



LL.M. IN INTERNATIONAL LAW

FINANCE OPTIONS





INTRODUCTION

The LL.M. in International Law is committed to supporting students from a variety of backgrounds. As a result we will endeavour to help admitted students to secure funding for their studies where they have requested financial assistance. This booklet presents a variety of possibilities, including the Graduate Institute scholarships, individual applications for financial assistance and student loans.

We will be happy to provide administrative support where possible to admitted students who seek financial assistance through avenues independent of the Graduate Institute. In addition to the possibilities described in this brochure, we would recommend the following courses of action when seeking financial assistance for the LL.M. in International Law:

1. Contact the student services office of your present study institution for information on scholarships and finance available in your home country;
2. Contact the education department of the government in your home country, who may be able to offer advice on funding options offered by the government;
3. Contact the nearest Swiss consulate or embassy, who may be able to assist you in determining whether you are eligible for financial support offered by the Swiss government.



GRADUATE INSTITUTE SCHOLARSHIPS

The LL.M. Programme has secured some funds for the provision of a limited number of scholarships for students from selected countries. These scholarships may include:

- **Tuition fee scholarships**—covering the total cost of tuition (CHF 25,000)
- **Maintenance scholarships**—a stipend towards the costs of living in Geneva for ten months (CHF 18,000)
- **Full scholarships**—covering the cost of tuition and a stipend towards the cost of living in Geneva for ten months (CHF 43,000)

Applications for these scholarships should be made alongside your application to the LL.M. Programme. The application form for scholar-

ships, as well as a list of the documentation required, is available on the [Admissions](#) page of the LL.M. website.



INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The pages that follow indicate a number of avenues through which students may apply individually for funding from a variety of organisations and foundations. Participants may also be able to apply for funding from foundations or organisations in their home country. Where we are unable to offer scholarships to those who require them, we intend to work with admitted students to the LL.M. Programme to match

them with possible sources of funding that they are eligible for.

If you think you may be eligible for any of the funding described in this part of the brochure, or any other available funding not included, please contact the LL.M. Programme Manager, whose contact details are available at the end of this brochure. We will assist and support applicants in whatever way possible through the application process.



GENERAL

- **International Scholarship Programme** A comprehensive online listing of grants, scholarships, loan programmes, and other information.

Website: <http://www.internationalscholarships.com/>

- **EU Scholarships Portal** An online database of available scholarships and grants for study in Europe, including Switzerland.

Website: <http://www.scholarshipportal.eu/#basic>

- **Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program** The programme awards scholarships to individuals from World Bank member countries to undertake graduate studies at universities renowned for their development research and teaching.

Website: <http://www.worldbank.org/wbi/scholarships/>

- **IFUW International Fellowships** The International Federation of University Women offers a limited number of fellowships and grants to women graduates for advanced research, study and training.

Website: <http://www.ifuw.org/what/fellowships/>

- **Rotary Foundation District and Global Grants** Scholarships are available through local Rotary clubs for academic studies that further the Rotary Foundation's mission.

Websites: http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/RunningADistrict/FutureVisionPilotProgram/Pages/fv_district_grants.aspx; http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/RunningADistrict/FutureVisionPilotProgram/Pages/fv_global_grants.aspx

- **The Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program (IFP)** Provides opportunities for advanced study to exceptional individuals who must be resident nationals or residents of an eligible IFP country or territory.

Website: <http://www.fordifp.net>

- **The Aga Khan Foundation** Provides a limited number of scholarships each year for postgraduate studies to outstanding students from developing countries who have no other means of financing their studies. Scholarships are awarded on a 50% grant / 50% loan basis through a competitive application process once a year in June or July.

Website: http://www.akdn.org/akf_scholarships.asp

- **Swiss Government Scholarships** Through the Federal Commission for Scholarships for Foreign Students (FCS), the Swiss Confederation offers a number of scholarships to foreign researchers.

Website: http://www.sbf.admin.ch/htm/themen/bildung/stipendien/eskas_en.html

- **Canton of Geneva** If you are a Geneva resident or taxpayer, you may be entitled to a *chèque formation* for further education of a value of CHF 750 (Course reference: 2211).

Website: <http://www.ge.ch/cafi/>

- **Humane Studies Fellowships** Awarded to graduate students planning academic careers and engaged in liberty-advancing research, including in the field of law.

Website: <http://www.theihs.org/humane-studies-fellowships>

AFRICA

- **La Fondation Daniel Suter** Aims to contribute to the economic development of a variety of African countries, as well as to improve understanding between the citizens of these countries and the industrialised world.

Contact: Desgouttes, Fiechter et Ganzoni, avocats avenue de Champel 4 1206 Genève, Switzerland

ALBANIA

- **Albanian International Scholarship Foundation (AISF)** Finances university studies for students of Albanian origin.

Website: <http://www.aisf.ch/etudes-echanges>

ARGENTINA

- **Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA (BBV)** BBV offers various scholarships for Argentinian students.

Contact: Banco Francés del Río de la Plata S. A. Tel: 00 54 1 3464000

AUSTRALIA

- **Australia & New Zealand My Future** A search engine detailing various funding options available to Australian and New Zealand Students.

Website: <http://www.myfuture.edu.au/The%20Facts/Funding/Awards%20and%20Scholarships.aspx>

- **The Joint Academic Scholarship On-line Network** A search engine that contains information about postgraduate scholarships. The scholarships in the database apply to Australian students wishing to study at home or abroad, and to international students wishing to study in Australia.

Website: <http://www.jason.unimelb.edu.au>

BERMUDA

- **Bermudascholarships.com** An online forum for researching, applying for and the granting of education-based awards.

Website: <http://bermudascholarships.com/>

- **Bank of Bermuda Foundation Scholarships** The Bank of Bermuda Foundation offers several scholarships for Bermudians.

Website: <http://www.hsbc.bm/1/2/about/community/foundation-scholarships>

BRAZIL

- **Estudar Foundation** If you are accepted or enrolled in an LL.M. at a university abroad it is possible to sign up on this website and compete for a scholarship.

Website: <http://www.estudar.org.br/programadebolsas/>

- **Projeto Start—Instituto LING** Scholarships awarded to LL.M. students attending the best universities in the world.

Website: http://www.institutoling.org.br/?page_id=95

CANADA

- **Dr. Alice E. Wilson Award** Offered by the Canadian Federation of University Women for graduate studies in any field, with special consideration given to candidates returning to study after at least three years.

Website: <http://www.cfuw.org/en-ca/fellowships/winners/draliceewilsonawards.aspx>

- **1989 Ecole Polytechnique Commemorative Award** Grant for graduate studies in any field for work relevant to women.

Website: <http://www.cfuw.org/en-ca/fellowships/winners/1989%C3%A9colepolytechniquecommemorativeawards.aspx>

- **The Ontario Graduate Scholarship Program** Information on the Ontario Graduate Scholarship Program is available through participating institutions, a list of which may be found on the Program website.

Website: <https://osap.gov.on.ca/OSAPPortal/en/A-ZListofAid/PRD1346626.html>

- **Foreign Government Awards Program** Scholarship awards for Canadians who wish to study abroad.

Website: http://www.scholarships-bourses.gc.ca/scholarships-bourses/can/fga_switzerland-bge_suisse.aspx?lang=eng&view=d

- **Scholarshipscanada.com** Extensive database for researching scholarships, bursaries and grants.

Website: <http://www.scholarshipscanada.com>

CHILE

- **Agencia de Cooperación Internacional de Chile (AGCI)** A variety of scholarships available for Chilean students wishing to study abroad.

Website: <http://www.agci.cl>

- **Corporacion de Fomento de la Produccion (CORFO)** An executing agency of Chilean government support initiatives.

Website: <http://www.corfo.cl/programas-y-concursos>

CHAD

- **Fondation Tchad-Avenir** Provides a limited number of scholarships to students from Chad for their studies in a foreign country. Support can include the coverage, in whole or in part, of tuition fees and the costs of travel.

Email: cl.maurer@bluewin.ch

CHINA

- **The China Scholarship Council** Information on Chinese scholarship programmes.

Website: <http://en.csc.edu.cn/>

COLOMBIA

- **COLFUTURO** – a private foundation that offers scholarships and loans to students who wish to attend post-graduate courses abroad. All candidates must be bilingual (eg Spanish/English) to qualify, have at least one year of work experience after completing their first degree, and be at least 25 years old.

Website: <http://www.colfuturo.org/index.php?page=5&site=1&idFile=7109&id=7109&owner=0>

DENMARK

- **Scholarships for Study Abroad** Danish Students Grants and Loans Agency.

Website: <http://www.su.dk/English/Sider/scholarships.aspx>

- **C.W. Strandes Legatfond** Support for one year of study available from DKR 5,000 to 10,000.

Website: <http://www.cwsl.dk/>

- **Knud Højgaards Fond** A fund to support professional, cultural, scientific, social and artistic purposes for the benefit of Denmark and its people among others by contributing to the Danish youth qualification and training. Fund support for education may be granted as student loans, grants for travel, publications or similar.

Website: <http://www.khf.dk>

- **Krista og Viggo Petersen's Fond** Support for high-achieving young people in both theoretical and practical training abroad.

Contact: Krista & Viggo Petersens Fond, c/o Advokat T. Ingemann-Hansen, Amaliegade 42, 1256, København K. Tel: 33 11 33 99

- **Reinholdt W. Jorck og Hustrus Fond** A fund to support training for young people who have obtained a bachelor's or master's degree in the legal, social science or medical field.

Website: <http://www.fonde.danskerhverv.dk/JorcksFond.htm>

- **Thomas B. Thriges Fond** Support for one year's study for individuals likely to have an impact on business.

Website: <http://www.thrigesfond.dk/>

- **Danish Society for Education and Business** Funding for the development of business skills.

Website: <http://www.fuhu.dk/>

- **Bogforlagene Billesø & Baltzer** A listing of available grants

Website: <http://www.billesoe.dk/bogreol/legater.htm>

FINLAND

- **The Social Insurance Institution of Finland (KELA)** Information on financial aid for students.

Website: <http://www.kela.fi>

- **Suomen Lakimiesliitto Ry** A prize awarded to distinguished lawyers following the completion of a law degree.

Website: <http://www.lakimiesliitto.fi/etusivu/palkinnot>

GERMANY

- **Auslands BAFÖG** Financial support for Germans who pursue postgraduate study abroad.

Website: <http://www.auslandsbafoeg.de/>

GREECE

- **Alexander Onassis Public Benefit Foundation** Scholarships are awarded to Greek students pursuing postgraduate studies outside of Greece.

Website: <http://www.onassis.gr/en/scholarships-greeks.php>

- **IKY Institution of States Scholarships** Scholarships for Greek students.

Website: <http://www.iky.gr/en/scholarships>

HONG KONG

- **Sir Edward Youde Memorial Fellowships for Overseas Studies** Aim to finance outstanding Hong Kong students for overseas postgraduate studies.

Website: <http://www.sfaa.gov.hk/eng/scholar/seym3.htm>

INDIA

- **The Inlaks Foundation Scholarships** Available for graduate courses at European institutions.

Website: <http://www.inlaksfoundation.org>

INDONESIA

- **Putera Sampoerna Foundation (PSF)** Support is available for Indonesian students studying abroad.

Website: <http://www.sampoernafoundation.org/>

IRELAND

- **Student Finance** Information on financial support for further and higher education.

Website: <http://www.education.ie>

- **The O'Reilly Foundation** The Foundation supports a programme of scholarships to provide world-class educational opportunities for outstanding young Irish scholars to undertake post-graduate education in their chosen field and in an institution or university of their choice.

Website: <http://www.oreillyfoundation.ie>

ITALY

- **Ministero degli Affari Esteri** Information on scholarship opportunities for Italians.

Website: <http://www.esteri.it>

- **Fondazione Luigi Einaudi** Scholarships and research grants for young scholars.

Website: <http://www.fondazioneeinaudi.it>

- **Fondation pour des bourses d'études italo-suisse** Scholarships for Italian students wishing to study in Switzerland.

Email: assist.bettex@st-francois.ch

MALTA

- **Malta Government Scholarship Scheme for Post-Graduate Courses** Scholarships provided by the Maltese Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth and Sport for specialised higher level education.

Website: <https://www.nche.gov.mt/page.aspx?pageid=102>

MEXICO

- **Becas Magdalena O. Vda de Brockmann** Support for postgraduate studies abroad for Mexican students.

Website: <http://www.becasmob.org.mx/>

NETHERLANDS

- **Dienst Uitvoering Onderwijs** Various means of finance available for students.

Website: <http://www.ib-groep.nl>

NEW ZEALAND

- **Ethel Benjamin Scholarship** The New Zealand Law Foundation awards this scholarship to outstanding New Zealand women for postgraduate study.

Website: http://www.lawfoundation.org.nz/?page_id=53

NORWAY

- **Research Council of Norway** Scholarships available for overseas postgraduate study and research.

Website: http://www.forskningsradet.no/en/Home_page/1177315753906

- **Johan Helmich Janson Og Marcia Jansons Legat** Provides scholarships to Norwegians for study abroad.

Website: <http://www.jansonslegat.no>

- **Association of Norwegian Students Abroad (ANSA)** Information on scholarships for Norwegian students studying abroad.

Website: <http://www.ansa.no>

- **Legathåndboken** A search engine for information on scholarships.

Website: <http://www.legathandboken.no>

SINGAPORE

- **Tan Kah Kee Foundation Postgraduate Scholarship** A scholarship that seeks to encourage Singapore citizens and permanent residents to pursue their master or PhD degree in a field relating to

the humanities.

Website: <http://www.tkk.wspc.com.sg>

SOUTH KOREA

- **The Paras Education Foundation** Financial aid programs for South Koreans who choose to pursue education abroad.

Website: <http://www.isloan.org/>

SPAIN

- **Ministerio De Asuntos Exteriores Y De Cooperación** Information on available scholarships for Spanish students.

Website: <http://www.aecid.es/es/convocatorias/becas/becas/infbas/1becasesp/index.html>

- **Fundación Caja Madrid** Scholarships for postgraduate studies.

Website: <http://www.fundacioncajamadrid.org>

- **Fundación Pedro Barrié De La Maza** Scholarships for postgraduate study abroad for students who have a connection with Galicia.

Website: <http://www.fbarrie.org>

- **La Fundación Ramón Areces** Grants for postgraduate studies in social sciences in foreign universities and research centres.

Website: <http://www.fundacionareces.es>

SWITZERLAND

- **Hirschmann Stipendium** A scholarship for students that have achieved outstanding results in their bachelor degree.

Website: <http://www.hirschmann-stipendium.ch/>

- **Fondation Pestalozzi** Grants or loans without interest for under-35s from mountainous and remote regions of Switzerland.

Website: <http://www.pestalozzi-stiftung.ch/stipendien/?lang=2>

- **Achille Isella Foundation** Scholarships available for promising young Swiss students, particularly from Ticino.

Website: http://www.sbf.admin.ch/htm/themen/bildung/stipendien/isella_fr.html

- **Janggen Poehn Foundation** Scholarships for outstanding students holding a bachelor degree and who are under 32 years of age.

Website: <http://www.janggen-poehn.ch/>

- **Lauris Tiers-Monde Foundation** Support for young people from developing countries to acquire additional training.

Contact: c/o ATHEMIS GESTION SA, Rue de la Treille 4, 2000 Neuchâtel

- **Swiss Foundations** A website with a comprehensive listing of foundations in Switzerland.

Website: www.swissfoundations.ch

- **Fondation ARPE** Offers scholarships towards higher education for young people in Switzerland.

Website: <http://fondationarpe.org/>

- **Giuseppe Kaiser-Stiftung** Provides educational assistance to talented individuals in science, economics and politics, especially to those from disadvantaged backgrounds as well as physically and mentally handicapped people.

Contact: Rötélstrasse 10 8413 Neftenbach

- **Stiftung Cardón** The Foundation supports underprivileged children and young people in their education with scholarships.

Email: mail@swisstm.com

- **Fondation Adelman pour l'Education** Financial support for students of all nationalities.

Contact: c/o Maître Bruno de Weck, Boulevard de Pérolles 12, 1700 Fribourg

- **Fondation Nadine de Rothschild** Aims to develop vocation in all its forms and encourages effort and entrepreneurship among young people through scholarships.

Contact: c/o Promotex SA Rue du Rhône 40 1204 Genève

- **Fondation François et Nicolas Grandchamp** Aims to support higher education, in particular universities, specialised programmes and research institutions through financial support by way of teaching supplements, student grants or other means.

Contact: c/o Etude de Preux, Besso et Schmidt, Avenue du Théâtre 7, 1005 Lausanne

- **Fondation internationale de Genève pour la formation académique et professionnelle** Grants scholarships and loans for academic and professional training.

Contact: c/o BSE Ecole SA Rue du Grand-Pré 58 1202 Genève

- **Fondation Valifonds** Financial assistance for deserving students through the allocation of scholarships to enable them to pursue university studies or professional development.

Contact: c/o Fiduciaire Moderne SA, Rue du 31-Décembre 70, 1207 Genève.

- **Caisse de bourses pour étudiants juifs en Suisse** Scholarships available for Jewish students.

Contact: Mme Dominique Lévy 15, rue Charles Galland 1206 Genève Tel: +41 22 312 72 81

- **bonopro** Financial support for students enrolled in masters programmes in Switzerland.

Website: <http://www.bonopro.org/>

USA

- **Federal Student Aid** Information on grants and scholarships from the federal government, state government, and other sources.

Website: <http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/grants-scholarships>

- **Fulbright Scholarship Program** Provides funding for students, scholars, teachers, and professionals to undertake graduate study, advanced research and university teaching.

Website: <http://www.iie.org/en/Fulbright/>

- **Swiss Benevolent Society** Awards scholarships and grants on the basis of need and merit for education above the high school level. The applicant or one of his or her parents must be a Swiss national.

Website: <http://www.sbsny.org/>



STUDENT LOANS

A further possibility for participants is a student loan. A number of options for students of various nationalities are listed below.

AUSTRIA

- **Bank Austria Creditanstalt** Postgraduate credit programme for Austrian students.

Website: <http://www.ba-ca.com>

COLOMBIA

- **COLFUTURO** A private foundation that offers scholarships and loans to students who wish to attend postgraduate courses abroad. All candidates must be bilingual (eg. Spanish/English) to qualify, have at least one year of work experience after completing their first degree, and be at least 25 years old.

Website: <http://www.colfuturo.org/index.php?page=5&site=1&idFile=7109&id=7109&owner=0>

DENMARK

- **Knud Højgaards Fond** Loans available to support professional, cultural, scientific, social and artistic purposes for the benefit of Denmark and its people among others by contributing to the Danish youth qualification and training.

Website: <http://www.khf.dk>

INDIA

- **The Narotam Sekhsaria Scholarship Program** Merit-based loan scholarships for pursuing post-graduate studies.

Website: <http://www.nsscholarship.net/>

MEXICO

- **Fundacion Mexicana Para La Educacion La Tecnologia y La Ciencia (FUNED)** a private foundation that offers below-market rate loans.

Website: <http://funedmx.org/>

- **Fund for the Development of Human Resources (FIDERH)** Partnership between the government of Mexico and the Bank of Mexico providing loans on favourable conditions to Mexican students.

Website: <http://www.fiderh.org.mx>

NETHERLANDS

- **Genootschap 'Noorthey' Lening** Loans for graduate students having Dutch nationality and who are at least 35 years old.

Website: <http://noorthey.com/>

SWITZERLAND

- **Canton of Geneva** The Canton of Geneva offers loans for students who have a Permis B or C and whose parents live in Geneva.

Website: <http://www.geneve.ch/bourses/bourses-prets-etudes-apprentissage/welcome.asp>

- **Fondation Sociale de la Chambre Vaudoise du Commerce et de l'Industrie (CVCI)** Interest-free loans for students residing in Vaud, subject to strict conditions.

Website: <http://www.cvci.ch/services/autres/fondinco0/prets.html>

- **Fondation internationale de Genève pour la formation académique et professionnelle** Grants, scholarships and loans for academic and professional training.

Contact: c/o BSE Ecole SA Rue du Grand-Pré 58 1202 Genève

SOUTH KOREA

- **The Paras Education Foundation** Student loans for South Koreans studying abroad.

Website: <http://www.isloan.org/>

USA

- **Federal Student Aid—U.S. Department of Education** An American national or permanent resident can apply for a loan if enrolled in a programme of postgraduate study. The available loans are:

The Stafford Loan

This loan supported by the US government is available to all students. This loan does not enter into repayment until 6 months after the student has completed the course or dropped below 50% attendance. There are 2 parts to the Stafford loan.

The Parent Plus loan

These loans are available to parents of dependent undergraduate students. The parent would take a loan out on behalf of the child to cover any additional educational costs. Parents can delay repayment of this loan until 6 months after the student has completed the course or dropped below 50% attendance.

The GRAD Plus Loan

These loans are available to graduate students and taken out in their own name under similar conditions to the Parent Plus loan. The student will need to complete an application form so that they are the student as well as the borrower. Students with low or little credit may require a co-signer. Students can defer repayment until 6 months after the completion of the course.

Private Loans

These are loans offered by some lenders to offer top up support and are not connected to the US government. They are available to all students, although some students may require a co-signer. The loans are based on credit history and therefore interest rates can vary. Repayment on these loans starts 6 months after completion of the course or 6 months after dropping below 50% attendance. It is strongly recommended that a student utilised all of the Federal funding available before applying to take out any private loans due to the increased costs normally involved.

Website: www.direct.ed.gov/



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