



The University of Wisconsin
Law School

EAST ASIAN LEGAL STUDIES CENTER



Madison, Wisconsin U.S.A.
<http://www.law.wisc.edu/ealsc>

Advanced Legal Studies Graduate Programs



For almost 20 years, the East Asian Legal Studies Center has worked with the Graduate Programs office at the Law School to help advise international students who come to the Law School for advanced legal studies (typically, after the bachelor of laws degree in their home country). Most students enroll in the Master of Legal Institutions (MLI) program, a one-year master's program in law that offers a wide selection of courses from the Law School's curriculum. Students in the MLI program gain a solid foundation in American law and make lasting friendships.

After receiving the MLI degree, some students focus on research and thesis projects in the Law School's LLM or SJD programs.



MLI students at a study session

For more information about Graduate Programs at the Law School, see <http://www.law.wisc.edu/grad>

Course and Library Enhancement



The Center supplements the Law School's curriculum with courses specifically for MLI students:

The American Legal System introduces the main areas of American law.

Legal Sources explains problem analysis using American case law and research skills using basic American sources.

Legal Writing for MLI Students teaches writing styles for documents used in a law firm and for the court.

The Center also encourages the development of courses for both JD and MLI students. Recent examples are:

- Legal Issues between North America and East Asia
- Japanese Law
- World Trade Organization and Free Trade Agreements Negotiations
- Chinese Law

The Center supplements the extensive collection of the Law Library with additional sources related to the legal systems of countries of East and Southeast Asia.

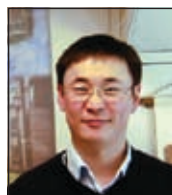


Law Library Grand Reading Room

For information about courses at the Law School, see <http://www.law.wisc.edu/academics/courses>

Scholarly Exchanges

The Center has hosted many visitors at the Law School over the years. Visitors have ranged from young academics who visit to do research to established professionals who may combine research with some teaching during their visit. If you are interested in knowing more about the Center's small but significant visiting scholar program, please contact the Center directly by email.



Professional Programs and Outreach



Participants in the Judicial Skills Training Seminar, 2007, at the Minnesota Supreme Court

The Center has organized and sponsored or co-sponsored numerous professional programs for almost two decades. These programs have taken place in Madison and also at other universities and locations.

Recent professional programs that illustrate the Center's extensive capabilities and demonstrates excellence include:

Judicial Skills Training Seminar for Judges from the High People's Court, Shanghai. This program, which began in 2002, starts with one week of instruction given in Shanghai by University of Wisconsin law professors and judicial representatives. The program continues for three weeks in Madison and other U.S. cities with lectures by professors, lawyers, and judges and with observations in state and federal courts.

Municipal Workers Administration Seminar. This program includes one week of instruction in Shanghai for municipal employees followed by two to three months in Madison and other cities in the U.S. for lectures, in both formal and informal settings, by professors and professionals in the field. A shadow internship is part of this seminar.

The Center also has developed short conferences lasting from one-half day to multiple days on a variety of topics. See <http://www.law.wisc.edu/ealsc/outreach.htm>. The Center's Director and Vice-Director would be pleased to consider your program ideas and can be contacted by email.

Student Opportunities



Thammasat University law faculty, law firm representatives, and UWLS summer interns

The Center is pleased to offer JD students a variety of work and research opportunities, such as the Bangkok Summer Internship (in cooperation with Thammasat University), short courses with universities in East and Southeast Asia, and travel research grants.



At the UW Law School

"I could not conceive of a better way to spend my first summer in law school. I learned more than I imagined about myself, the law, and the world in general."

- comment from a Bangkok summer intern



UW law students Vue Yang (left) and Lee Yang (right) with Prasit Leeprecha, Researcher at Chiang Mai University's Social Research Institute

"I feel as if I have gained a new perspective and am grateful that I had the opportunity to participate in this excellent program."

- comment from a short course program participant

For more information, visit
http://www.law.wisc.edu/ealsc/jd_students/

Center Personnel



The Center was established in 1990 by Professor **Charles R. Irish**, who has brought his wealth of knowledge in tax law and tax policy and his international experience in teaching, advising, and research to

the Center's programs and activities since the Center first began. The expertise in law teaching and legal practice of Professor **John K.M. Ohnesorge**, the Center's Vice-Director, continues the missions of the Center. Professor **W. Lawrence Church** has acted as a consultant to the Center since its inception.



The Center's Program Associate, **Ethel E. Pellett**, has worked at the Center since its beginning. She coordinates with excellence the Center's interactions with the Graduate Programs office to ensure that the graduate students have a successful study experience at the Law School.



The Center's Associate Director, **Susan Katcher**, assists with the Center's programs and activities and teaches in the MLI program. **Jessica Harrison** also teaches in the MLI program. **Wenjie Hu** is the Center's Associate Outreach Specialist.

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of the
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