OSGOODE’S PROFESSIONAL MASTER OF LAWS (LLM) IN HEALTH LAW

Develop your expertise with Canada’s leading part-time, Professional LLM for lawyers, executives and senior professionals working in the healthcare industry

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Deepen your knowledge and challenge your perspective.

The law is always evolving and you need to stay ahead of it whether you’re a lawyer, doctor, or health care industry executive. Immerse yourself in a rich learning environment with classmates who are as passionate about learning as you are, and tap into the minds of our faculty who are shaping the debate in the area of health law. Dive deeper into legal issues you currently face and walk away being able to serve your organization or clients at a whole new level.

Program Features

Designed for working professionals
You’ll get an academic experience through coursework that deepens your knowledge and is tailored to the working professional. If you want to complete a major research paper, you have that option.

Rigorous courses taught by top-notch instructors
Get access to some of the leading minds in Canadian health law and leverage their experiences to help your growth.

Convenient
You’ll take courses in a combination of weekly and intensive formats to minimize your time away from other commitments.

Accessible from anywhere
If you live outside the Greater Toronto Area, this program can be completed exclusively through videoconferencing (refer to website for details on each course).

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

Diverse set of peers
Open to candidates with a JD/LLB and to professionals with a university degree, superior academic record and work experience related to the health sector.
Program Format

This two-year, part-time degree requires completion of 36 credits obtained through coursework and a Major Research Paper, or coursework only.

You won’t have to commit to a thesis, but your progress and performance will be evaluated through papers, presentations and take-home assignments. Each LLM incorporates a research requirement, which is typically evaluated on the basis of one or more papers.

Required Courses

The Canadian Health Care System: Legal Frameworks [3 credits]
Health care in Canada is governed by multiple legal regimes that continue to increase rapidly in both number and complexity. The purpose of this course is to provide an overview of the legal frameworks within which health care systems, providers and funding regimes operate and patients receive care.

The Canadian Health Care System: Bioethics and the Law [3 credits]
This course is concerned with ethical problems or issues that are associated with the practice of the health care professions. Both normative bioethical theories and law must respond to these health care ethical problems. The emphasis is on the analysis and critique of some of the major bioethical theories, and their application to some of the major health care problems and issues found at the intersection of law and bioethics.

Sample Elective Courses

Mental Health Law [3 credits]
This course introduces a legal framework for the delivery of mental health services in Canada. The course provides a historical introduction to mental health law, its policy underpinnings and a review of the major mental disorders. It also considers the differences and interplay between the civil and forensic mental health systems. It then covers key current issues at a more advanced level.

Comparative Health Law [3 credits]
This course examines the role of the legal system and of legal institutions in overseeing health care professionals, organizations, systems, and in protecting the rights of patients in various countries. It provides an international and comparative context for the study of Canadian health care law, considering the law of both common and civil law jurisdictions. It will focus primarily on the law of European and English-speaking countries, but will also touch on the law of countries from other legal traditions.

Human Rights, Globalization and Health Law [3 credits]
The intersection between human rights and disability is an area of health law that is expanding exponentially as globalization progresses. The purpose of this course is to introduce a human rights framework to the concept of disability from both domestic and international perspectives.

Complete descriptions for the following courses are available on our website.

- Malpractice in Health Care [3 credits]
- Information Technology in Health Law [3 credits]
- Professional Governance [3 credits]
- Intellectual Property in Health Law [3 credits]
- Biotechnology and Issues in Health Law [3 credits]
- Health Facilities Law [3 credits]
- Major Research Paper [6 credits]

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.

CPD accredited for legal practitioners
OsgoodePD is an Accredited Provider of Professionalism Content by the LSUC. All of our LLM courses are eligible for substantive CPD hours and some are eligible for professionalism hours.
Tuition and Fees

The 2017/2018 tuition, which includes both years of the Professional LLM program and required course materials, is $24,132.02 for domestic students and $35,537.70 for international students, plus supplementary and additional fees. Please visit the tuition section on our website for complete details on scholarships, payment schedules, and videoconferencing fees.

Application Deadline

The application deadline for the September 2018 intake is May 9, 2018. We recommend submitting your application well ahead of the posted deadline as spaces in this program are limited.