This LL.M. is a unique program of study that appeals to a special breed—American and foreign attorneys with a dedication to the practice of law and a passion for sports in all its forms. For these lawyers, our International Sports Law Practice LL.M. is a perfect choice to give them a running start in this exciting international legal specialty.

Applications to the St. John’s LL.M. in International Sports Law Practice are reviewed on a rolling admissions basis. Online and mail-in applications are available at stjohns.edu/law/llm/islp

American Law: Discourse and Analysis Program (“ALDA”), is a non-degree program which can be combined with an LL.M. program at St. John’s. The program offers foreign-trained lawyers the opportunity to master the core principles and concepts of American law while earning a certification of proficiency in technical legal English.

Second Language (ESL) training at the University’s Language Connection program, the Law School’s American Legal English Program or the ALDA Program is recommended to help students achieve an adequate level of proficiency.

English Language Proficiency and Training
It is essential for admissions and to succeed in this program, that you have a high level of comprehension and oral and written expression in the English language.
A Great Sporting University in a Legendary Sport City…

The St. John’s LL.M. program in International Sports Law Practice is based at St. John’s School of Law, situated on St. John’s University’s scenic campus in Queens, the financial accessible of New York City’s five boroughs.

One of the founding members of the venerable Big East athletic conference, our Red Storm men’s basketball team has its home court at Madison Square Garden, one of the most famous sports venues in the world, and brings all the thrill of NCAA basketball to our campus. The Yanks and Mets, Red Bulls and Islanders, the Rangers and Knicks, the Jets and Nets, the NBA and the NFL—are all based in New York City, and the U.S. Open tennis Championship and the final race of horseracing’s Triple Crown held in New York City. New York is also home to every major U.S. sports league—the NFL, the NBA, the NHL and MLS—are all based in New York City, and the U.S. Open tennis Championship and the final race of horseracing’s Triple Crown held at Belmont Park.

Sports achievement knows no borders—why should you?

The LL.M. in International Sports Law Practice is a first-of-its-kind program in the U.S. Offered by St. John’s School of Law, this unique program is designed for attorneys with a passion for sports and a clear desire to practice in this rewarding global legal specialty.

INTENSIVE COURSES

The LL.M. in International Sports Law Practice is a rigorous two-semester, 25 credit hour program perfectly suited to a highly motivated attorney with a passion for this field of practice.

In the first semester (starting in January), you will enroll in four courses totaling 13 credit hours.

• International and Comparative Sports Law
• U.S. Sports Law
• Dispute Resolution for Sports: Negotiation, Mediation and Arbitration
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In the second semester (starting in January), you will be working full time in a practice placement with a sports law firm, agency, team, league or regulatory body, either in the U.S. or overseas. This 12 credit hour semester includes:

• Practicum for your on-site practice placement
• Practice Writing Seminar consisting of production of a portfolio of professional writing

Examples of previous placements include: MLS, NFL, USOC, UEFA, USTA, WTA, NASL, CONCACAF, and law firms specializing in Sports Law in Brazil, Spain, Colombia, USA, Germany, Israel, and Switzerland, among many others.

Through a combination of engaging classroom and experiential learning, doors will open to your career.

The LL.M. Thesis consisting of substantial academic writing on a selected sports law topic

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The LL.M. program is one of the best decisions I have ever made. The professors and guest lecturers that participate in the program, and news that circulate there helps to bring you into the legal field. As a young attorney, the LL.M. program was a perfect fit for me. I was able to take classes in the area of sports law and how the law works in this field. The LL.M. program was great for me because it allowed me to focus on this area of law and learn from the best.