

# Comparative and International Law

Undergraduate Letter of Specialization

Legal Studies Program, Department of Political Science, University of Massachusetts Amherst

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The Legal Studies Program announces a Letter of Specialization in Comparative and International Law. A letter of specialization can be cited as a credential on resumes, personal statements and in letters of recommendation. It represents completion of significant coursework in the socio-legal inquiry of comparative and international law. All coursework must carry at least 3 credits and be taken for a letter grade. Students must maintain a cumulative average GPA of 2.0 across the five courses required.

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## REQUIREMENT: 5 APPROVED COURSES WHICH FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE LETTER OF SPECIALIZATION IN COMPARATIVE AND INTERNATIONAL LAW

Course #	Applicable Legal Studies Courses	Completed (x) or In Progress (IP)
318 (formerly 397RP)	Russian Politics, Law and Society	
370	Comparative Law and Society	
375	Human Rights and Wrongs	
392J (formerly 392T)	Transitional Justice and Truth Commissions	
393LG	Law and Global Migration	
397K	Human Trafficking	
482 (formerly 497I)	The Irish Peace Process	
484 (formerly 497II)	The Irish Peace Process: After the Good Friday Agreements	
	<b>Law-Related Liberal Arts or Other Approved Course (one allowed):</b>	

One class can be applied to the requirements by taking a course that has been pre-approved and is listed below as a **Law-Related Liberal Arts class for the Legal Studies Program**. Please note that you will need to go through normal enrollment channels with these classes. Inclusion on this list does not give you any priority in admission or the ability to circumvent another department's pre-requisites or entrance requirements. Other courses at UMass, the Five Colleges, and elsewhere may be used to fulfill this requirement only with the approval of the Comparative and International Law Letter of Specialization Point Person as listed on the website. When requesting approval of an unlisted course, please be prepared to share a copy of the course syllabus with the Point Person.

### COURSE APPROVALS

\_\_\_\_\_ (name of course) has been approved for inclusion in the Comparative and International Law Letter of Specialization in the Legal Studies Program.

\_\_\_\_\_ (signature of Dr. Lauren McCarthy) \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

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### VERIFICATION OF COMPLETION

\_\_\_\_\_ (student name) \_\_\_\_\_ (ID number) has fulfilled the requirements for the Comparative and International Law Letter of Specialization in the Legal Studies Program.

\_\_\_\_\_ (signature of Legal Studies Advisor) \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

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**Please note that you may request approval for additional courses at UMass and the Five Colleges**

## UMASS AMHERST

German 371	Crime and Criminals in Modern German Culture
Judaic 350	Jewish Law and Society
Polisci 253	International Environmental Politics and Policies
Polisci 356	International Law
Polisci 359	International Political Economy
Polisci 391E	Rules of War
Polisci 394IIIH	International Environmental Policy and Politics