

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How many students can enroll in the program?

We currently have space to enroll 30 students, but are working to increase that number to 40. Each class enrollment is capped at 30.

Are there any prerequisites for the classes?

There are no prerequisites for any of the classes.

Where can I obtain a schedule of classes?

We are finalizing the schedule, and will post it on this website within the next few weeks. Classes will begin on July 15 and end on August 14.

How will courses be graded?

All courses will be graded based on a single take-home written examination. The courses will be graded on a scale from A to F, with pluses and minuses (no A+).

If I am not a student at the University of Akron School of Law, will credits for the courses transfer to my home school?

Acceptance of any credit or grade for any course taken in the program is subject to determination by the student's home school. The University of Akron School of Law has taken all appropriate steps to ensure that each class meets the requirements established by the American Bar Association for summer foreign programs, and will aid the student in any way necessary to provide non-Akron students with information that their home schools request.

If I attend a summer foreign program, can I graduate early?

According to the American Bar Association, it is unlikely participation in foreign summer programs may be used to accelerate graduation. Students interested in acceleration should be referred to their home schools to review this issue in light of Standard 305, Interpretation 4. University of Akron students may use the credits if they meet all other requirements for early graduation.

Could the program be cancelled?

The program will be cancelled if a condition develops at the site that would endanger the safety of the students or in the case of very low enrollment. Either of these is extremely unlikely. In either event, students would receive full refund of any moneys paid and the Director would assist students in finding alternative programs.

Where can I get information about passports?

The U.S. State Department website, which is located at:

<http://travel.state.gov/>

gives a wealth of useful information on foreign travel, including information about obtaining a passport.

When should I obtain a passport?

Because passport processing time is unpredictable, and tends to be longer as summer approaches, you should apply for a passport as soon as you decide to enroll in the program.

Do I need a visa in addition to my U.S. Passport or Canadian Passport?

Generally, no, as long as your stay does not exceed 90 days. See:

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1765.html

You should check the entry requirements for each country you plan to visit.

Where can I check for travel warnings?

The State Department posts travel warnings for U.S. citizens at

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/tw/tw_1764.html

The Program Director monitors this site regularly for travel warnings, although to the best of anyone's recollection, there has never been a travel warning for Switzerland or any of the surrounding countries.

The State Department posts an information page for Switzerland at

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1034.html

What websites will assist me in planning my trip?

For general European travel information, try:

http://europa.eu/abc/travel/index_en.htm

or

<http://www.visiteurope.com/us>

For information about Eurail passes, visit:

<http://www.eurail.com/>

For information about Swissrail, visit:

<http://www.sbb.ch/en/>