

Gain a global perspective in law and business at Arizona State University

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The Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University is one of the country's preeminent law schools with a wide range of focus areas and unique experiences. We offer a 30 credit, one-year **Master of Legal Studies (MLS) program** for people who want to expand their knowledge of the U.S. legal system and business environment. No prior legal training is needed.

Elevate your career through unique experiences

ASU Law's world-class faculty provide students with unparalleled opportunities to gain insights and practical skills needed to address legal challenges on a global scale. Spend a year with us to improve your English, network with future lawyers, and develop the knowledge and skills you need to help you succeed, no matter where your future leads you.

Focused programs

The **in-person MLS** is fully customizable to fit student interests and career goals. Students gain unparalleled opportunities to master legal principles in a variety of fields that prepare them to thrive within the changing global legal landscape, including:

- **Business Law**
- **Entrepreneurship Law and Strategy**
- **Conflict Resolution**
- **Criminal Law**
- **Health Law**
- **Intellectual Property**
- **Law and Sustainability**
- **Science and Technology Law**
- **Patent Practice**

The **MLS Online** program allows you to learn at your own pace from anywhere in the world. Choose from the following focus areas:

- **Corporate and Health Care Compliance**
- **Criminal Law**
- **HR and Employment Law**
- **Intellectual Property Law**
- **Sports Law and Business**
- **Sustainability Law**
- **Conflict Resolution**
- **Construction Law**



Application Deadlines

Fall: June 1 (for students requiring a visa)

Spring: November 1 (for students requiring a visa)

Summer: April 27

Application Process

Admission to the MLS program requires a bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college or university in the United States or a comparable degree from a foreign institution. **Graduate school entrance exams (e.g. LSAT, GRE, GMAT) are not required.**

Applications must include the complete application and the following documents:

- Personal statement no longer than 1,250 words on double-spaced, typed pages.
- Resume that does not exceed three typed pages.
- Writing sample
- Explanations to affirmative answers to any conduct questions
- Two letters of recommendation
- Transcripts from all institutions attended, including the transcript showing a bachelor's degree was conferred

Flexible schedule

The MLS program is flexible, offering full-time and part-time schedules, as well as in-person and online options.

The MLS program offers start dates in the fall, spring, and summer.

Master of Legal Studies (MLS)

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MLS in Business Law

The Business Law emphasis helps students develop critical insights into the legal environment in which businesses operate. Students learn how to assist companies and their leaders regarding regulatory issues, strategic decision making, and profit maximization. Our business-oriented classes prepare students to help businesses of all levels and sizes, from established multinational corporations to companies just getting off the ground.

MLS in Entrepreneurship Law and Strategy

The Entrepreneurship Law and Strategy degree program trains entrepreneurs, future entrepreneurs, and others in the entrepreneurial ecosystem to resolve the legal and strategic issues facing new ventures.

MLS in Patent Practice

The MLS in Patent Practice introduces students to the U.S. legal system and U.S. intellectual property law. Students gain a detailed understanding of U.S. patent law and the skills necessary to assist clients in securing and protecting their intellectual property.

For MLS applicants with foreign education credentials, please have all transcripts evaluated by the Academic Credentials Evaluation Institute, Inc. (ACEI). ACEI independently evaluates all academic documents issued in countries other than the United States.

Please contact ACEI at acei-global.org to obtain an application for an evaluation. You must request a course-by-course evaluation and order that an official copy be sent directly to: Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law | Arizona State University | Office of Admissions and Financial Aid | 111 E Taylor St. | Phoenix, AZ 85004

Location

ASU Law is located in Phoenix, Arizona known for its Southwest culture, food, shopping and more. It is also three to six hours from popular weekend destinations such as the Grand Canyon, Sedona, Las Vegas, San Diego, Los Angeles and Mexico.

Located in a new, state-of-the-art building in downtown Phoenix, ASU Law is just steps away from the legal, political and economic heart of Arizona.



Phoenix,
AZ

English Fluency

Evidence of English proficiency must be provided for non-English speaking prospective students who have not completed a four-year degree in the U.S.

Competitive applicants should have a TOEFL score at or near 90 (internet), an IELTS score at or near 7.0, OR a PTE score at or near 64.

Students may qualify for an exemption to the English Proficiency requirement by successfully completing **ASU's Global Launch Intensive English** program. For more information about the Global Launch Intensive English program, please visit learnenglish.asu.edu. ASU's institutional code is 4007.

International Student Tuition and Fees

Online: \$32,598

In-person: \$41,488