Graduate Certificate: Employee Benefits Law

About the Certificate

The Employee Benefits Law certificate is designed for those interested in additional training who are not yet ready to pursue an LLM degree. The certificate program exposes students to the sophisticated federal laws that govern the provision of employee benefits. Credits earned in completing the certificate may be applied toward the LLM in Taxation if pursued later.

Time Limit for Certificate Completion: 2 years, although the program is often completed in two semesters

Campus Location: Main

Full-Time/Part-Time Status: The certificate program can be completed on a full- or part-time basis.

Admission Requirements and Deadlines

Application Deadline:

Fall: August 1
Spring: December 15
Summer: May 1

The cost to apply is $50.

APPLY ONLINE to this certificate program.

Coursework Required for Admission Consideration: Applicants must have satisfactorily completed a basic tax income course in law school or demonstrated comparable work experience. An applicant who cannot meet this requirement must take JUDO 0600, the basic tax course in taxation offered for Temple’s JD program, in the first term of enrollment. Credits earned in meeting this prerequisite are not applied toward the certificate program.

Degree Required for Admission Consideration: A Juris Doctor or equivalent first degree in law for non-U.S. law school graduates is required. Official law transcripts must be submitted either electronically or as hard copy received in a sealed envelope from the issuing institution.

Statement of Goals: Outline your interest in the program in a one- to two-page personal statement.

Standardized Test Scores:

Unless a waiver is provided, lawyers trained in a non-English-speaking country must report scores for a standardized test of English that meet these minimums:

- TOEFL iBT: 88
- IELTS Academic: 6.5
- Duolingo: 115

Resume: Current resume or CV is required.

Certificate Requirements

Number of Credits Required to Complete the Certificate: 8

Required Courses:

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GPA Required to be Awarded the Certificate: 2.5 minimum

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