LL.M. IN ENTERTAINMENT AND MEDIA LAW

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THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER’S “TOP TEN ENTERTAINMENT LAW SCHOOLS” IN THE U.S. FOR 7 YEARS

ENTERTAINMENT & MEDIA LAW
LL.M. PROGRAM IN THE U.S.

45+ COURSES

1,060+
NUMBER OF ALUMNI WHO HAVE SECURED JOBS IN ENTERTAINMENT

LL.M. graduate Antwan Alexander II studying with Dean’s Fellow Kanani Datan

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DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for the LL.M. degree in Entertainment and Media Law, students must have earned a Juris Doctor (J.D.) or equivalent degree and complete a minimum of 24 additional credit hours; 18 credit hours must be in courses within the entertainment and media law curriculum¹, including classes in our Los Angeles and London summer programs, and 18 credit hours must be earned at Southwestern.

Graduate students are free to elect up to 6 credits from any other courses offered by Southwestern. Courses taken for credit toward a J.D. degree will not be counted toward the LL.M. degree.

Students may attend on either a full-time (usually completed in one year) or part-time (usually completed in two years) basis. Students enrolled in the LL.M. program must attain a cumulative grade point average of 2.33 to earn the LL.M. degree. ² A graduate student who earns 24 credits with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or greater, but less than 2.33, will be awarded a Certificate of Completion and may be eligible to take certain state bar examinations, and, if successful, be admitted to practice.

¹ Copyright Law must have been completed within three years prior to entering the program or during the first semester of the program.

² An LL.M. student who has a J.D. degree from a U.S. law school and does not attain a 2.33 GPA in a semester will be placed on academic probation and will be academically disqualified after two consecutive semesters of full-time work below 2.33.

APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply for admission to the LL.M. program, prospective students must submit the following materials to the Biederman Institute:

- Application for Admission
- Application Fee
- Personal Statement
- Letters of Recommendation (minimum of 2)
- Current Resume/Curriculum Vitae
- Official Transcripts

Foreign applicants or applicants who completed their undergraduate and/or legal degrees at institutions outside the United States or Canada must fulfill additional requirements.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

This LL.M. program is a rigorous course of study designed to immerse graduate students in entertainment, media, and intellectual property law. Admission is based on the applicant’s potential for distinguished performance in (and contribution to) the program, academic record, the institutions awarding the baccalaureate and law degrees, professional experience and accomplishments, recommendations, areas of interest, diversity, and geographic factors.

EXTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Entertainment placements have included BBC Studios, CBS Television Studios, Lionsgate, Paramount Pictures, and SAG-AFTRA.

Being the first person in my family to graduate from law school, I never take an opportunity for granted. I earned an Entertainment and Media Law LL.M. degree at Southwestern and I aim to excel at the highest level, while inspiring others along my academic and professional journey. This is a real-life case of dreams turning into reality.”

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TUITION

LL.M. students are charged by the unit. For current tuition rates, visit www.swlaw.edu/ tuition. Students enrolled in the LL.M. program may be eligible for private student loans.