OSGOODE’S
LLM IN CANADIAN COMMON LAW

Canada’s leading legal program for internationally trained lawyers.

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Step into the Canadian legal landscape with confidence.

Do you have a civil or common law degree from outside Canada, or a Bachelor of Civil Law from a Canadian university? Do you want to become licensed to practice law in a Canadian Common Law Jurisdiction? Osgoode Professional Development’s Professional LLM in Canadian Common Law program is designed for internationally trained lawyers and law graduates and gives you the foundational training you need in Canadian Common Law. You’ll get the opportunity to study with award-winning faculty while simultaneously meeting the Federation of Law Societies’ National Committee on Accreditation (NCA) requirements.

The Perfect Fit

**Top-notch instruction**
Gain access to some of the leading minds in Canadian law and leverage their experiences to help your growth.

**Academic Support**
Maximize your growth and success by taking advantage of academic advising services available to you.

**Location**
Get the best of both worlds with classes held in two locations: downtown Toronto, and at York University’s Keele Campus. Immerse yourself in the hustle and bustle of one of the world’s top-rated cities. Experience the culture, cuisine and social life that Toronto has to offer, and find out firsthand why the UN rates Canada as one of the best countries in the world to live in.

**Career Development Support**
Attend seminars and workshops, or get one-on-one advice to update your CV/resume for the Canadian legal market. Receive feedback from senior legal professionals during mock interviews. Get the tools that will ensure your success in the Canadian legal environment.

**Build your network**
Build relationships and study with professionals from around the globe right in your classroom. These are your future friends, clients and colleagues.

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The Canadian Common Law program is flexible enough to satisfy NCA requirements but also allows you to explore your areas of interest.

H.B. Michael Kim, Esq.
LLM in Canadian Common Law (Class of 2017)
Toronto Criminal & Immigration Lawyer
H. B. Michael Kim Professional Corporation

Transitioning from civil law to common law has been an enjoyable challenge. All the skills I’ve built in the course of this program are entirely transferable. The support of a competent faculty helped me customize and tailor my education according to my strengths and personal areas of interest. They were crucial in providing a smooth transition.

Bruna Kalinoski, LLB, LLM
LLM in Canadian Common Law (Class of 2017)
Associate, McCarthy Tétrault LLP
If you’re a common-law trained lawyer, you can:

- Complete all your NCA required subjects
- Explore electives that suit your interests
- Translate your legal knowledge to the Canadian system
- Access career development support tailored to the Canadian legal market

If you’re a civil-law trained lawyer, you can:

- Complete most, if not all, of your required NCA subjects
- Learn foundational common-law concepts and skills you need to prepare for practice in Canada
- Access information about and support for the licensing process and Canadian legal market

Program Format

This degree requires completion of 36 credits obtained through coursework or a combination of coursework and a research paper. Courses are offered in a combination of weekly and intensive formats. Attendance in person in Toronto is required.

You won’t have to commit to a thesis, but your progress and performance will be evaluated through short papers, presentations, and exams.

Note: Completing the Professional LLM in Canadian Common Law does not automatically entitle you to practise law in Canada or to be admitted to the Bar of a Canadian province or territory. Consult the NCA or your provincial/territorial law society for more information.

Sample of Core Courses

- Canadian Professional Responsibility (equivalent to NCA Canadian Professional Responsibility)
- Canadian Constitutional Law (equivalent to NCA Canadian Constitutional Law)
- Canadian Criminal Law (equivalent to NCA Canadian Criminal Law)
- Canadian Administrative Law (equivalent to NCA Canadian Administrative Law)
- Business Associations (equivalent to NCA Corporate Law)
- Canadian Law of Obligations (equivalent to NCA Torts and NCA Contracts)
- Evidence (equivalent to NCA Evidence)
- Legal Drafting

Elective Courses

Ten to twenty courses from the Canadian Common Law specialization are offered each term. In addition, Osgoode PD has 14 other specializations, like Business Law, Privacy and Cybersecurity, and Constitutional Law. Each term, many of these specializations offer courses that Canadian Common Law students can choose as electives.

Note: Faculty, curriculum, course descriptions, degree requirements and tuition are subject to change without notice. Please visit our website for the most up-to-date information.

Attend an Information Session

Sign up for a live information session to have your questions answered by a member of our staff. osgoodepd.ca/cclw-info
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Tuition and Fees

Fees for Domestic Students
Tuition for the Canadian Common Law LLM program is currently $22,804.74 plus supplementary fees.

Fees for International Students
Tuition for the Canadian Common Law LLLM is currently $42,314.73 plus supplementary fees.

Visit our website for complete details about supplementary fees, payment schedules, and what your tuition and fees cover. York University’s Student Financial Services website (www.sfs.yorku.ca) has complete details on all tuition and fees. Tuition is subject to change without notice.

Application Deadlines

International/visa applicants interested in full-time study should complete their application file by the international applicant deadline, which is typically in February for Fall intakes and July for Winter intakes. This will ensure that your file will also be considered for the international entrance scholarship.

Domestic applicants interested in full-time study should complete their application file by the deadline, which is typically in April for Fall intakes and September for Winter intakes. Domestic applicants interested in part-time study should complete their application file by the deadline, which is typically in May for Fall intakes and October for Winter intakes.

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