CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW, SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

Master of Comparative Law Program

2017 Program Description

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Samford’s Master of Comparative Law program is a unique and practical program for international scholars.

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STUDY LAW IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA DURING JUNE 2017 AND CAMBRIDGE, ENGLAND DURING JULY 2017
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I. PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Cumberland School of Law, Samford University, offers a unique opportunity for international judges, justices, law professors, prosecutors and legal practitioners to obtain a Master of Comparative Law degree (MCL) from an American Bar Association-accredited law school without having to spend a continuous academic year in residence. The law school began the MCL program in 1994 and has conferred 58 MCL degrees.

During their time in the program, MCL students earn at least 16 credit hours toward their degrees by participating in the June/July summer semesters. Classes are conducted on the Samford University Campus in June. Students have the opportunity to attend a Cumberland School of Law study-abroad program for the July portion of the program; the 2017 Cumberland study-abroad program will be held in England at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge.

Each MCL candidate is also required to complete a thesis approved by the MCL Graduate Degree Program Faculty Committee. Each student chooses courses and a thesis topic in consultation with the MCL program director. All course work and the thesis must be satisfactorily completed within five years from the time that the candidate enters the MCL program. The thesis does not count towards the required 16 course credit hours, but an additional four credit hours will be awarded, on a pass-fail basis, upon satisfactory completion of the thesis.

II. MCL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

MCL degree candidates are expected to complete approximately eight credit hours per summer semester, including required courses treating comparative constitutional law, legal research and writing for international scholars, legal process and procedures during the first semester, and a required advanced seminar during the second semester. In addition to the required courses, the MCL candidate may enroll in other courses offered in the substantial law school summer curriculum, as well as courses designed especially for the program, with the approval of the program director. In previous years, MCL candidates have taken courses treating alternative dispute resolution, business taxation, comparative constitutional law, comparative consumer protection law, comparative criminal procedure, comparative taxation, comparative trial systems, comparative remedies, English constitutional history, law of the European Union, international business transactions, international law, comparative legal ethics, global issues in education, equality and human rights law, world trade organization, English legal system, intellectual property, resolving disputes across cultures, international banking law, data privacy, international law of art and cultural
heritage & acquisitions, comparative counterterrorism law and the history of the law of nations.

MCL candidates are required to maintain a minimum of a "B" average to satisfy degree requisites (this is a 3.0 minimum cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 academic scale).

Participants in the 2017 MCL program should plan to arrive in Birmingham by May 29. Transportation from the Birmingham airport to the residence hotel will be available on May 29. The residence hotel will be selected by the program director, and all MCL students will reside at the selected location. Classes will commence on May 31. The first four weeks of class will be conducted on the Birmingham campus of Samford University. Following examinations on June 29, the MCL candidates will travel to Cambridge to commence the second month of the program.


Beginning MCL candidates should register for 2017 with the program director prior to March 15, 2017. Early registration is encouraged. First-year MCL students must attend the June portion of the program in Birmingham and complete the required courses before they will be eligible for additional MCL classes. First-year MCL students are required to take Legal Research and Writing for International Scholars, Comparative Constitutional Law, and Comparative Civil and Criminal Procedure before they can receive credit for additional MCL classes.

Second-year MCL candidates should inform the program director of their intent to participate during the 2017 semester as early in 2017 as possible.

MCL candidates who have completed their first semester in residence in Birmingham may attend both June and July classes in 2017 or, if the student’s circumstances require, only the Birmingham or Cambridge portion of the program. Participation during both June and July is recommended for both entering and second-year students during each year of participation if the student’s circumstances allow.

III. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

A. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Samford University complies with applicable laws prohibiting discrimination, including applicable provisions of and amendments to Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, Executive Order 11246, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973,
the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, genetic information, or veteran status in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or services.

Inquiries and concerns regarding this policy may be directed to the executive vice president for business affairs or general counsel, Office of Business and Financial Affairs, 200 Samford Hall, Birmingham, AL 35229, 205-726-2811.

Applicants to the Master of Comparative Law Program must present an official transcript, translated if necessary into the English language (official translation is not required), evidencing that they have graduated from an accredited law school in their country of origin or country in which they attended law school, a copy of their law degree, proof satisfactory to the director of the MCL program that they have sufficient proficiency in the English language to successfully complete the MCL curriculum, and an affidavit (form will be supplied by the University) or other writing deemed satisfactory by the University, which documents available adequate financial support while in residence at the University and University sponsored study-abroad programs. The director of the MCL program will evaluate the applicant’s transcript, English proficiency, and capacity for comparative-law study on an individual basis. The TOEFL language proficiency test may be required at the discretion of the program director.

**B. MATERIALS FOR COURSE OF STUDY**

Information concerning casebook materials for courses offered will be available in sufficient time to allow some preparation by students prior to the summer semester. Individual students who wish to have course materials for early preparation should request the necessary information from the program director.

**C. CLASS SCHEDULES**

Class schedules for MCL students will be determined for students participating in Birmingham on May 31, 2017 during the registration process. Classes are held at the Birmingham campus generally Monday through Friday. Each MCL student should consult with the program director, in advance of commencing classes each semester, concerning courses to be taken during both the Birmingham and Cambridge portions of the 2017 Program. A schedule of events for the Cambridge program will be found at the end of these materials.
IV. FACULTY AND COURSES TO BE OFFERED ON THE SAMFORD UNIVERSITY CAMPUS DURING MAY 31-JUNE 29, 2017

Professor Brian Noble will offer a two-credit-hour Legal Research and Writing for International Scholars course especially designed for international jurists, lawyers, and scholars. The course is required of all MCL students in their first summer of study. It will cover the fundamental principles of legal analysis and legal style, as well as research methodology in the U.S. legal system. Students are required to write a legal memorandum as well as examine stylistic implications of written opinions and legal documents in the U.S. legal culture.

Professor Herman N. (Rusty) Johnson, Jr. and Desembargadora Cristina Zucchi will offer a one-hour course in Comparative Civil and Criminal Procedure. This course will provide an overview of court structure and procedure in U.S. civil and criminal courts, with comparison to corresponding practices in Brazil. This course is required of all MCL students in their first summer of study.

Professor Herman N. (Rusty) Johnson, Jr. and Desembargadora Cristina Zucchi will offer a course on Comparative Constitutional Law that will be mandatory for MCL students in their first summer of study. This course will develop a comparative analysis of constitutional structure and interpretive issues, with a primary, but not exclusive, focus upon the United States Constitution and the Brazilian, civil law-based legal system and methods. The course will analyze different approaches to the protection of rights, precedent, judicial review, constitutional structure, and constitutional interpretation, among other issues. The participants in the course will obtain a better understanding of constitutional systems, a better understanding of their own nation’s constitutional system, and an identification, if possible, of preferable practices and doctrines in constitutionalism.

Second-year MCL students will participate in a three-hour Advanced Research and Writing Seminar led by the program director. This seminar is designed to be a resource for students as they research and write on the thesis topic that they select in consultation with the program director.

Students have the opportunity to select additional courses, in consultation with the program director, to complete the required number of credit hours.

V. CAMBRIDGE STUDY-ABROAD PROGRAM
   JULY 2 – AUGUST 3, 2017

A. KEY DATES IN THE CAMBRIDGE PROGRAM
Arriving students and faculty will attend a reception on the evening of July 2, 2017, at 6:30 P.M. The reception will include an orientation for students and faculty concerning our residential college and the Cambridge area. Classes will be conducted Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday of the first week of the program for the one-hour course treating the English Legal System and the European Union. The examination for this course will be conducted on Friday afternoon, July 7. Students are encouraged to visit the Municipal Court in Cambridge on one of these afternoons. The first week of classes is planned to accommodate a full-day field trip on Wednesday, July 5 to London to visit the Royal Courts of Justice, Middle Temple Inn of Court and Parliament. The program will provide bus transportation to and from London for our visit.

During the second and third week of classes there will be no classes on Friday, July 14 and Friday, July 21, to provide three-day weekends for travel or study. The last day of classes will occur on July 31 and final examinations will be conducted on August 1 and 2 for the elective courses. Students, other than those who make individual arrangements with the program director, should plan to arrive at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, on Sunday, July 2 and depart prior to 9:30 A.M. on Thursday, August 3. The program cannot furnish lodging before our scheduled arrival date or following our scheduled departure date. A closing dinner will be offered for students and faculty on Monday evening, July 31, which all students are expected to attend. A summary calendar of events and class schedule is at the end of this brochure.

Students may anticipate examinations for each course to be comparable to law exams administered in American Bar Association approved law schools in the United States, though exam answers are handwritten. The professor responsible for each course will both write and grade the applicable examination. The 2017 Cambridge program will be limited to a maximum of 25 students if additional lodging cannot be arranged. Early registration is encouraged.

**B. 2017 CAMBRIDGE FACULTY AND COURSES**

New MCL students attending the Cambridge Study-Abroad Program will select two of the two-hour courses below for four credit hours of the maximum allowable five hours. The fifth hour available is Barrister Jenkala’s one-hour course during the first week of the program. Course selection will occur in consultation with the program director. Travel from Birmingham to Cambridge can occur after exams are completed on July 1, and arrival in Cambridge should be planned for July 2, 2017. Students who have previously attended Barrister Jenkala’s one-hour course and wish to travel during the first week must notify the program director for approval.

**The English Legal System and the European Union:**
**A Comparative Overview**
*(1 hour), Adjunct Professor Adrian Jenkala, Barrister*
This course explores the English Legal System, the role of the judiciary, and the current interface of the English system with the European Union. The course offers students a unique opportunity to understand the practical and academic aspects of the emerging constitutional basis for the European Union and its effects on the English system of justice. This course serves as an introductory orientation to the legal environment of the UK, and its relationship to the European Union, in order to provide perspective for the other comparative and international courses that will comprise the remainder of their time in Cambridge.

**Law of the European Union**
*(2 hours), Adjunct Professor Adrian Jenkala, Barrister*

This course is designed to further students’ understanding of the European Union (EU) and its legal system. Topics include a review of the essential history and institutions; comparisons to other similar organizations (NAFTA, MERCOSUR, the African Union, ASEAN, and the WTO); the relationship between the law of the European Community and the law of its member states; the four freedoms; and significant substantive initiatives including the Lisbon Treaty. Following the UK Brexit referendum the course examines the effect of the change in the political balance in Europe. Students gain familiarity with the European Union (EU), its institutions, its legal and administrative structure, and its relationships with its member states. Students learn the overarching principles that govern EU law and develop facility in interpreting and understanding EU pronouncements.

**Adjunct Professor Adrian Jenkala, Barrister**, is a graduate of London University (B.S. and B. of Laws), University of Westminster (Diploma in Law), Inns of Court School of Law (Bar Finals) and a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He has more than twenty years experience as Barrister with advocacy rights in all of the courts of England and the European Court of Justice. He has taught for several years in our Cambridge and Durham programs, and his involvement in our U.K. efforts is very valuable.

**International Banking Law**
*(2 hours), Professor Michael Floyd, Cumberland*

The risks and consequences of financial institution failure have been worrisome for centuries, in varying degrees. These concerns have been particularly acute since 2008 because of the increasingly complex interconnections among banks and related financial institutions, the worldwide scope of many of these entities, and the concern that some have become “too big to fail.” This course explores the regulatory framework for banks within and across national borders. Following an overview of the role of financial intermediaries in national and international commerce, the course will explore various topics including national and international supervision of banking, capital adequacy and lending issues, and privacy/secrecy requirements. Students will gain an understanding of the importance and nature and various approaches to bank regulation, and will gain experience and facility in interpreting and applying various statutory and regulatory codifications of these regimes.
Professor Michael Floyd is a graduate of Princeton University (A.B., magna cum laude, economics) New York University (M.S., with distinction, accounting), Emory University School of Law (J.D., with distinction, Robert W. Woodruff Fellow, Order of the Coif). A Certified Public Accountant and former banking executive, he served as a Judicial Clerk for Judge James C. Hill, United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, 1987-1988 before entering the private practice of law with Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan, Atlanta, Ga., 1988-1991. He joined the Cumberland School of Law faculty in 1991.

Resolving Disputes Across Cultures
(2 hours), Professor Nancy Schultz, Chapman University School of Law
Discussion of negotiation and mediation strategies and techniques, with emphasis on sensitivity to working with people from other cultures and backgrounds. Topics will include negotiation courtesies, expectations as to directness of communication, the importance of relationships, and ethical issues. Students will practice communication, negotiation, and mediation skills, and they will learn how negotiation and mediation relate to litigation and the legal context. Students will develop the ability to employ basic negotiation and mediation techniques and to recognize and address cultural styles and differences in communication techniques. Student will learn and apply strategies for use in different phases and approaches to negotiation and mediation.

Professor Nancy Schultz is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin (B.A.), and the University of Pennsylvania (J.D.). After private practice at Ballard, Spahr, Andrews, & Ingersoll, and Schnader, Harrison, Segal, & Lewis in Philadelphia, she taught at Villanova University Law School and the George Washington University Law School before joining the faculty of Chapman University School of Law. She coaches interscholastic teams in mock trial, moot court, client counseling, mediation, negotiation, arbitration, and other additional disciplines. She also chairs the International Law School Mediation tournament as well as serving on the International Negotiation Competition Executive Committee and the International Client Counseling Competition Committee.

Global Issues in Education, Equality, and Human Rights Law
(2 hours), Professor Lisa Lukasik, Chapman University of Law
Education was formally recognized as a human right in 1948 with the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Education as a human right has remained high on the agenda of the international community and has been reaffirmed in numerous global human rights treaties, including for example the UNESCO Convention against Discrimination in Education, the Convention on the Rights of the Child, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, and the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. In this course, students will develop an understanding of the international law on human rights; compare the manner in which different nations use distinct legislative, administrative, or other measures to secure those rights in compliance (or not) with international law; and analyze and critique the effectiveness of select nations’
chosen measures to secure human rights, focusing on access to education and promotion of equality.

**Professor Lisa Lukasik** is a nationally-recognized authority in education law and policy, with experience as a public school teacher in the United States and Europe and as a lawyer on behalf of American public schools. She now serves as an Associate Professor of Law at Campbell University School of Law where she teaches a variety of courses in civil rights litigation, public school law, special education law, and torts. Professor Lukasik is an honors graduate of both Washington University in St. Louis, where she graduated as a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and the University of North Carolina School of Law, where she graduated as a member of the Order of the Coif.

VI. FINANCIAL INFORMATION – 2017

MCL students must complete their first summer in Residence in Birmingham before becoming eligible to travel to Cambridge. MCL candidates electing to attend only one month of the 2017 program will find it necessary to attend classes in more than two summers to complete credit requirements.

**Total estimated cost of program participation for the 2017 summer MCL program in Birmingham is approximately $11,256.**

The total estimated cost for the 2017 summer MCL program in Cambridge is approximately $12,876.

Please note that this estimated cost includes many flexible expenses and actual cost may vary. MCL candidates are responsible for arranging their own air travel.

*Details of the cost elements appear on the following pages.*

A limited number of scholarships are available toward tuition in the first summer of participation in the MCL program. All other expenses are the responsibility of the student. Tuition for the second summer is payable in installments, but all payments must be completed for each term before commencing classes in that term. Payment arrangements must be made with the program director and the Samford University Bursar in advance of attendance.

**A. TUITION per summer semester**

(Both Birmingham and Cambridge): $5,462

Birmingham OR Cambridge only: $2,731
B. ACCOMMODATIONS FOR BIRMINGHAM

Housing estimate:  May 29 – July 2:  $73- $93 per night plus taxes, Residence Inn and Suites, Homewood)

This is the approximate cost of a furnished residence hotel suite, including electricity, water, cable TV, adequate furnishings, including linens and towels, and kitchen appliances, located convenient to Samford University. Local telephone services are furnished (does not include long distance). This cost may vary, more or less, depending upon location and availability. The MCL Program Director will make the necessary arrangements for lodging.

A studio/one bedroom suite is $73.00 +18% tax per night ($86.14 a night)
A two-bedroom suite is $93 +18% tax per night ($109.74 a night)
A **30 night minimum stay** is required to receive these discounted rates.

C. ACCOMMODATIONS AND MEALS FOR CAMBRIDGE

Administration, Housing and Meals – ($4,600 to include lunch on class days, $4,300 without lunch)

Students will be housed in Sidney Sussex College. Double rooms are not available to students. Students must stay in a single room at Sidney Sussex. Visiting family members will need to make a hotel reservation. Breakfast (and lunch, if elected and prepaid) are included in the housing and meal allowance for registered students each class day of the program. Breakfast will be provided each weekend.

Lodging will be provided beginning July 2 and departure from Sidney Sussex College must occur prior to 9:30 A.M. on August 3. Evening meals may be purchased in one of the many local restaurants convenient to the lodging. The evening meal will not, other than the closing dinner on Monday, July 31, be provided by the study-abroad program.

D. ESTIMATED PROGRAM EXPENSES

The following pages include details of typical expenses you may encounter throughout your summer in the program. Flexible expenses and transportation expense estimates are only estimated costs. Your costs may differ depending on your needs, personal preferences, and travel expenses.
i. BIRMINGHAM AND CAMBRIDGE ESTIMATED BUDGET
### Birmingham & Cambridge - 2017

#### Fixed Program Costs
- Tuition (June & July): $5,462
- Application Fee (1st year only): $100
- International Student Fee: $25
- Estimated Hotel Cost (Bham)**: $3,100
- Cambridge Housing: $4,300

Total: $12,987

#### Necessary Expenses* 
- Birmingham Insurance: $300 (student must obtain)
- Cambridge Insurance: $70 (through CISI)
- Books: $900
- Incidental Expenses: $400

Total: $1,670

#### Flexible Expenses*
- Food Bham: $1,200
- Food Cambridge: $1,450
- Optional Lunch Plan Cambridge: $300 (cost to remain similar or higher if student provides lunches)
- Entertainment: $600
- Laundry/Dry Cleaning: $300
- Misc. England Expenses: $700

Total: $4,550

#### Transportation Expense Estimates*
- Round-Trip airfare home-BHM: $1,500
- Round-Trip airfare BHM-London: $1,600
- Transportation/Car Rental in Bham: $1,300
- Ground Transportation in England: $500

Total: $4,900

Grand Total: $24,107

*Necessary Expense, Flexible Expense and Transportation Expense Estimates are only estimated costs. Your costs may differ depending on your needs and travel expenses.

** Residence Inn Room rate varies from $86.14 per night for a one bedroom to $109.74 for a two bedroom unit per night

$86.14 x 32 nights = $2756.48  
$109.74 x 32 nights = $3511.68

### ii. BIRMINGHAM ESTIMATED BUDGET
# Birmingham Only - 2017

## Fixed Program Costs

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<td>Estimated Hotel Costs**</td>
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## Necessary Expenses*

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Total: $1,550

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Total: $2,800

Grand Total: $11,256

*Necessary Expense, Flexible Expense and Transportation Expense Estimates are only estimated costs. Your costs may differ depending on your needs and travel expenses.

** Residence Inn Room rate varies from $86.14 per night for a one bedroom to $109.74 for a two bedroom unit per night. $86.14 x 32 nights = $2756.48  $109.74 x 32 nights = $3511.68

### iii. CAMBRIDGE ESTIMATED BUDGET
**Cambridge Only - 2017**

**Fixed Program Costs**
- Tuition: $2,731
- International Student Fee: $25
- Housing Costs: $4,300
  - Total: $7,056

**Necessary Expenses***
- Insurance: $70 (through CISI)
- Books: $450
- Incidental Expenses: $200
  - Total: $720

**Flexible Expenses***
- Food: $1,450

  Optional Lunch Plan: $300 (cost to remain similar or higher if student provides lunches)
  - Entertainment: $400
  - Laundry/Dry Cleaning: $150
  - Misc. Expenses: $700
  - Total: $3,000

**Transportation Expense Estimates***
- Round Trip Airfare home-London: $1,600
- Transporation: $500
  - Total: $2,100

**Grand Total:** $12,876

*Necessary Expense, Flexible Expense and Transportation Expense Estimates are only estimated costs. Your costs may differ depending on your needs and travel expenses.

**E. TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL**
Students participating in the Master of Comparative Law program will be responsible for transportation to and from their home country to Birmingham, Alabama, U.S.A., and from Birmingham to Cambridge, England, with return to their place of residence in the student's home country. Airlines provide a variety of reduced fare plans and early booking can create substantial savings. Summer flights to the United States and England are quickly filled; hence travel arrangements should be made early.

Each student participating in the program will be responsible for arranging transportation to and from England. Airlines provide a variety of reduced fare plans and early booking can create substantial savings. Summer flights to Europe are filled quickly; hence early travel arrangements should be made. Flights from the United States to London typically arrive at either Heathrow Airport or Gatwick Airport. Refer to the following websites for information relating to the two airports and information concerning travel from the airports into London.

- www.heathrowairport.com or www.heathrow.co.uk
- www.heathrowexpress.com
- www.gatwickairport.com or www.gatwick-airport-guide.co.uk
- www.gatwickexpress.com

Students should pay careful attention to their air carriers’ baggage allowances. Some airports also impose stricter carry-on luggage limitations than the airlines. Exceeding these limits can impose substantial extra charges.

Information concerning the London subway system may be obtained from tfl.gov.uk/tube.

Cambridge is about 55 miles north of London. One can take the train to Cambridge from either London’s Kings Cross Station or Liverpool Station. The express train ride typically takes 50 minutes from King’s Cross and 80 minutes from Liverpool Street. It currently costs approximately 15-25 pounds. Trains generally depart about every 30 minutes from Kings Cross and 20 minutes from Liverpool Street.

The websites for train information are:

- www.nationalrail.co.uk
- www.britrail.com
- www.raileurope.com

BritRail passes may be a convenient, less expensive way to travel in England. Students should obtain a BritRail pass online well in advance of departing the U.S. The reduced rate BritRail pass will not be available in the U.K.

The Cambridge Train Station is south of the city center, slightly more than one mile from Sidney Sussex College. The walk to the city center takes about 25 minutes. There are taxi stands at the train station and a bus leaves for the city center every 15 minutes or so. Our
residential college, Sidney Sussex College, is conveniently located in the city center. Further information concerning Sidney Sussex College may be found at www.sid.cam.ac.uk

A coach (bus) to Cambridge is also available from London’s Victoria Coach Station, Gatwick airport, and Heathrow airport with coaches departing every 1-2 hours or so. If you decide to take the coach from London to Cambridge, be sure to check the schedule carefully. Schedules, trip duration, and fares can vary widely at different times of day. Refer to the website www.nationalexpress.com for coach schedules and fares. The Cambridge Bus Station is centrally located in Cambridge, approximately 6/10 of a mile from Sidney Sussex College. The stop for coaches to and from Gatwick and Heathrow is at the edge of Parker’s Piece in central Cambridge, two blocks from the Cambridge Bus Station.

Stansted Airport (STN) is located 25 miles from Cambridge. This airport is great for travel throughout the UK and Ireland as well as continental Europe. Refer to the website www.stanstedairport.com for additional information about the airport and flights that are available. For information concerning the Stansted Express Train, see www.stanstedexpress.com.

Refer to the following websites for tourist and travel information about Cambridge.

www.visitcambridge.org
www.cam.ac.uk
www.cambridge.gov.uk

Detailed arrival information can also be found in the Cambridge viewbook: http://www.samford.edu/cumberlandlaw/study-abroad

**F. MEDICAL INSURANCE**

Each MCL candidate must have satisfactory medical insurance for the summer semester. Students in Birmingham, must purchase their own insurance and must have it reviewed to ensure that it meets Samford’s insurance requirements. If it does not, you must purchase Samford’s policy (price to be determined). A waiver period will be conducted for students that wish to provide their own insurance. CISI offers insurance that meets Samford’s requirements. More information can be found here: http://www.culturalinsurance.com/

Samford University has a partnership with Cultural Insurance Services International (CISI) to offer healthcare to students that are studying in Cambridge. The plan provides medical insurance benefits for international students. The cost for service is $35 a month and is only available for the Cambridge program.

**G. REGISTRATION FEES FOR THE MCL PROGRAM**
A one-time application fee of $100 is required to be submitted with the application. The application fee is nonrefundable unless denial of the application occurs due to full enrollment in the program. The application fee is included in the total estimated cost of the 2017 summer program enumerated above. Application fees are payable only for the first summer of residency.

H. REFUND POLICY

For the Birmingham portion of the program: Refunds of tuition for withdrawal or suspension will be calculated in accordance with the Samford University refund policy for U.S. students.

For the Cambridge portion of the program: Registered students who withdraw on or before May 12, 2017 will receive a refund except for the non-refundable application fee. Students withdrawing after May 12, 2017, and on or before May 26, 2017, will receive a 50% refund of Housing and Administration fees except for the application fee. Students withdrawing after May 26, 2017 will receive no refunds of Housing and Administration fees nor application fees, except in case of bona fide emergency circumstances. Tuition will be refunded based on the guidelines on Samford’s Financial Services Website. [http://www.samford.edu/departments/financial-services#financial-policies](http://www.samford.edu/departments/financial-services#financial-policies)

VII. PASSPORTS AND VISAS

Passports and visas are required for entry into the U.S. and England. Participating students should obtain their passports at their earliest convenience.

Any required passports and visas for international travel are the responsibility of the individual MCL student. Early application is recommended. The program director is available for consultation at students’ request. Each student must obtain appropriate visas for the duration of the program, including travel through the U.S. after completing the Cambridge program. Students who intend on bringing dependents must consult with their Embassy or Consulate to obtain the appropriate visa for them.

VIII. RESPONSIBILITY AND MODIFICATIONS
The sponsoring law schools will not be responsible for personal injury, medical expenses, loss or damage to personal property, or changes in immigration requirements. Students must have medical insurance coverage which applies to foreign travel covering sickness and accidental injury, medical evacuation and repatriation. Proof of the requisite insurance must be submitted to the program director prior to May 8, 2017. If deemed desirable, students may also wish to purchase insurance covering loss or damage to personal property and trip cancellation. Students are expected to turn in all registration forms well before arriving in Cambridge. A fee of $100 will be charged to the student’s account if registration materials are not turned in by June 1, $200 if not completed by June 15, and $500 if not all completed by June 30. Any student who fails to complete all required registration materials and forms by July 1 is subject to dismissal from the program without refund of fees. The sponsoring schools reserve the right to change any aspect of the program which circumstances make necessary or desirable. Participants will be notified promptly of material changes or cancellation of the program.

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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION  
CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW  
MASTER OF COMPARATIVE LAW  
GRADUATE PROGRAM

Last Name ______________________First_________________ Middle____________ Suffix ________

Professional Title ____________________________ Preferred Name ________________________________

Student ID Number _______________ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)________________________

□ Male □ Female

City of Birth_________________ State of Birth___________ Country of Birth_____________________

Country of Citizenship _______________________

Visa Type _____________________________ Exp Date _____________________________

OPTIONAL: Are you Hispanic? Yes _____ No _____ If not, what is your ethnic group?
(Up to three entries are allowed)

___Asian __ Black/African American

___American Indian/Alaska Native ___ White/Caucasian

___Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander ___ Other

Please check your intended place of study: Do you plan to rent a car in Birmingham?

___Birmingham only __ Yes

___Cambridge only __ No

___Birmingham and Cambridge

Permanent Mailing Address ________________________________________________________________

___________________________________________________________________________________

City ______________________ State ______________ Zip or Postal Code ____________ Country ______

Home Telephone __________________________ Fax Number ____________________________

Cell Telephone______________________________

E-mail Address__________________________________________

Emergency Contact ____________________________________________

Address of Contact ____________________________________________

___________________________________________________________________________________

City ______________________ State ______________ Zip or Postal Code ____________ Country ______

Please attach a recent photograph.
Telephone(s) for contact ________________________________________________________________

Relationship _________________________________________________________________

To whom should statements of your tuition, fees, etc. be sent?

Name ________________________________________________________________

Address _______________________________________________________________ 

City __________________________ State _______ Zip or Postal Code ________________________ Country 

If you are a resident of a non-English speaking country, have you taken the Test of English as a Foreign Language [TOEFL]? □ Yes □ No

If so, when? ______________________ If not, when do you plan to take it? ______________________

List (in order of attendance) all colleges, universities and professional schools that you have attended.

Name of institution ________________________________________________________________

Major __________________________ Minor __________________________

Dates of attendance __________________________ Class rank __________________________

Degree and date awarded ____________________________________________________________

Name of institution ________________________________________________________________

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Degree and date awarded ____________________________________________________________

If you are not presently attending an educational institution, what is your current position?

__________________________________________________________________________________

List scholastic, honorary or professional societies of which you are or have been a member.

__________________________________________________________________________________

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__________________________________________________________________________________
List any significant academic accomplishments, honors, etc. __________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________________
List any volunteer social service work in which you are or have been involved and the amount of time devoted to it.
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__________________________________________________________________________________________
List other extracurricular activities. ___________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________________
If you are not currently attending an educational institution, describe the positions that you have held since your last attendance, indicating the length of your employment in each position. Use additional pages if necessary.
__________________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________________
If the answer to any of the following questions is “yes,” you must submit with this application a full explanation of circumstances for each question so answered.

   a. Were you ever requested to withdraw from any school, college or university? □ Yes □ No
   b. Have you ever been suspended, dismissed, expelled or placed on probation for scholastic, disciplinary or other reasons by any school, college or university? □ Yes □ No
   c. Were you ever discharged or dismissed from the armed forces with other than an honorable discharge? □ Yes □ No
   d. Have you ever been convicted of a crime? □ Yes □ No

I hereby certify that the information I have provided on this application form and in any attached materials is true and complete.

Signature __________________________________________ Date __________________________

Application Checklist:
□ $100 application fee
□ Authenticated copy of previous law school record (transcript)
□ Copy of law degree
□ TOEFL results (if from non-English speaking country)

We will be unable to act upon your application until all required materials have been submitted. The deadline for submitting your application is March 16, 2015. The program director may, at his discretion, decline to review an application not complete by March 16. Earlier applications are encouraged.

All completed applications should be express mailed to:
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Questions? Contact Professor Floyd, 205-726-2304, fax 205-726-2334 or e-mail: mdfloyd@samfo

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