Program Overview

The Center for Law and Global Affairs (LGA) is the hub for everything international at the ASU Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law. It provides opportunities for students to cultivate their global perspective in a variety of ways, ranging from courses with top international law scholars to participation in international projects to study and work abroad. In a rapidly changing world, LGA helps prepare students for international careers in law and policy by exploring job possibilities and connecting them to key figures in law firms, government, and international organizations. With LGA, students have a home for engaging their international interests and learning from peers who hail from all over the world.

Gain knowledge and experience to help you reach your international goals with the following programs and activities:

- International Humanitarian Law Workshop (in partnership with the American Red Cross)
- Monthly lunch discussions on international law aspects of current events
- International Law Week
- Career speakers series
- International moot court competitions (Jessup, Vis)
- United Nations Subcommittee on the Prevention of Torture country briefing reports
- Honorary Student Member Program with Phoenix Committee on Foreign Relations
- Immigration Law and Policy Clinic
- North American Law Degree
- LLM with a concentration in Global Legal Studies
- Student groups such as the International Law Students Association and Law Society for Human Rights

Rule of Law and Governance Program

The Rule of Law and Governance Program, a joint effort between ASU Law and the McCain Institute for International Leadership, will teach students about the development of rule of law and good governance in transitional and post-conflict states. Led by Distinguished Professor of Practice Ambassador Clint Williamson, this training will prepare graduates for international development and policy jobs in the public and private sectors. Topics will include institution-building, transitional justice mechanisms, judicial and prosecutorial capacity-building, and business aspects involved with international development projects, among others. The program—open to JD, MLS, and LLM students—will be based in Washington, D.C., and also have an Arizona component. It will involve a mix of coursework, externships, and fieldwork. The program launches in spring 2016.

Clint Williamson
Former U.S. Ambassador for War Crimes Issues
Distinguished Professor of Practice

Beyond the Classroom

LGA Ambassadorships
Students can get involved with LGA from the start of their law school careers by applying to become an LGA ambassador. This select group works with LGA leadership to guide LGA’s activities and direction. They represent LGA amongst the student body by providing information about LGA events and programs and are a resource for students with international interests. Ambassadors receive special access to speakers and events and preference for work on international projects and research assistant positions. They also design and implement International Law Week during the spring semester.

Study Abroad
Argentina • Canada • Italy

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**Testimonials**

“As a student interested in international law and as an individual coming from Afghanistan, when I arrived last year at the Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, I was eagerly looking for an outlet through which I could not only engage my international interests but most importantly share with fellow students my extensive experience of living, studying, and working in the areas of human rights, rule of law, and justice in a war-torn country. I was looking for something beyond a traditional international law curriculum which exists in every law school. I was very happy to learn about the diverse activities of the Center for Law and Global Affairs. Over the past two semesters, LGA has provided me with many unique learning and networking opportunities through its enriching events. Most important, LGA has served as a great source of help and support for me and many other international students.”

- Mohammad Asif  
  JD Candidate, Class of 2016

“Going into law school, I had the lofty goal of practicing international environmental law without a deep understanding of what the practice entailed. The Center for Law and Global Affairs supported my interest and gave me the tools I needed to make my dream become a reality. Through working with Professor Bodansky on the development of International Climate Change Law, the LGA’s sponsorship of my Clinton Global Initiative Project, and traveling to Bogota, Colombia, for an international sustainable development moot court competition, I built a resume and skill set that allowed me to standout in a highly competitive job market. Now, I am employed with Gablehouse and Granberg, an environmental firm in Denver, Colorado, providing the opportunity to work on the complex issues associated with environmental disaster response in developing nations via UNEP’s Emergency Awareness and Preparedness programme (APELL). I know, because my employers told me, my work through LGA played a major role in me landing this position. Something I will be forever grateful for!”

- Evan Singleton  
  JD Class of 2014

“The Center for Law and Global Affairs has been tremendous in a number of ways. From helping me pursue my passion for international affairs and assisting in finding an internship in Washington, D.C., in the summer, LGA has gone above and beyond to help me build the connections, both here and in D.C., to make my law school and professional experiences productive and enjoyable.”

- Daniel Klingenberg  
  JD Candidate, Class of 2017

“The Center for Law and Global Affairs has been extremely supportive of my interests in international law and has provided me with many opportunities to engage with members of the international legal community locally, nationally, and abroad. LGA has supported me as I pursue studying and working abroad in Brazil. Its commitment to students is spectacular and upon graduation I know I will make it a point to continue to build a relationship with ASU.”

- Brenna Carpenter  
  JD Candidate, Class of 2017

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**Faculty Expertise**

- International nonproliferation and sanctions law
- Climate change
- Comparative contract law
- Cybercrime
- Espionage and covert action
- Foreign relations law
- Global development policy
- Global governance
- Global health law and policy
- International arbitration
- International business transactions
- International conflict of laws
- International environmental law
- International human rights
- International institutions
- International intellectual property
- Law and sustainability
- International tax law
- International trade law
- Laws of war
- National security
- Nuclear terrorism
- Public international law
- Rule of law and governance
- U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People
- U.N. treaty systems

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