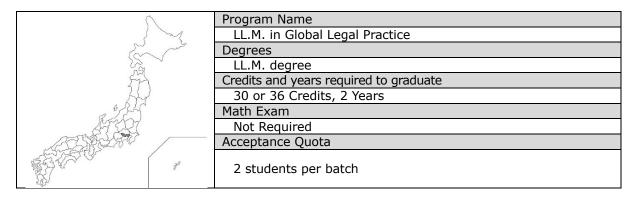
# **Keio University**

# **Law School**

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## Web Links

- Keio University: <u>https://www.keio.ac.jp/en/</u>
- Keio Law School (Graduate School): https://www.ls.keio.ac.jp/en/
- Course/Program: <a href="https://www.ls.keio.ac.jp/en/llm/">https://www.ls.keio.ac.jp/en/llm/</a>
- Syllabus: <a href="https://www.ls.keio.ac.jp/en/llm/course\_list">https://www.ls.keio.ac.jp/en/llm/course\_list</a>
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- International Student Support: https://www.ic.keio.ac.jp/en/#students

# Features of the University

Keio University is a private, comprehensive higher education institution located on six campuses spread across the Greater Tokyo area. It offers an environment of academic and research excellence in a wide range of fields and includes a university hospital. Founded in 1858 as Japan's first modern institution of higher learning, it has established itself as a leader in Japan through its continued commitment to education, research, and medicine over the last century and a half. Keio has ten undergraduate faculties, 14 graduate schools, over 30 research centers, a university hospital, and a university library boasting one of Japan's largest collections of books.

In 2014, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology launched the 10-year "Top Global University Project." This project promotes the internationalization of higher education by supporting new initiatives, interactions, and partnerships among the world's top universities. Keio University was

selected as a Type A University, one of the top 13 universities in Japan that conduct worldleading education and research.

#### Features of the Graduate School

Established in 2004 with the founding principles of "internationalism, multidisciplinarism, and pioneerism," Keio University Law School has become one of Japan's top law schools. It has established a strong track record of "internationalism," with many non-Japanese adjunct and full-time research faculty members and a curriculum that includes a considerable number of courses in English, generally focusing on business law.

The world is becoming increasingly interconnected, leading to a rise in international legal disputes and crime. It is, therefore, crucial for legal professionals to adopt a global outlook. Keio University Law School aims to meet this need by offering a rich range of elective courses teaching the basics of law in the United States, Europe, and Asia. American law, in particular, is taught primarily by full-time international faculty with legal and educational experience in Japan. Based on a hands-on study of international business law, students are trained to solve legal issues that span national borders from a global perspective.

With today's society changing at dizzying speed, new legal problems are constantly emerging, and legal professionals must be able to keep up with and deal with these issues as they arise. They must, therefore, be armed with the critical legal thinking skills to produce innovative

solutions unfettered by conventional wisdom, and this is where interdisciplinarity comes in. With its ten undergraduate faculties and 14 graduate schools, and about 160-year history as a leader in the field of liberal arts education in Japan, Keio University is the ideal place for students to develop a balanced historical sense in an environment that provides ample opportunity for the study of neighboring subjects and experience of international exchange.

#### Features of the Program

Keio University Law School (KLS) has established a LL.M. (LL.M. in Global Legal Practice) program that allows students to obtain a master's degree in English. The LL.M. course provides various law programs, specializing in: the business law; the international dispute resolution law; Japanese law; the Asian law, the law and development in Asia; the international law and the intellectual property law for students. These programs will contribute to the Nepali government's legal policy, which considers the efficient judicial process, establishment of efficient business law, and the intellectual property law system as urgent matters for promoting business investment in Nepal. KLS has been actively accepting international students who are international legal professionals or hold J.D. This approach has had a synergistic effect on learning with Japanese legal professionals at our campus and led to a global network. Furthermore, double degree arrangements with partner universities around the globe have accelerated the process.

### Curriculum

English is the exclusive language of instruction, and the program has enabled students to obtain an LL.M., in principle, within a single year of education. The LL.M. course aims to foster legal professionals who can work in legal institutions as lawyers, the legal staff of companies, and international organizations globally.

JDS fellows can use their expertise to contribute to Nepal's development by obtaining specialized law certification. The certificate in business law, law and development in Asia, and intellectual property law will especially promote to foster legal professionals who can work on development issues that the Nepali legal system is currently facing.

The KLS LL.M. course has faculty members

who have long been involved in legal cooperation and judicial reform in Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Myanmar, Nepal, East Timor, and other countries and have accumulated basic research on these countries' legal and judicial systems. The results of the studies are published by the Japanese Ministry of Justice International Cooperation Department. JDS fellows can get advice on their research, such as legislation of specific laws, dissemination of a legal system, improvement of access to justice, promotion of the rule of law, and comparative law studies.

#### **List of Courses:**

https://www.ls.keio.ac.jp/en/llm/course list .html

#### **List of Program members:**

https://www.ls.keio.ac.jp/en/faculty.html



Interactive Class (June 2024)

## Student Support System

Keio provides the following support to international students:

- Support for coursework and research
- A tutorial system for students. Tutors follow coursework and advise on a student's research paper. Tutors cooperate with students' supervisors and share students' study worries and research.
- Keio University has a Japanese course.
   Students can take some Japanese classes if they want.
- Support for academic life
- Students can use a clinic (English medical service is available) at the campus.
- Keio University has a prayer room for Muslim students. The student office introduces how to use the room for students.