Israel and International Law Program

Introduction to Israeli Law and Society (Mishpatim) | May 4 - 25, 2020

The theme of the course is "Traditional Peoples and Newcomers in the Start-up Nation". An introduction is given to the development of Israel as a centre for science and innovation. The course will further explore the challenges of integrating into that ultramodern economy, individuals from groups such as ultraorthodox Jews, Israeli Arabs, Druze, Bedouin, foreign guest workers, refugees from Sudan and other parts of East Africa and immigrants from places such as Ethiopia.

The course approaches the theme by exploring the legal and social framework, including a look at the constitutional evolution of Israel, including human rights law, and the legislative framework for innovation.

The course is delivered through a combination of classroom lectures and field visits. The academic leader is Dr. Daniel Ohana, a Canadian-educated lawyer now teaching in Israel. The Canadian academic coordinator is Bryan Schwartz (J.S.D. Yale), Asper Professor of International Business and Trade Law at the University of Manitoba, and a visiting professor at Hebrew University. Bryan designed the course and attends every year.

Prerequisites
Must be enrolled at the Faculty of Law and in good academic standing.

Location
Classes take place at the Mount Scopus Campus of Hebrew University, with a number of site visits.

Required Reading
"Start-up Nation" by Dan Senor and Saul Singer is a basic introduction to the course.

Residence
University student dorms (mandatory).

Evaluation
4 hour written examination.

Credits

Three credits from the Rothberg School of Hebrew University transferrable to the University of Manitoba.

Please note that the credit hours are applied to your following year of law school (e.g. if you are between year 1 and 2 in May 2020, the credit hours are applied to year 2). For more information regarding credit hours, please contact the Associate Dean's office.

Cost
(note the currency)

Airfare: $1,500 to $2,000 CAD (approximately). Many students visit other parts of Europe or the Middle East before or after their study.

Tuition & dorms: $2,270 USD (tuition) $660 USD (dorms).

Living costs: $1,000-$1,600 CAD (approximately). Students pay for their own meals and local transportation.

Letter of permission: $73.50 CAD (non-refundable). Robson Hall students must apply for a letter of permission in order to qualify for the transfer of credits.

Required Reading: $20 CAD (approximately). "Start-up Nation" by Dan Senor and Saul Singer.

Deposit: $250 USD (non-refundable). The deposit is part of the overall tuition cost, and is not an additional charge.

Registration Fee: $80 USD (**not** included in the tuition fee). The registration fee is required when registering through Hebrew University's online registration portal.

Total approximate cost: $5,910 - $7,010 CAD

Israel and International Law Program Travel Award

Important Dates
October 1, 2019 – Registration opens

October 3, 2019 – Information Session – 1:00-1:50 p.m. – Room 207

February 14, 2020 – Deadline to complete your application (including medical forms)

March 1, 2020 – Deposit deadline

April 1 2020– Deadline to apply for a letter of permission through the Registrar's Office

More information

- Past syllabi, student feedback and other material are posted on the course website http://law.robsonhall.com/current-students1/hebrew-university-summer-program-2/.
- For a general overview, curriculum, and application process visit Rothberg's website https://overseas.huji.ac.il/academics/summer-and-short-term-programs/faculty-led/special-programs/university-manitoba-introduction-israeli-law-society-ancient-peoples-newcomers-start-nation/
- Check your @myumanitoba.ca e-mail account and the course website for updates.