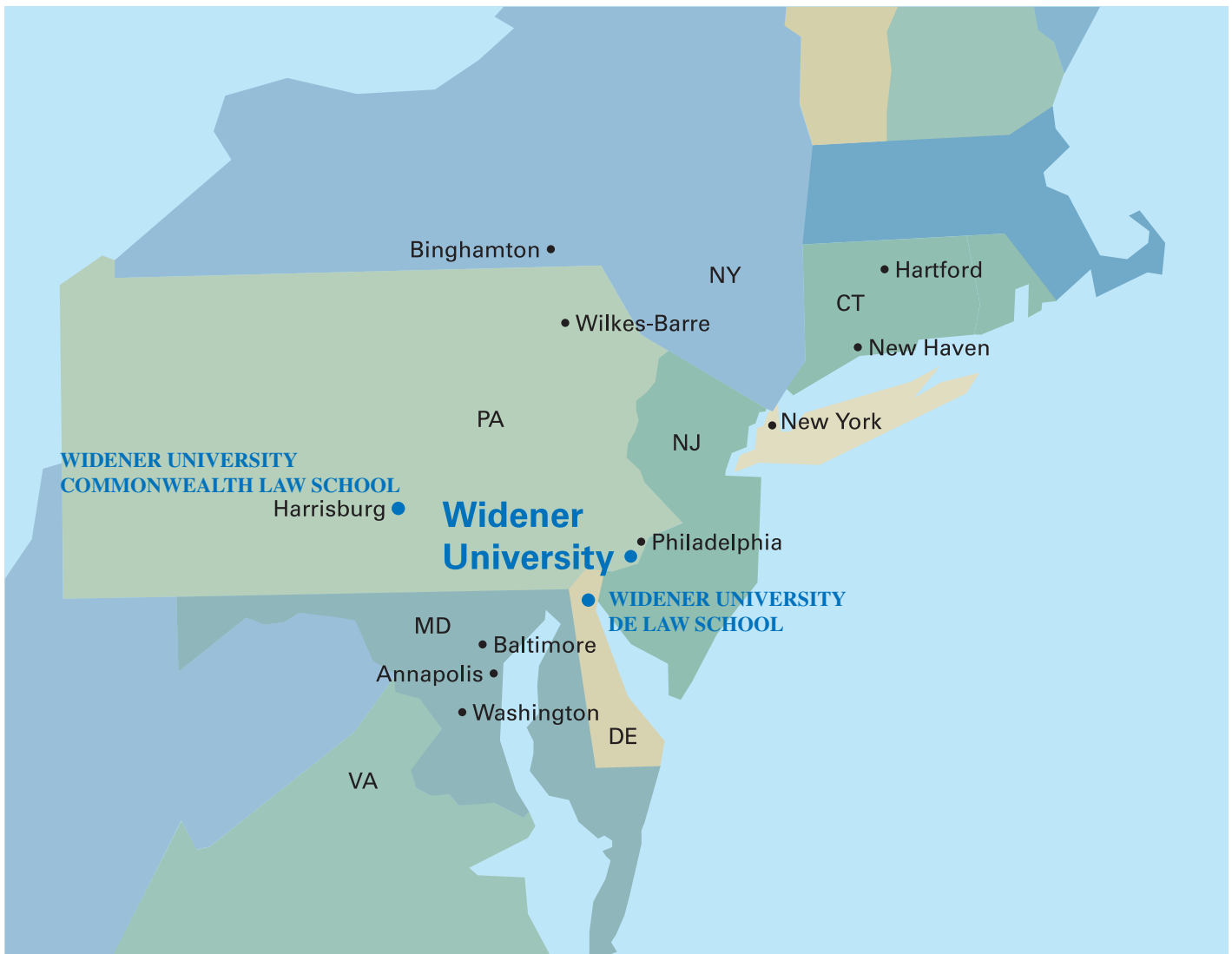
Our campus is located in Delaware and offers students rich cultural and social opportunities with a short taxi ride from campus.

The campus location is perfectly situated for visiting some of America's most exciting cities like Philadelphia, PA, New York City, NY, and Washington D.C. Our campus is the perfect launching pad for your American experience.



Former Governor of the State of Delaware, Jack Markell, has stated:

Delaware is internationally recognized as a leading jurisdiction for corporate law. Today almost two-thirds of the Fortune 500 and most of the publicly traded companies in the U.S. call Delaware their legal home. Delaware business entity law is used by companies around the world to structure their complex business transactions and acquisitions. Our State's courts and legal community are at the center of the global corporate world. Widener is an important partner in Delaware's success. If you are interested in learning about corporate law, Widener is an excellent choice.



HISTORY OF THE PROGRAM

Since 1975, Delaware Law's Institute of Delaware Corporate & Business Law and the Delaware Journal of Corporate Law (Del. J. Corp. L.) has been providing the nations' legal community with well-researched, analytical articles on issues of timely import. It is ranked top 10 in the nation when compared to all specialized law reviews, and it is ranked first in corporate law and business.

The summer programs have attracted students from Russia, England, China, Australia, India, and other countries. Open to foreign attorneys and law students, the certificate program is designed to educate participants in a variety of U.S. law and corporate topics.

Former students have met with local legal professionals from law firms, companies such as DuPont, and Delaware government and judicial officers.

Associate Professor Paul Regan, of Delaware Law's Institute of Delaware Corporate and Business Law, teaches the class. Guest lecturers have included Vice Chancellor Donald F. Parsons Jr. of the renowned Delaware Court of Chancery, who worked with the students at the New Castle County Courthouse in Wilmington, Delaware Law Professors Michael J. Hussey and Edward K. Osei, and attorney Randall Herndon of Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom LLP.

Participants of our Summer Law Programs have benefited from the school's specialties, location and professional relationships.

“It's very important to see the unofficial “Corporate Capital” of the world and the trip was absolutely amazing. It was absolutely what I wanted to see there.”

~Natalia Maslennolova, Pericles LLM Program, Moscow

PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

Full Program Tuition: \$4,500 flat rate for 2 credits or certificate of completion, includes housing and trips; two programs available for \$6,500; three programs for \$8,500; four programs for \$10,500. Students may take multiple programs simultaneously.

Groups of 8 or more: \$4,000 ea. one program; \$6,000 ea. two programs; \$8,000 ea. three programs; \$10,000 ea. four programs.

Cost includes: Tuition, housing, and transportation to special events and excursions. Every student will also be required to obtain the mandatory Widener University health insurance at their own expense.

Cancellation Policy: In the event of a cancellation of the program, Widener will refund all money advanced by the student to Widener University Delaware Law School. Funds will be refunded within twenty (20) days after the date of cancellation.

Liability & Insurance: Widener University will not be responsible for personal injury or illness, or for loss or damage to personal property in the program. We advise participants to take out insurance for their trip against lost or damaged baggage as well as against accident and trip cancellation.

PROGRAM ONE

Classes Start: June 4, 2018

Classes End: June 25, 2018

- Advanced Concepts in Corporate & Business Law
- Human Dignity Rights
- Environmental Human Rights

PROGRAM TWO

Classes Start: July 9, 2018

Classes End: July 30, 2018

- The U.S. Legal System
- Anti-Corruption Law

PROGRAM THREE

Classes Start: August 1, 2018

Classes End: August 22, 2018

- U.S. Constitutional Law (a.m. session)
- International Money Laundering and Corruption (p.m. session)



2017 Summer Law Program in Corporate & Business Law highlighted in **“Hot Classes for the Summer”** by *The National Jurist*, Spring 2017 issue.

2017 LLM and MJ programs named Top Online Law Degrees for 2017 by AccreditedSchoolsOnline.org

2017 Named to the Best Colleges in Delaware by accreditedschoolsonline.org.

2017 Online master’s of jurisprudence program in health law was rated **fourth best in the nation on the national list of Top 20 Online Health Policy Master’s Degree Programs 2017–2018** published by TopMastersinHealthCare.com.

2017 LLM and MJ programs named to the Top Online Law Schools and Programs for 2017 by Accredited SchoolsOnline.org.

2017 LLM program named to Honor Roll with an “A” for best law school experience and “A+” for career opportunities by *The International Jurist*.

2016 Delaware Law School paralegal program named to the 2016–17 Best Paralegal Schools list published by AccreditedSchoolsOnline.org.

2016 LLM program named to three impressive “best” lists: (1) Law School Experience, (2) Career Opportunities, and (3) Top Value, by *The International Jurist*.

2016 Graduate Compliance Programs: Corporate and Health Law Regulatory Analysis & Compliance named in *The National Jurist* Back to School 2016 issue in its **“6 fastest-changing practice areas”** section.

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