

Making waves in shipping and trade for over 20 years

### Swansea University - Specialised LLM Programmes:

- LLM in International Maritime Law
- LLM in International Trade Law
- LLM in International Commercial Law
- LLM in International Commercial and Maritime Law
- LLM in Oil, Gas and Renewable Energy Law
- LLM in Intellectual Property and Innovation
- LLM in LegalTech and Commercial Law

### A Cutting-Edge Research Centre:

The Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law









### Welcome

I am delighted that you are considering a postgraduate degree in law with us at Swansea. Our School of Law has established itself as one of the top schools in the United Kingdom and the World (ranked 67th in the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings, 2023); sound yet innovative, intellectually demanding yet a highly enjoyable and rewarding place to study.

The LLM programmes that I am responsible for (the LLM in International Maritime Law, LLM in International Trade Law, LLM in International Commercial and Maritime Law, LLM in Oil, Gas and Renewable Energy Law, LLM in Intellectual Property and Innovation, and LLM in LegalTech and Commercial Law) are delivered by an impressive team who are leading the way in their academic fields. Our teachers are popular and approachable, and they all maintain a position at the cutting-edge of scholarship in their respective interests; those studying here are likely to find themselves reading books and articles written by the very same lecturers who are teaching them.



Many have expertise in the legal field as well, meaning our teaching is always informed by contemporary legal and market practice; a factor that makes our graduates very attractive to international law firms, banks, tech-heavy corporations, insurance companies, and a whole host of employers in the shipping and energy sector (we have also won a few student-driven teaching awards, so we know what it takes to ensure our students have the best learning experience possible).

In order to enhance the employability prospects of our students, we organise trips to law firms, insurers and P&I clubs, as well as offering specialised employability advice. We have arrangements with leading bodies and prestigious organisations (such as the UN World Food Programme, BIMCO and top maritime law firms such as Ince & Co., HFW and Kennedys) who offer prizes and internship opportunities to our students.

The driving force behind these programmes is the Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law (IISTL), which is a university-recognised research centre. The IISTL enjoys a global reputation and forges academic and professional connections with institutions everywhere, including universities, research institutes, law firms and international organisations. These connections yield substantial benefits to our students, especially in terms of securing internships and job opportunities.

In short, we offer you a postgraduate study opportunity at Swansea which is practical and highly attractive internationally, both in the legal profession and within the industry. Our graduates are spread over all four corners of the world. Our standards are high and we only admit the best; but I strongly hope you will choose to invest in your future by applying to join our international academic community.

**Professor B. Soyer**Director of Shipping and Trade Law

## Shipping and Trade Postgraduate Degrees at Swansea University

We offer a wide range of LLM degrees, allowing postgraduate students to specialise in Maritime, Trade, Commercial, Oil, Gas and Renewable Energy, Intellectual Property, and LegalTech:

- LLM in International Maritime Law
- LLM in International Trade Law
- LLM in International Commercial Law
- LLM in International Commercial and Maritime Law
- LLM in Oil, Gas and Renewable Energy Law
- LLM in Intellectual Property and Innovation
- LLM in LegalTech and Commercial Law

Our programmes are taught in a professional but friendly environment which attracts students from the Far East, Middle East, Asia, South East Asia, Africa, America and Europe. Students also have the opportunity to take part in extracurricular activities, such as mooting and summer schools abroad.

Members of the IISTL are at the forefront of scholarship in their areas. Their skilled and innovative teaching bridges the gap between academia and practice. We enjoy close links with the legal practice, and various elements of the shipping and business sectors, and organise employability initiatives such as talks, guest lectures, an annual LLM careers fair, networking events, and visits to leading enterprises within the City of London.

Most recently, the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) has awarded the School Recognised Course Provider (RCP) status, and IISTL's LLMs have been recognised as some of the best in the country; being consistently ranked as top 10 for Maritime/Admiralty Law since 2019, and with our LLM in LegalTech and Commercial Law also ranked as one of the top LLM programmes (LLM Guide, 2022).









Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

CIArb

# **LLM Programmes**

Shipping and Trade Modules by LLM Programme.  For all of the Shipping and Trade programmes, a total of four modules must be taken. This table shows which modules are available to your LLM, and what further restrictions or rules about choosing your optional modules must be adhered to.	LACM03 E-Commerce and Regulation of Electronic Transactions	LACM10 Carriage of Goods by Sea, Land and Air	LACM14 International Intellectual Property Law	LACM17 International Commercial Arbitration	LACM 19 IP in Creative Industries	LACM20 International Corporate Law and Governance	LACM21 Ship and Other Mobile Assets Finance Law	LAGM06 International Regulation of Shipping	LA-M01 International Trade Law	LAMM01 Admiralty Law	LAMM02 Charterparties: Law and Practice	LAMM03 The Law of Marine Insurance	LAMM20 Oil and Gas Law: Contracts and Liabilities	LAMM30 International Energy Law	LATM01 Artificial Intelligence in Commerce and Legal Practice	LATM02 Distributed Ledger Technology (Blockchain) and Commerce - Law and Regulation
LLM in International Maritime Law Select 4 from modules marked X. At least 2 must have an asterisk	Х	X*		Χ			Х	X*	Х	Х*	Χ*	X*	X*		Χ	
LLM in International Trade Law Select 4 from modules marked X. At least 2 must have an asterisk	Х			Χ					Х*		Х*	Х			Х	Х
LLM in International Commercial Law Select 4 from modules marked X. At least 2 must have an asterisk	X*		X*	Х	X*	Х*	X*								Х	Х
LLM in International Commercial and Maritime Law Select 4 from modules marked X. At least 1 X~ and 1 X*	X~	Х*	X~	Χ	X~	X~	X~	X*	X~	Х*	Χ*	Х*	X*		X~	Х
LLM in Oil, Gas and Renewable Energy Law Select 2 from modules marked X. Compulsory modules marked C				Χ	Χ			Х	Χ		Χ	Χ	С	С	Χ	
LLM in Intellectual Property and Innovation Select 3 from modules marked X. Compulsory module marked C	Х		Х	Х	С	Χ	Х								Χ	Х
LLM in LegalTech and Commercial Law Select 2 from modules marked X. Compulsory modules marked C	Х		Х	Х	Х										С	С



Professor Barış Soyer BA (Ankara), LLM, PhD (Soton), Director of Shipping and Trade LLM Programmes

With more than twenty years of teaching experience, both in the university classroom and within the maritime industry, Professor

Soyer is the Director of the Shipping and Trade LLM Programmes at the School of Law, Swansea University.

He has written extensively on marine insurance, and other aspects of commercial and maritime law, and has garnered several industry awards for his books on the subject. His teaching focuses on maritime-based modules, including Law of Marine Insurance and Charterparties: Law and Practice.



Professor Simon Baughen MA (Oxon)

Professor Baughen is the author of the well-known text "Shipping Law", now in its sixth edition, and is now the author of "Summerskill on Laytime" which is also in its sixth edition. He was previously a Reader at the University of Bristol Law School and also

worked as a practising shipping lawyer; first in London P&I Club and then as a solicitor with Horrocks & Co.

He is an expert in carriage of goods by sea and has substantial knowledge on charterparties, both of which are subjects he teaches on our Shipping and Trade LLMs. He also teaches on our Corporate Law and Governance module, and is the author of "Human Rights and Corporate Wrongs: Closing the Governance Gap."



Dr Tabetha Kurtz-Shefford MA in Law (Bristol), LLM, PhD (Swansea), Deputy Director of Shipping and Trade LLM Programmes

Dr Kurtz-Shefford, Deputy Director of the Shipping and Trade LLM Programmes at the School of law, was appointed in 2013.

She is a graduate of Bristol University, and also holds two master's degrees and a PhD from Swansea University. She teaches on the International Trade Law and Offshore Energy Law modules. She is also the Director of the International Commercial Mooting module, which has seen students perform twice in front of the Supreme Court.



Dr Zoumpoulia Amaxilati BCL (Thessaloniki) LLM, PhD (Soton), Attorney at Law (Kavala)

Dr Amaxilati joined Swansea in 2019. She specialises in admiralty law, maritime labour law and personal injury claims.

Prior to joining the Institute, Dr Amaxilati worked as a Lecturer in Private Law at Queen Mary University of London. She was also a Tutor in Law at the University of Southampton where she taught Admiralty Law at LLM level. Dr Amaxilati is a qualified lawyer in Greece.



Dr Lowri Davies LLB, LLM, PhD (Swansea)

Dr Lowri Davies is a Lecturer in Law at Swansea University. She holds an LLM in International Business Law and a PhD from Swansea University. Her research interests extend broadly through intellectual property law and human rights, with particular

interest in access to medicines. She has presented papers in the field of intellectual property law at several conferences, and has published work in academic journals.

Prior to her master's studies she worked in legal practice in the UK for several years. Lowri's teaching experience extends to the undergraduate and postgraduate levels including Land Law, Equity and Trusts and Intellectual Property Law. She currently teaches International Intellectual Property Law on the LLM programme. She is a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy and also a Member of the Society of Legal Scholars and the Socio-Legal Studies Association.



Paul Dean HFW, Global Head of Shipping

Paul is the Global Head of Shipping at HFW. He regularly speaks at, and chairs, offshore vessel conferences, and has been teaching on the BIMCO panel for their "Using SUPPLYTIME" course for over 10 years. He is also on the review committee

for the SUPPLYTIME 2005 revision, and on the drafting committee for BIMCO's new standard form Offshore Dismantling Services Agreement DISMANTLECON. Paul is recognised in the Legal Directories as one of the leading individuals in his field; with Lloyd's List naming him as one of the 100 most influential people in the maritime industry.

Paul has also contributed to the two most recent editions of "The Law of Tug and Tow and Offshore Contracts" edited by Simon Rainey KC and Lord Clarke.



Dr Oğulcan Ekiz BA (Bahcesehir), LLM, PhD (QMU)

Oğulcan is a lawyer from Turkey. He graduated with distinction from Queen Mary's Intellectual Property Law LLM Program where he was awarded a Queen Mary Research Studentship (2019-22),

and was previously the recipient of the BLACA/Stationers Bursary Award (2017). He completed his PhD in 2023 on the (Impossible) Journey of Photography: How Copyright Affects the Meaning-Making in the Process of Circulation.

His research focuses on copyright law's impact on the recontextualisation of photography, on which he has already published several journal articles. Oğulcan also publishes and exhibits his works of photography and photo-collages.



Dr Andrew Iwobi LLB (Jos), B.L (Nigerian Law School), PhD (Birmingham)

Having taught in one of the best law schools in Nigeria, Dr Iwobi has been with the School of Law at Swansea University since 2004.

His main specialisms lie in the field of finance and property law, but his research interests also extend to trust law, the law of succession and land law. He currently teaches on our Mobile and Other Assets Finance Law, E-Commerce, and Oil and Gas Law: Contracts and liabilities modules



Monica Kohli Senior Lawyer, Gard. President, WISTA UK

Monica Kohli is a senior solicitor specialising in maritime law. She is dual qualified in India and in England & Wales and has been practising shipping and trade law for the past two decades; as a barrister

in India, and as a solicitor in the UK. For the last 13 years she has been a senior lawyer in Gard, the largest of the Protection and Indemnity Clubs, advising ship owners, charterers and traders on legal issues pertaining to shipping and trade worldwide.

She is currently President of the "Women in Shipping and Trade Association" (WISTA UK) and the Chair of the Indian Maritime Association UK (IMA UK). She is also a Maritime Skills Commissioner, and a trustee on the board for organisations, focusing on education and environmental law.



Professor George Leloudas BCL (Athens), LLM (Bristol, McGill), PhD (Cantab), Solicitor of the Supreme Court England & Wales (Non-Practising), Attorney at Law (Athens, Greece), Employability Director for Shipping and Trade LLM Programmes

Professor Leloudas joined the School of Law after working as a solicitor at Gates and Partners in London where he advised on aerospace liability and airlines' regulatory matters. He holds two master's (Bristol and McGill) and a PhD from Cambridge University.

He is an avid researcher in air law, and teaches on our Carriage of Goods by Sea, Land and Air, International Commercial Arbitration, and Marine Insurance modules. Professor Leloudas is also Co-Director of our Employability Skills in the Commercial and Maritime Industry module.



Peter Macdonald-Eggers KC LLB (Syd), LLM (Cantab), Visiting Fellow

Peter Macdonald-Eggers KC is a barrister, practising at 7 King's Bench Walk. He specialises in all aspects of commercial law, with a particular focus on insurance and reinsurance, shipping and transport, energy,

commodities and international trade, financial services, professional negligence, and international investment projects. He regularly appears before the Commercial Court and the Court of Appeal, and in commercial and international arbitrations.

Peter has also appeared before Courts in other jurisdictions in numerous high-profile cases. He is co-author of Good Faith and Insurance Contracts, 2nd edn (LLP, 2004) and Deceit: The Lie of the Law (Informa, 2009). He is also a contributing editor of Chitty on Contracts.



Dr Aygün Mammadzada LLB (Baku State), LLM, PhD (Soton)

Aygün joined Swansea in 2022. She previously worked as a part-time Lecturer at Bournemouth University, a TA at Southampton and a Lecturer at Baku State University.

She has been awarded Max Planck research grants and Konrad Zweigert scholarships, and is the Managing Editor of Global Constitutionalism, published by the Cambridge University Press. She is a qualified lawyer in the Azerbaijan Republic, and has worked in the Azerbaijani Ministry of Education, and the International and Erasmus+ Exchange Programme of the European Commission.



Angela Nicholas LLB, LLM, LPC (Swansea)

Angie initially joined the Shipping & Trade Team as a Research Officer on the HEFCW funded Cyber Risk Insurance: Building Resilience in Wales project, before becoming a Tutor in 2023. Prior to this,

Angie worked in the consumer and commercial insurance industry, training staff on insurance regulation. Angie holds an LLB, LLM and LPC from Swansea University, and is currently pursuing a PhD in the use of Blockchain within shipping and insurance.

She has recently co-published a paper in the Edinburgh Law Review on cyber risk insurance as a risk mitigation tool for SMEs. Angie teaches on several of the shipping and trade modules.



Emeritus Professor D. Rhidian Thomas LLB (Wales), MA (Sheffield), ACIArb

Professor Thomas, a graduate of the Universities of Wales and Sheffield, was appointed Professor of Maritime Law in 2000, and remained such until his retirement in 2010.

He has been a member of the Departmental Advisory Committee on Arbitration Law, which produced and drafted the Arbitration Act 1996; of another committee advising the Department of Transport on the implementation of international conventions on shipping; of the British Maritime Law Association; and the British Insurance Law Association. He is author of numerous well-known texts in the industry and his journal publications in international commercial and maritime law, and in arbitration law, are extensive.



Simon Rainey KC MA Hons (Cantab), Lic Sp Dr Eur (Brussels), Honorary Professor

Simon Rainey KC is a barrister at Quadrant Chambers, the leading shipping set in London.

His principal areas of practice are international commerce, embracing particularly shipping, commodities, insurance and the carriage and sale of goods, and energy. He is frequently appointed as arbitrator (LCIA, ICC, LMAA and ad-hoc, sitting both sole and as co-arbitrator); he also sits as a Recorder and as a Deputy High Court Judge in the Queen's Bench Division. He has been cited for many years by the Legal 500 as a leading silk in shipping, commodities, commercial litigation and dispute resolution, international arbitration, energy insurance, reinsurance, and professional negligence. He is the author of The Law of Tug and Tow and Offshore Contracts (2nd Edn, Informa, 2004; the third edition is renamed The Law of Offshore Contracts, and was published in 2011).



Dr Jia Wang LLB (DMU), LLM, PhD (Nottingham)

Jia joined Swansea University as a Lecturer in 2023. She holds an LLB in Maritime Law from Dalian Maritime University, after which she worked as an Assistant Judge in a local court in China for two years. Jia also holds

two LLM Maritime Law Degrees from Dalian Maritime University and the University of Nottingham, and completed her PhD at the University of Nottingham in 2023.

Before joining Swansea University, Jia worked as a Teaching Associate at the University of Nottingham between 2021 and 2023. Her research interests lie in socio-legal studies of legal transplantation, marine insurance law, with a particular focus on the protection of SMEs in insurance business, and legal globalisation.



Professor Andrew Tettenborn MA, LLB (Cantab), Barrister

Professor Tettenborn's quality of teaching has been acknowledged by Swansea University with the award of a well-deserved prize for excellence in learning and teaching.

He is a general common and commercial lawyer with wide interests but he specialises in international trade law, ship finance and admiralty law. Professor Tettenborn co-edits Marsden's Collisions at Sea, and is the General Editor of Clerk & Lindsell on Torts. In 2020, with Professor Francis Rose, he produced the Admiralty Claims for the British Shipping Law series. He sits on the editorial board of Lloyd's Maritime & Commercial Law Quarterly, and the Journal of International Maritime Law



Dr Shuangge Wen LLB (CUPL), LLM (Nottingham, Manchester), PhD (Manchester), Professor at Jilin University

Prior to joining Swansea in 2011, Associate Professor Wen was lecturing at the University of Liverpool.

Her research specialisms extend from general aspects of business law to interdisciplinary areas including corporate governance, business ethics and investment strategy, on which she has published several articles in renowned legal journals. She currently serves as a Professor in Law at the prestigious Jilin University in China. In Swansea, Dr Wen is involved in the teaching of our LLM programmes as the Module Director of International Corporate Law and Governance.



Honorary Professor Richard Williams LLB (Wales), LLM (London), Solicitor of the Supreme Court England & Wales

Richard Williams is an Honorary Professor at the School of Law, Swansea University. He was formerly a Partner with Ince & Co.; a leading international law firm specialising in shipping and related matters, where he specialised in

charterparties, bills of lading and P&I issues, and was recognised in the professional press as one of London's leading experts. For many years he was Head of the firm's Chartering and Dry Shipping Group, and has been involved in the development of policy and documentation within the industry, both for clients and international industry bodies.

He is co-author, with both Jeremy Farr and Patrick Griggs, ex-president of the Comitee Maritime International, of Limitation of Maritime Liability, 4th ed (2005, LLP Ltd), and the author of the Gard Guidance on Maritime Claims and Insurance (2013). Professor Williams has also been awarded a prize for excellence in learning and teaching by Swansea University.

### **Award-Winning Staff**

Four of our teaching team have been the recipient of the prestigious student nominated/voted Swansea University Excellence in Learning and Teaching Award:



Dr Andrew Iwobi



Professor George Leloudas



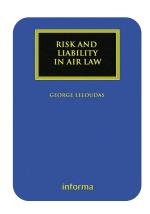
Professor Andrew Tettenborn



**Professor Richard Williams** 







### Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law (IISTL)

The IISTL was established in 2000; it was then, and remains today, a specialist research and professional training centre, promoting scholarship and teaching of the highest standard in the fields of international shipping and trade law. It has always been outward-looking, with a policy of fostering co-operation with other academic institutions and professional, commercial, shipping, insurance and business organisations.

In the course of the last two decades, the Institute has become one of the largest specialist research centres in Europe dedicated to shipping, trade, commercial, energy and IP law. In recent years, the IISTL has engaged in several significant research projects including autonomy in shipping, illegal fishing and liability insurance, cyber risks in the insurance sector, and the impact of the pandemic on shipping and trade. These projects have been funded by national and international organisations.

As an organisation, the IISTL undertakes its own research projects and also makes a substantial contribution to research, policymaking, professional training and teaching, across the field of shipping and commercial law. Several of its members have been involved in the debate on reforming aspects of shipping and insurance law, at domestic and international levels: some have served on working groups of inter-governmental organisations or provided legal advice to key NGOs and institutions. Also, several of its members offer consultancy services on various aspects of maritime, shipping and IP law.

The Institute runs its own informative and much-read blog on commercial legal matters, and you can follow its day-to-day progress on Twitter.

### Blog: iistl.blog | Twitter: @swansea\_iistl









### **IISTL Research Projects**

The primary objectives of the Institute are to:

- Bridge the gap between academia and practice;
- Deliver research that is capable of influencing law and policymaking, and commercialisation of products;
- Deliver research on contemporary developments that is interdisciplinary in nature.

To meet these objectives, the IISTL has been engaged in various research projects over the years, some of which are noted below:

### Cyber Risk Insurance - Building Resilience in Wales

Funded by the Research Wales Innovation Fund, the primary aim of the project is to evaluate the effectiveness of cyber risk insurance as a risk management tool for Welsh small and medium sized businesses (SMEs).

#### **Partners:**





#### In Association With:

Cyflymu Cymru i Fusnesau

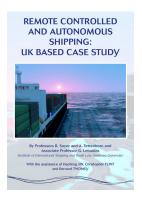
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# Autonomous Ships - Creation of A New Legal Framework





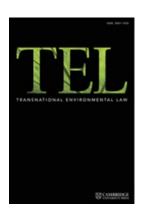
The Role of
Remote Control
Centres in Autonomous
Shipping Project,
funded by the Assuring
Autonomy International
Programme and
Lloyd's Register
Foundation.

# UNCTAD Report on Legal and Practical Implications of Covid-19



This is a report for the United
Nations Conference on Trade
and Development, and was
prepared by Professor Simon
Baughen, with contributions by
Regina Asariotis and Anila Premti,
Policy and Legislation Section, Trade
Logistics Branch, Division on
Technology and Logistics of UNCTAD.

### Impact of Insurance on Illegal Fishing



Funded by Waterloo
Foundation and contributed
to the publication of The
Marine Insurance Statement
against IUU Fishing, signed and
supported by more than 20
leading insurers, insurance
market bodies, and key
stakeholders from across
the globe.

### **World Rankings**





### **Employability Initiatives**

One of our most important goals is to enhance our students' employability prospects, and prepare them for the next stage of their professional lives. We offer our students numerous opportunities to make sure they have the best possible chance.

#### For example:

- \* Our (optional) module on Employability Skills in the Commercial and Maritime Industry. This gives you the practical guidance in written and oral communication skills that you will need for a successful career after your LLM. Students on this module are introduced to the world of job applications, and are taught what they might need to help them to grow and move forward with their career path, including how to recognise and make the most of experience, learning, and knowledge, and how to promote themselves effectively, including ways of qualifying as a practising lawyer.
- \* Our guest lectures, delivered at regular intervals throughout the course by distinguished visiting scholars and practitioners. These offer our students an unique insight into practice, as well as sharing industry expertise and guidance for career success.
- \* Our commercial law mooting programme. This aims at developing our LLM students' vital transferable skills by allowing them to apply, practically, the subjects they learn during the course. Our mooting competitions have been hosted by such organisations as the UK Supreme Court and international law firms such as HFW.



Our LLM Team bringing home the trophy after an emphatic win at 7KBW Commercial & Maritime Mooting Competition



LLM students preparing for the Final at the Supreme Court



LLM students attending an Aviation Law event in London with Professor Leloudas

### **Employability Initiatives**

- \* Our networking events and visits to leading enterprises within the City of London, such as Lloyd's of London and Marsh, with a view to enhancing our students' practical understanding of shipping and insurance markets.
- \* Our close links with legal practice and operators in the shipping and business sectors. Several of those who give our courses (Professors George Leloudas, Richard Williams, Andrew Tettenborn, Simon Baughen and Barış Soyer) either have experience in international law firms or have worked closely with them. Members of the postgraduate teaching team also regularly deliver professional development training seminars and lectures to top organisations, including city law firms, BIMCO, IATA and BP.
- \* Our specialised employability advice from dedicated Employability Officers, who also run regular training courses throughout the year.
- \* Our CV & Cover Letter Review Sessions offered throughout the year and our Interviewing Skills Clinic provide students with the necessary feedback and critical advice to ensure they apply to jobs with their best foot forward.
- \*Recognition from professional bodies we have arrangements with various organisations, which offer prizes and internships to our students. For more examples, see: bit.ly/IISTLEmploy



Winners of the Kennedys/Swansea Moot
- all three students went on to win various
internship prizes (Tatham Macinnes,
Quadrant Chambers and Hannaford Turner)



William Tackie-Yarboi and Leo Fan receiving the Stephenson Harwood Internship Prizes



Winners of the three HFW Prizes available to our students, pictured with HFW Partner, Richard Neylon



Mr Kitack Lim (General Secretary of IMO) with our student, Jiancuo Qi, completing his internship at IMO

### Internships

Our connections help our students to get internship opportunities during and after their LLM studies.



#### **European Parliament**

Melissa Oswald undertook a 5-month traineeship at the Legal Service of the European Parliament in Brussels. During this time, she mainly worked on preliminary rulings and

action for annulment cases involving a broad range of topics concerning EU Law, including law of the sea and intellectual property law. During her time in Brussels, she had the opportunity to gain unique insights into the work of the European Parliament, and to learn from the lawyers working in her unit.



# International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

Aurélia was selected among several candidates from all around the world to spend 3 months as an intern at the International Tribunal for

the Law of the Sea in Hamburg. Her daily tasks consisted of assisting legal officers during the court hearings and researching on cases dealt with by the Tribunal. She additionally supported the judges and newly elected President by researching on various aspects of the law of the sea.



#### **Bloomfield Law Practice**

Lemea was the recipient of the Bloomfield Law Practice Prize which presented him the unique opportunity of working as an intern in Nigeria. This internship experience enabled

him to find out more about the practical aspects of maritime and shipping issues at his home jurisdiction. He is grateful to the Law School and Bloomfield Law Practice for this excellent professional and personal learning experience, and to Mr. Adedoyin Afun (Partner at Bloomfield) for being so welcoming.



#### China P&I Club

Yaxin is a graduate of Shanghai Maritime University (SMU).

During her LLM summer break at Swansea, she was offered a

two-week internship at the China P&I Club in Shanghai. She worked at the Claims Department and FDD & TCL Department. The internship enabled her to gain in-depth knowledge and insight into the claim handling process.



#### UN World Food Programme

Nadia undertook the LLM in Oil, Gas and Renewable Energy Law at Swansea University. She previously secured internships at various

UN bodies and can speak French, English and Arabic fluently. She was offered an internship at the UN World Food Programme to deal with international sale contracts and communication in countries affected by civil war.



#### **BIMCO**

The IISTL enjoys close links with BIMCO, the world's largest direct-membership organisation for ship-owners, charterers, shipbrokers and agents. Their Asia Office

offered an internship opportunity to Yuyang Sun in Shanghai. Yuyang excelled in her LLM studies and was provided with the opportunity to have an internship as a result of her excellent performance in the Ship and Other Asset Finance module.

#### **Destinations**



Jummai Abarshi (Nigeria)

"From the very day I stepped into the Law School, I knew that my choice was the right one!

The learning environment created here is impressive. My tutors are absolutely brilliant: dedicated to their work, enthusiastic, knowledgeable and very approachable. You can always be sure of receiving a helping hand here!"



Sagun Sudhir (Kent)

Sagun was the recipient of the IISTL Prize for the Best LLM Dissertation, the Ince & Co. Prize for the

Best Performing LLM Student, and the HFW Prize in Carriage of Goods.

He now works as a foreign qualified lawyer with Sea Green Law, alongside studying to qualify as a Solicitor.



Dr Yang Zhao (London)

Dr Zhao is currently working with the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), as

Counsel. Before joining the LCIA, he worked in the London offices of Holman Fenwick Willan LLP (HFW) and Eversheds LLP for four years. Prior to that, he trained with Herbert Smith Freehills in London before qualifying in England and Wales.



Omar Cordova-Cordovi (Peru)

"Since day one, I have felt encouraged to gain knowledge at every step.

Swansea provides an environment in which discussion is stimulated, and I could not be more impressed. I would like to express my appreciation to the staff and fellow classmates; the combination is making this experience unforgettable, and confirms that I made the right decision."



Florian Schacker (London)

Florian completed his LLM in International Commercial and Maritime Law at Swansea.

Following work placements with More Fisher Brown (MFB) and Ince & Co., Florian was offered a training contract by Ince & Co. He later moved to another leading international law firm, HFW, and is currently based in London working for their Shipping Team.



Siddharth Mahajan (India)

Siddharth is a Master Mariner with more than 20 years of sailing and shore-based experience

in the maritime industry. Following his LLM, he worked as a DPA for a tanker owner in Thailand for three years where he was in charge of ISM and TMSA related matters. He now works in Singapore with GARD AS, a leading marine insurer, as a Loss Prevention Executive for the Asia region.

#### **Entry Requirements**

Candidates are required to have a good initial degree in law or a cognate discipline. However, candidates may also be admitted by showing proof of relevant experience in the proposed area of study, such as professional, commercial, business, technological or financial experience.

#### How to Apply

The most efficient way to apply for one of our programmes is to apply online at: swansea.ac.uk/applyonline This way, you can also track your application at each stage of the process and print off a copy of your decision letter.

#### When to Apply

Early applications are advisable (by 31 st July, in the year of intended study).

#### **Decision Process**

After submitting your application, you'll receive an email with your student number, which must be used in all future correspondence with us. Your application will be considered by the relevant selection team, and we'll be in touch if any further information is needed. We try to make a decision on your application as quickly as possible, and if you have fully completed your application form and submitted the required supporting documents, this will normally be within 9 working days. You will receive an email when a decision has been made. If your application has been accepted, you can view the offer letter, and University Terms and Conditions, and respond immediately.

#### **Admissions Policy**

The University welcomes applications and enquiries from all people regardless of age, race, ethnic or national origin, religious or political beliefs, gender, sexual preference, marital status, family responsibility, and physical or sensory disability, unless these activities are unlawful or contrary to University policy. The University treats all applicants on their individual merits and welcomes applications from candidates with a range of qualifications.

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#### Martin Karst

"From day one, I felt that the programme was structured to provide the very best content. The teaching staff invested in

each of the students and their development, and were recognised experts within their respective fields. My time at Swansea gave me a critical foundation and advantage when pursuing a career in shipping and international trade."



#### Shazia Bint Ashraf

"The Shipping and Trade Department at Swansea University is well known in the maritime scene. It was an obvious choice from the

get go. What sealed the deal was the way they dealt with my application. I wasn't faceless to them. All queries were addressed in a personable manner. It was obvious that staff were warm and welcoming, they still are. It felt like coming home."

The Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law, Swansea University



