

CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW, SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

Master of Comparative Law Program

2012 Program Description



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**Samford's Master of Comparative Law
program is a unique and practical program
for international scholars.**

**STUDY LAW IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
DURING MAY, 2012 AND CAMBRIDGE,
ENGLAND DURING JULY, 2012**

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I. PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Cumberland School of Law, Samford University, offers a unique opportunity for international judges, justices, law professors, prosecutors and legal practitioners to obtain a Master of Comparative Law degree (MCL) from an American Bar Association-accredited law school without having to spend a continuous academic year in residence. The law school began the MCL program in 1994 and has conferred 39 MCL degrees.

Each MCL candidate must spend two June/July summer semesters in residence attending classes and satisfactorily complete Cumberland School of Law courses totaling at least 16 credit hours. Classes are conducted on the Samford University Campus in June. Students have the opportunity to attend a Cumberland School of Law study-abroad program for the July portion of the program; the 2012 Cumberland study-abroad program will be held in England at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge.

Each MCL candidate is also required to complete a thesis approved by the MCL Graduate Degree Program Faculty Committee. Each student chooses courses and a thesis topic in consultation with the MCL program director. All course work and the thesis must be satisfactorily completed within five years from the time that the candidate enters the MCL program. The thesis does not count towards credit hours.

II. MCL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

MCL degree candidates are expected to complete eight credit hours per summer semester, including a required course treating legal research and writing for international scholars during the first semester and a required advanced seminar during the second semester. In addition to the required courses, the MCL candidate may enroll in other courses offered in the substantial law school summer curriculum, as well as courses designed especially for the program, with the approval of the program director. In previous years, MCL candidates have taken courses treating alternative dispute resolution, business taxation, comparative constitutional law, comparative consumer protection law, comparative criminal procedure, comparative taxation, comparative trial systems, comparative remedies, law of the European Union, international business transactions, international law, comparative legal ethics, world trade organization, English legal system, intellectual property, resolving disputes across cultures, directed legal research and the history of the law of nations.

MCL candidates are required to maintain a minimum of a "B" average to satisfy degree requisites (this is a 3.0 minimum on a 4.0 academic scale). The program director may, however, waive the grade point average requirement for MCL candidates for whom English is not their primary language and may allow such students to take course work on a pass/fail basis. Students, with the approval of both the faculty teaching the applicable

courses and the program director, may be allowed to write papers treating topics compatible with the course subject matter in lieu of examinations.

Participants in the 2012 MCL program should plan to arrive in Birmingham on **May 27**. The program director will offer transportation from the Birmingham airport to the residence hotel on **May 27**. The residence hotel will be selected by the program director, and all MCL students will reside at the selected location. Registration and classes will commence on **May 29**. The first four weeks of class will be conducted on the Birmingham campus of Samford University. Following examinations on June 28 and 29, the MCL candidates will travel to Cambridge to commence the second month of the program.

The Cambridge program begins on Sunday evening, July 1, 2012 with an orientation reception for faculty and students. Classes at Cambridge commence on Monday, July 2, 2012. The program ends on August 2. Examinations for Cambridge are scheduled for July 31 & August 1. Beginning MCL candidates should register for 2012 with the program director prior to **March 15, 2012**. Early registration is encouraged. First-year MCL students **must** attend the June portion of the program in Birmingham and complete the required course before they will be eligible for additional MCL classes. Second-year MCL candidates should inform the program director of their intent to participate during the 2012 semester as early in 2012 as possible.

MCL candidates who have completed their first semester in residence in Birmingham may attend both June and July classes in 2012 or, if the student's circumstances require, only the Birmingham or Cambridge portion of the program. Courses offered during June of the candidates' second year in Birmingham will be designed to reflect the student's thesis interest if possible. Participation during both June and July is recommended for both entering and second-year students during each year of participation if the student's circumstances allow.

III. FACULTY AND COURSES TO BE OFFERED ON THE SAMFORD UNIVERSITY CAMPUS DURING MAY 29-JUNE 26, 2012

Professor Belle H. Stoddard will offer a two-credit-hour **Legal Research and Writing for International Scholars** course especially designed for international jurists, lawyers, and scholars. The course is required of all MCL students in their first summer of study. It will cover the fundamental principles of legal analysis and legal style, as well as research methodology in the U.S. legal system. Students are required to write an objective memorandum and a persuasive document, as well as examine stylistic implications of written opinions and legal documents in the U.S. legal culture.

Professor David M. Smolin and Desembargadora Cristina Zucchi will offer a two-hour **Comparative Constitutional Law** course. This course will provide a comparative examination of constitutional and other legal concepts in common law and civil law legal systems, with emphasis on the legal cultures of Brazil and the United States. Consideration is given to separation of powers, federalism, fundamental rights, equal protection, due process of law, free speech, and freedom of religion. Readings and class

discussion emphasize the comparative analysis of both U.S. and Brazilian judicial decisions.

Second-year MCL students will participate in a three-hour **advanced research and writing seminar** led by the program director. This seminar is designed to be a resource for students as they research and write on the thesis topic that they select in consultation with the program director.

Students have the opportunity to select additional courses, in consultation with the program director, to complete the required number of credit hours.

IV. CAMBRIDGE STUDY-ABROAD PROGRAM July 1 – August 2, 2012

A. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Arriving students and faculty will attend a reception on the evening of July 1, at 6:30 P.M. The reception will include an orientation for students and faculty concerning our residential college and the Cambridge area. Classes will be conducted Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday of the first week of the program for the one-hour course treating the English Legal System and the European Union. The examination for this course will be conducted on Friday afternoon, July 6. Students are encouraged to visit the Municipal Court in Cambridge on one of these afternoons. The first week of classes is planned to accommodate a full-day field trip on Wednesday, July 4 to London to visit the Royal Courts of Justice, Middle Temple Inn of Court and Parliament. The program will provide bus transportation to and from London for our visit.

During the second and third week of classes there will be no classes on Friday, July 13 and Friday, July 20, to provide three-day weekends for travel or study. The last day of classes will occur on July 30 and **final examinations will be conducted on July 31 and August 1** for the elective courses. Students, other than those who make individual arrangements with the program director, should plan to arrive at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, on Sunday, July 1 and depart prior to 9:30 A.M. on Thursday, August 2. The program cannot furnish lodging either before July 1 or following our scheduled departure date. A closing dinner will be offered for students and faculty on Sunday evening, July 29. A summary calendar of events and class schedule is at the end of this brochure.

Students may anticipate examinations for each course to be comparable to law exams administered in American Bar Association approved law schools in the United States. The professor responsible for each course will both write and grade the applicable examination. The 2012 Cambridge program will be limited to a maximum of 25 students if additional lodging cannot be arranged. **Early registration is encouraged.**

B. 2012 CAMBRIDGE FACULTY AND COURSES

MCL students attending the Cambridge Study-Aboard Program will select two of the two-hour courses below for four credit hours of the maximum allowable five hours. The fifth hour available is Barrister Jenkala's one-hour course during the first week of the program. Course selection will occur in consultation with the program director. Travel from Birmingham to Cambridge can occur after exams are completed on June 28 or 29, and arrival in Cambridge should be planned for July 1, 2012. If you wish to travel during the first week and have previously attended Barrister Jenkala's one-hour course, you must notify the program director for approval.

Law 678- The English Legal System and European Union: A Comparative Overview (1 hr.) Adjunct Professor Adrian Jenkala, Barrister

This course explores the English Legal System, the role of the judiciary, and the current interface of the English system with the European Union. The course offers students a unique opportunity to understand the practical and academic aspects of the emerging constitutional basis for the European Union and its effects on the English system of justice.

Professor Jenkala is a graduate of London University (B.S. and B. of Laws), University of Westminster (Diploma in Law), Inns of Court School of Law (Bar Finals) and a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He has more than twenty years experience as Barrister with advocacy rights in all of the courts of England and the European Court of Justice.

Law 739- Legal and Constitutional History of Great Britain (2 hours) Professor William G. Ross, Cumberland School of Law

Spanning the period from Roman Britain to the present day, this course will explore the development of the English common law, the emergence of equitable remedies, the origins of the jury, the evolution of Parliament and parliamentary democracy, and the conflicts that fostered personal liberties. The course also will consider the role of Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland within the present United Kingdom and address issues involving the European Union.

The course will place Britain's legal and constitutional history within the broader scope of the nation's political, cultural, social, economic, and religious history. The course also will draw comparisons between Britain and other nations, particularly the United States.

Professor Ross has taught at Samford University's Cumberland School of Law since 1988. His courses include professional responsibility, civil procedure, constitutional law, and American legal history. A graduate of Stanford and Harvard Law School, Professor Ross was a litigator in New York City from 1979 until 1988. He has served as a Visiting Professor of Law at Notre Dame (2001-02); Florida State (summer 2002); and Georgia State (spring 2000). Professor Ross has written extensively on legal ethics, American legal history, and the federal judicial appointments process.

Law 744- Comparative Issues in Intellectual Property (2 hours) Professor Lucas S. Osborn, Campbell University's Normal Adrian Wiggins School of Law

This course will explore various intellectual property issues from an international perspective. In addition to specific areas of IP law, this course will consider generally the territorial reach on intellectual property laws, choice of law issues in intellectual property disputes, and various international treaties governing IP rights (*e.g.*, The Paris Convention, the Berne Convention, and the TRIPS Agreement).

Professor Osborn is a graduate of Texas A&M University where he graduated *Summa Cum Laude* with a B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering and Harvard Law School where he received his J.D. He has been quoted in the Wall Street Journal, Bloomberg News, and local publications. Before coming to Campbell, he served as an attorney in the Intellectual Property section of Fulbright & Jaworski in Houston, TX. At Fullbright, his practice focused on patent litigation, patent prosecution and intellectual property licensing. He is also licensed to practice in front of the U.S. Patent and Trademark office.

Law 754- European Union Law (2 hours) Adjunct Professor Adrian Jenkala, Barrister

This course is designed to further students' understanding of the European Union (EU) and its legal system. Topics include a review of the essential history and institutions; comparisons to other similar organizations (NAFTA, MERCOSUR, the African Union, ASEAN, and the WTO); the relationship between the law of the European Community and the law of its member states; the four freedoms; and significant substantive initiatives including the Lisbon Treaty.

Law 797- Resolving Disputes Across Cultures (2 hours) Professor Nancy Schultz

Discussion of negotiation and mediation strategies and techniques, with emphasis on sensitivity to working with people from other cultures and backgrounds. Topics will include negotiation courtesies, expectations as to directness of communication, the importance of relationships, and ethical issues. Students will practice communication, negotiation, and mediation skills, and they will learn how negotiation and mediation relate to litigation and the legal context. Students will also have the opportunity to learn directly from professionals from other countries.

Professor Schultz is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin (B.A.), and the University of Pennsylvania (J.D.). After private practice at Ballard, Spahr, Andrews, & Ingersoll, and Schnader, Harrison, Segal, & Lewis in Philadelphia, she taught at Villanova University Law School and the George Washington University Law School before joining the faculty of Chapman University School of Law. She coaches interscholastic teams in mock trial, moot court, client counseling, mediation, negotiation, and arbitration, and serves on the International Negotiation Competition Executive Committee and the International Client Counseling Competition Committee.

V. ESTIMATED MCL CANDIDATE EXPENSE BUDGET – 2012

**A. TUITION per summer semester
(includes both Birmingham and Cambridge): \$5,257**

Academic tuition for current MCL candidates electing to participate in **only** the Birmingham or Cambridge portion of the 2012 program will be **\$2,628.50** for that portion of the program. MCL candidates electing to attend only one month of the 2012 program will be required to attend classes in more than two summers.

B. ACCOMODATIONS AND ESTIMATED BIRMINGHAM BUDGET

Housing estimate: May 27 – June 30: \$2,347 (\$59 per night plus taxes)

This is the approximate cost of a furnished efficiency apartment or residence hotel room, including electricity, water, cable TV, adequate furnishings, including linens and towels, and kitchen appliances, located convenient to Samford University. Local telephone services are furnished (does not include long distance). This cost may vary slightly, more or less, depending upon location and availability. The MCL Program Director will make the necessary arrangements for lodging and the law school will assist in arranging transportation for necessary travel between the law school and the residence hotel.

Law Books, Full Summer Semester: \$900

Laundry and Dry Cleaning: \$150

Approximate Cost for Entertainment: \$200

Approximate Cost for Food: \$600

Incidental Expense Not Budgeted: \$200

Registration Fee: \$100

Tech Fee: \$35

Campus Life Fee: \$35

**TOTAL ESTIMATED BIRMINGHAM BUDGET FOR
HOUSING AND MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES: \$ 4,567 plus airfare
and ground
transportation**

C. CUMBERLAND-AT-CAMBRIDGE ACCOMODATIONS AND ESTIMATED BUDGET

Administration, Housing and Meals – (\$4,500 to include lunch on class days, \$4,100 without lunch)

Students will be housed in Sidney Sussex College. Double rooms are not available to students. Students must stay in a single room at Sidney Sussex. Visiting family members will need to make a hotel reservation. Breakfast (and lunch, if elected and prepaid) are included in the housing and meal allowance for registered students each class day of the program. Breakfast will be provided each weekend.

Lodging will be provided from July 1 and departure from Cambridge must occur prior to 9:30 A.M. on August 2. Evening meals may be purchased in one of the many local restaurants convenient to the lodging. The evening meal will not, other than the closing dinner on Sunday, July 29, be provided by the study-abroad program.

Other Approximate Costs for Cambridge:

Meals Not Furnished by the Program in Cambridge:	\$1,200 to \$1,600
Ground transportation within England:	\$500
Miscellaneous Expenses:	\$700
Technology Fee:	\$35

TOTAL ESTIMATED CAMBRIDGE BUDGET FOR HOUSING AND MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES: \$ 6,935 plus airfare and ground transportation

D. INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

Each student participating in the program will be responsible for arranging transportation to and from England. Airlines provide a variety of reduced fare plans and early booking can create substantial savings. Summer flights to Europe are filled quickly; hence early travel arrangements should be made. Flights from the United States to London typically arrive at either Heathrow Airport or Gatwick Airport. Refer to the following websites for information relating to the two airports and information concerning travel from the airports into London.

www.heathrowairport.com or www.heathrow.co.uk

www.heathrowexpress.com

www.gatwickairport.com or www.gatwick-airport-guide.co.uk

www.gatwickexpress.com

The Olympic and Paralympic games are in London from July 27 - September 9. Travel costs and transportation could be impacted.

Students should pay careful attention to their air carriers' baggage allowances. Some airports also impose stricter carry-on luggage limitations than the airlines. Exceeding these limits can impose substantial extra charges.

Information concerning the London subway system may be obtained from tfl.gov.uk/tube.

Cambridge is about 55 miles north of London. One can take the train to Cambridge from either London's Kings Cross Station or Liverpool Station. The train ride typically takes 45 minutes and currently costs approximately 20 pounds. Trains generally depart about every 30 minutes from Kings Cross and 20 minutes from Liverpool Street. The websites for train information are:

www.nationalrail.co.uk

www.britrail.com

www.raileurope.com

BritRail passes may be a convenient, less expensive way to travel in England. Students should obtain a BritRail pass online well in advance of departing the U.S. The reduced rate BritRail pass will not be available in the U.K.

The Cambridge Train Station is south of the city center, slightly more than one mile from Sidney Sussex College. The walk to the city center takes about 20 minutes. There are taxi stands at the train station and a bus leaves for the city center every 15 minutes or so. Our residential college, Sidney Sussex College, is conveniently located in the city center. Further information concerning Sidney Sussex College may be found at www.sid.cam.ac.uk

Coach service to Cambridge is also available from London's Victoria Coach Station, Gatwick airport, and Heathrow airport with coaches departing every 1-2 hours or so. If you decide to take the bus from London to Cambridge, be sure to check the schedule carefully. Schedules, trip duration, and fares can vary widely at different times of day. Refer to the website www.nationalexpress.com for bus schedules and fares. The Cambridge Bus Station is centrally located in Cambridge, approximately 6/10 of a mile from Sidney Sussex College. The stop for coaches to and from Gatwick and Heathrow is at the edge of Parker's Piece in central Cambridge, two blocks from the Cambridge Bus Station.

Stansted Airport (STN) is located 25 miles from Cambridge. This airport is great for travel throughout the UK and Ireland as well as continental Europe. Refer to the website www.stanstedairport.com for additional information about the airport and flights that are

available. For information concerning the Stansted Express Train, see www.stanstedexpress.com.

Refer to the following websites for tourist and travel information about Cambridge.

www.visitcambridge.org

www.cam.ac.uk

www.cambridge.gov.uk

E. MEDICAL INSURANCE

Each MCL candidate **must** have medical insurance program for the summer semester. Pearce & Pearce is Samford's insurance provider for students. The plan provides medical insurance benefits for international students. The 2012 rates for the basic insurance program are \$165 for students under the age of 30, and \$201 for students over the age of 30 for June 1, 2012 – August 22, 2012.

If you decide to purchase your own insurance, you must have it reviewed by Pearce & Pearce to ensure that it meets Samford's insurance requirements. If it does not, you must purchase Samford's policy.

Total estimated cost of program participation for the 2012 summer MCL program in Birmingham is \$7,397 plus airfare and ground transportation. This includes tuition (\$2,628.50), living expenses and fees in Birmingham (\$4,567), and required insurance (\$201 for a student age 30 and over).

The total estimated cost for the 2012 summer MCL program in Cambridge is \$9,764.50. This includes tuition (\$2,628.50), living expenses and fees in Cambridge (\$6,935), and required insurance (\$201).

Please note that this estimated cost does not include air travel or ground transportation to Birmingham and Cambridge. MCL candidates are responsible for arranging their own air travel.

A limited number of scholarships are available toward tuition in the first summer of participation in the MCL program. All other expenses are the responsibility of the student. Tuition for the second summer is payable in installments, but all payments must be completed for each term before commencing classes in that term. Payment arrangements must be made with the program director and the Samford University Bursar in advance of attendance.

F. REGISTRATION FEES FOR THE MCL PROGRAM

A registration fee of \$100 is required to be submitted with the application. The registration fee is nonrefundable unless denial of the application occurs due to full

enrollment in the program. The registration fee is included in the total estimated cost of the 2012 summer program enumerated above. Registration fees are payable **only** for the first summer of residency.

VI. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Samford University complies with applicable laws prohibiting discrimination, including applicable provisions of and amendments to Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, Executive Order 11246, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or veteran status in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or services.

Inquiries and concerns regarding this policy may be directed to the vice president for business affairs or general counsel, Office of Business Affairs, 200 Samford Hall, Birmingham, AL 35229, 205-726-2811.

Applicants to the Master of Comparative Law Program must present an official transcript, translated if necessary into the English language (official translation is not required), evidencing that they have graduated from an accredited law school in their country of origin or country in which they attended law school, a copy of their law degree, proof satisfactory to the director of the MCL program that they have sufficient proficiency in the English language to successfully complete the MCL curriculum, and an affidavit (form will be supplied by the University) or other writing deemed satisfactory by the University, which documents available adequate financial support while in residence at the University and University sponsored study-abroad programs. The director of the MCL program will evaluate both the transcript and English proficiency on an individual basis. The TOEFL language proficiency test may be required at the discretion of the program director.

VII. GENERAL TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Students participating in the Master of Comparative Law program will be responsible for transportation to and from their home country to Birmingham, Alabama, U.S.A., and from Birmingham to Cambridge, England, with return to their place of residence in the student's home country. Airlines provide a variety of reduced fare plans and early booking can create substantial savings. Summer flights to the United States and England are quickly filled, hence travel arrangements should be made early.

VIII. PASSPORTS

Passports and visas are required for entry into the U.S. and England. Participating students should obtain their passports at their earliest convenience.

Any required passports and visas for international travel are the responsibility of the individual MCL student. **Early application is recommended.** The program director is available for consultation at students' request. Each student must obtain appropriate visas for the duration of the program, including travel through the U.S. after completing the Cambridge program. Students who intend on bringing dependents must consult with their Embassy to obtain the appropriate visa for them.

IX. MATERIALS FOR COURSE OF STUDY

Information concerning casebook materials for courses offered will be available in sufficient time to allow some preparation by students prior to the summer semester. Individual students who wish to have course materials for early preparation should request the necessary information from the program director.

X. RESPONSIBILITY AND MODIFICATIONS

The sponsoring law schools will not be responsible for personal injury, medical expenses, loss or damage to personal property, or changes in immigration requirements. Students must have medical insurance coverage which applies to foreign travel covering sickness and accidental injury, medical evacuation and repatriation. Proof of the requisite insurance must be submitted to the program director prior to May 12, 2012. MCL students are required to purchase Samford's insurance policy. If deemed desirable, students may also wish to purchase insurance covering loss or damage to personal property and trip cancellation. Students are expected to turn in all registration forms before arriving in Cambridge. A fee of \$100 will be charged to the student's account if Cambridge registration materials are not turned in by June 1, \$200 if not completed by June 15, and \$500 if not completed by June 29. Any student who fails to complete all Cambridge required registration materials and forms by June 29 is subject to dismissal from the program without refund of fees. The sponsoring schools reserve the right to change any aspect of the program which circumstances make necessary or desirable. Participants will be notified promptly of material changes or cancellation of the program.

XI. REFUND POLICY

Participants who withdraw before March 15, 2012, will receive a refund of all monies prepaid to Samford University other than the non-refundable registration fee. Participants withdrawing after the beginning of the program on **May 29, 2012**, will receive no refunds. In the event of cancellation of the program prior to program beginning, all monies prepaid, including the application fee, will be refunded.

XII.

CLASS SCHEDULES

Class schedules for MCL students will be determined for students participating in Birmingham on **May 29, 2012** during the registration process. Classes are held at the Birmingham campus generally Monday through Friday. Each MCL student should consult with the program director, in advance of commencing classes each semester, concerning courses to be taken during both the Birmingham and Cambridge portions of the 2012 Program. A schedule of events for the Cambridge program will be found at the end of these materials.

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Please attach a recent photograph.

**APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW
MASTER OF COMPARATIVE LAW
GRADUATE PROGRAM**

Last Name _____ First _____ Middle _____ Suffix _____

Professional Title _____ Preferred Name _____

Social Security Number _____ Date of Birth _____ Male Female
(month/day/year)

City of Birth _____ State of Birth _____ Country of Birth _____

Country of Citizenship _____

Visa Type _____ Exp Date _____

Are you Hispanic? _____ If not, what is your ethnic group? (Up to three entries are allowed.)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian | <input type="checkbox"/> Black/ African American |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaska Native | <input type="checkbox"/> White/ Caucasian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Please check your intended place of study:

Do you plan to rent a car in Birmingham?

- | | |
|---|------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Birmingham only | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cambridge only | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Birmingham and Cambridge | |

Permanent Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip or Postal Code _____ Country _____

Telephone () _____ Fax () _____

Cell () _____

E-mail Address _____

Emergency Contact _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip or Postal Code _____ Country _____

Telephone () _____

Relationship _____

To whom should statements of your tuition, fees, etc. be sent?

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip or Postal Code _____ Country _____

If you are a resident of a non-English speaking country, have you taken the Test of English as a Foreign Language [TOEFL]? Yes No

If so, when? _____ If not, when do you plan to take it? _____

List (in order of attendance) all colleges, universities and professional schools that you have attended.

Name of institution _____

Major _____ Minor _____

Dates of attendance _____ Class rank _____

Degree and date awarded _____

Name of institution _____

Major _____ Minor _____

Dates of attendance _____ Class rank _____

Degree and date awarded _____

Name of institution _____

Major _____ Minor _____

Dates of attendance _____ Class rank _____

Degree and date awarded _____

If you are not presently attending an educational institution, what is your current position?

List scholastic, honorary or professional societies of which you are or have been a member.

List any significant academic accomplishments, honors, etc.

List any volunteer social service work in which you are or have been involved and the amount of time devoted to it.

List other extracurricular activities. _____

If you are not currently attending an educational institution, describe the positions that you have held since your last attendance, indicating the length of your employment in each position. Use additional pages if necessary.

If the answer to any of the following questions is “yes,” you must submit with this application a full explanation of circumstances for each question so answered.

- a. Were you ever requested to withdraw from any school, college or university? Yes No
- b. Have you ever been suspended, dismissed, expelled or placed on probation for scholastic, disciplinary or other reasons by any school, college or university? Yes No
- c. Were you ever discharged or dismissed from the armed forces with other than an honorable discharge? Yes No
- d. Have you ever been convicted of a crime? Yes No

I hereby certify that the information I have provided on this application form and in any attached materials is true and complete.

Signature _____ Date _____

Application Checklist:

- \$100 application fee
- Authenticated copy of previous law school record (transcript)
- Copy of law degree
- TOEFL results (if from non-English speaking country)

We will be unable to act upon your application until all required materials have been submitted. The deadline for submitting your application is March 15. The program director may, at his discretion, decline to review an application not complete by March 15. Earlier applications are encouraged.

All completed applications should be express mailed to:

Professor Michael D. Floyd, Director
Master of Comparative Law Program
Cumberland School of Law
Samford University
Birmingham, AL 35229
U.S.A.

Questions? Call Professor Floyd, (205) 726-2304, fax (205) 726-2334 or e-mail law_intl@samford.edu

**SIDNEY SUSSEX COLLEGE
CAMBRIDGE, ENGLAND
2012 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
July 1 6:30 p.m. opening reception and orientation	2 The English Legal System and European Union 8:45-10:30 a.m. Coffee Break 10:45-12:30 p.m.	3 Class schedule same as July 2	4 Program-sponsored Field Trip- Royal Courts of Justice, Middle Temple Inn of Court, and Parliament. Bus to leave Cambridge at 7:00 a.m.	5 Class schedule same as July 2	6 Class schedule same as July 2 2:00 p.m. English Legal System exam	7 Weekend travel, study or rest
8 Weekend travel, study or rest	9 Legal and Constitutional History of Great Britain 8:45-10:30 a.m. Coffee Break European Union Law 10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Lunch Comparative Issues in Intellectual Property 1:30-3:15 p.m. Resolving Disputes Across Cultures 3:30-5:15 p.m.	10 Class schedule same as July 9	11 Class schedule same as July 9	12 Class schedule same as July 9	13 Long weekend available for travel.	14 Weekend travel, study or rest
15 Weekend travel, study or rest	16 Class schedule same as July 9	17 Class schedule same as July 9	18 Class schedule same as July 9	19 Class schedule same as July 9	20 Long weekend available for travel.	21 Weekend travel, study or rest
22 Weekend travel, study or rest	23 Class schedule same as July 9	24 Class schedule same as July 9	25 Class schedule same as July 9	26 Class schedule same as July 9	27 Class schedule same as July 9	28 Study
29 Study 7:00 p.m. Closing Dinner	30 Class schedule same as July 9 LAST DAY OF CLASSES	31 Final Exams 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	Aug 1 Final Exams 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	2 Program ends. Students and Faculty must depart before 9:30 a.m.		