

**Graduate Program
Master of Laws (LL.M)
Santa Clara University
School of Law**

**APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
LL.M.**

**Intellectual Property Law
or
International and Comparative Law**

To the applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Santa Clara University School of Law LL.M. programs.

The programs for which this application is submitted are for individuals who received have received their J.D. (or equivalent) from a law school *in the United States*. (If your primary legal education was received outside the United States, you would be applying for a different degree, and thus must utilize a different application form. Please see the application for LLM in United States Law).

Santa Clara Law offers an LL.M. degree for United States trained lawyers in:

* Intellectual Property Law,

or

* International and Comparative Law

Applications must be received by **April 21, 2008**. Spring entry is available for applicants to the LLM in Intellectual Property Law. Spring 2009 applications must be received by August 15, 2008.

Detailed information about the programs can be found at www.scu.edu/law/admissions

For assistance, advice, or information, please call the Office of Graduate Legal Studies, at 408-551-1963, or via email at: llmadmissions@scu.edu.

To apply:

1. **Complete** this application. Use ink. Print clearly using block letters or type.
2. **Application service fee:** A non-refundable fee of \$250 (U.S.) must accompany the application .
Checks can be made payable to *Santa Clara University*.
3. **Documentation** is required to complete this application. Your application cannot be considered until all of the documentation is received. Accordingly, you must see that Santa Clara Law is provided with:

a) *Transcripts* (official and validated English language translations) of all colleges, universities, and graduate schools you have attended or are attending;

b) A *Personal Statement* that discusses your personal background, experience, and education, and discusses your reasons for wanting to pursue this program and outlines your career goals;

c) *Resume* or *Curriculum Vitae*; and

d) *Letters of Recommendation*: two letters of recommendation from individuals who are familiar with your academic or professional abilities as a lawyer. Letters of recommendation should be in a sealed envelope and mailed by the person making the recommendation directly to the address below. Do not attach letters to this application.

4. **Return:** completed application, deposit, and documentation should be sent to:

**Santa Clara University
School of Law
Graduate Legal Education
500 El Camino Real
Santa Clara, CA 95053 - 0424
U.S.A.**

5. **Deadline:** Applications, application fee, and full documentation must be received by **April 21, 2008**.

II. Educational, Professional, and Personal Background:

A. Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools Attended:

Please list all colleges, universities, and professional schools you have attended. Indicate degrees or diplomas you have earned or expect to earn:

Name of Institution	Location	Dates attending	Degree/Diploma	Area of Study
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Official English-language transcripts from the above institutions are required. The transcript must verify degrees earned, grades for each course, and, if possible, grade averages, and/or rank.

If you will not receive your law degree until after the date of this application, please indicate so above, with the expected date of degree. Insure that upon graduation, the certified degree is supplied to us. You can be admitted on condition that you receive your law degree prior to your matriculation at Santa Clara Law.

B. Academic Rank and Honors

1. Grades: Indicate approximate grade average for all courses taken while in colleges or universities _____

2. Rank or honors: Indicate class rank by percentage (“top 10%,” “top 50%”) or honors (“cum laude”, “first class”, “with distinction”, etc. (if available).

- Transcript should (if possible) reflect honors, rank, and grade averages.

If rank is not available officially, indicate your relative level of accomplishment (Outstanding, Superior, Average, or Below Average).

3. If your grades or rank places you “below average”, please attach in a separate sheet an explanation for your performance and/or provide reasons why you could expect to perform satisfactorily in a graduate program. Such explanation might include subsequent professional experience, additional educational work, etc.

4. Indicate recognition of academic excellence or accomplishment, such as honor societies, awards, etc.

5. Indicate academic activity such as editor of legal journal, officer of student organization, moot court competitor, etc.

6. Have you been disciplined, suspended, or expelled by an institution of higher education? Yes No

If “Yes” please explain fully on an attached separate sheet.

7. Publications: Have you had published any scholarly work, as a law student or as a professional? Yes No

If “Yes”, provide full title(s), and reference citation(s).

C. Occupational Experience

Explain fully in an attached resume and personal statement your personal and occupational experience. Below provide the basic information:

Employer	Telephone number	Dates	Type of Employment
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Have you been dismissed, discharged, or asked to resign from employment?
Yes [] No. [].
If “Yes” please explain circumstances in an attached separate sheet.

Explain any professional honors you have received (“lawyer of the year,” “president of the bar association,” “best publication in legal journal”.)

D. Professional Certification or Qualification

Have you been admitted to the bar of the legal profession, are you licensed to practice law, or do you possess other professional certifications? Yes [] No []
If “Yes,” please list:

Are you currently in good standing in the jurisdictions to which you were admitted to practice law? Yes [] No []
If “No” please explain in an attached separate sheet.

E. Language Skills

1. Are you a native speaker of English: Yes [] No []
If "No" what is your native language _____

2. If not a native speaker of English, indicate your experience in using the English language (e.g., "academic - in college", "professional - in my work", "travel or living in English speaking country".)

F. Experience Abroad (for International & Comparative Law Applicants only)

1. In what countries, other than your native country, have you traveled?

2. In what countries other than your native country have you spent extensive periods of time (more than two months)? What was the purpose of the visit(s) (education, employment, personal travel, etc.)?

I. Other:

1. Have you ever been convicted of a crime (misdemeanor or felony)?
[] Yes [] No
If "Yes" please explain nature of the offense, disposition thereof, and other relevant information. (Use a separate sheet to explain fully.)

2. Are you applying to other graduate or LL.M. programs?
[] Yes [] No
If "Yes", where are you applying (not required)?

3. How did you hear about Santa Clara's LL.M. program?
[] poster [] worldwide web [] professor
[] former Santa Clara Law student
[] other _____

III. Certification and Signature

I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this application and in all attached and separately submitted supporting documents is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I agree to provide updated information if my answer to any of the application questions should change between now and my matriculation at Santa Clara Law. I further certify that I have attended no other institution other than those listed above, herein, and that I understand that all materials and transcripts submitted to Santa Clara Law in conjunction with this application become the property of Santa Clara Law and will not be returned to me.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Return original signed application with application fee to:

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It is your responsibility to see that all supporting documents, such as English-language academic transcripts and letters of recommendation, are submitted to the above address and received by Santa Clara Law before April 21st. Your application cannot be processed until all required documentation is received.