

INFORMATION BROCHURE

NATIONAL LAW SCHOOL OF INDIA UNIVERSITY (NLSIU), BANGALORE

Introduction

The National Law School of India University was established in 1986 to pioneer legal education reform and anchor the transformation of the Indian legal system through research and policy interventions. We are dedicated to the realization of core constitutional values through a vital democracy committed to freedom and social justice.

The University rests on a unique collaboration between legal academics, the Bar, the Bench and the State Government of Karnataka. This strong coalition has ensured that the University has remained the undoubted leader in legal education in India for the last three decades.

Nagarabhavi Campus

NLSIU began modestly at the Central College Campus of Bangalore University and in 1991 shifted to the Nagarabhavi campus. The 23-acre green and leafy campus includes state of the art classrooms, the best law library in India Shri Narayana Rao Melgiri National Law Library and clean and well-maintained hostels for men and women.

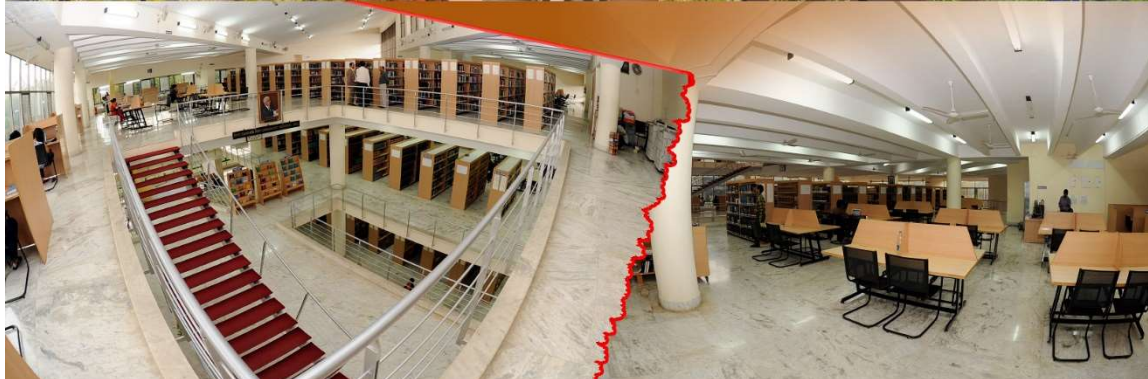




Academic Block



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Library

We have a well-appointed gymnasium, football pitches, tennis and basketball courts and are currently developing a core sport for all programme. The University maintains high quality wireless connectivity throughout the campus which have been upgraded in the last academic year. We are currently redeveloping common and public spaces in the University to ensure that all students have access to safe communal spaces that enhance well-being.



The Justice M Hidayatullah moot court hall named after the former Vice-President of India and Chief Justice of India is scheduled for a major upgrade in the year ahead. The University is committed to a sustainable and ecologically responsible future

I. B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) PROGRAMME

The University pioneered the 5 year integrated BA LLB (Hons) programme in India. This programme remains the flagship degree at NLSIU. This programme has several unique features:

First, the programme is taught in three trimesters each academic year. In each trimester, a student completes 4 courses and completes an intense programme of 60 courses before they graduate.

Secondly, the programme is strongly inter-disciplinary and students will develop an understanding of law as well as the humanities and social sciences;

Thirdly, the pedagogy is socratic where students engage actively with learning materials in the classroom and are challenged on a continuous basis;

Fourthly, after students complete foundation courses in the first two years of the programme, they are permitted to choose courses from the third year of the programme. These courses are often taught by professionals and academics from around the world;

Fifthly, all students write a mandatory paper in almost every course in the programme and present these materials to ensure that they develop research, writing and oral presentation skills;

Finally, all students will complete mandatory internships through the five year programme and develop the field awareness and professional skills necessary for their future careers.

Apart from the rigorous academic programme students at the University engage in several co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. Mooting remains a core activity. In 1999 the University became the first Indian team to win the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition. We won again in 2013 and were Runners Up in 2018. In 2017, the University team won the Manfred Lachs Space Law International Moot competition for the 3rd time, having won before in 2009 and 2012. Our students organize some key annual events including the NLS Open Debate, Strawberry Fields Music Festival, Admit One Theatre Competition and the Spiritus Sports Fest. More information is available on our University website.

Financial Assistance

In 2019 5 (five) of our first year B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) students have been awarded the Aditya Birla Scholarship for the A.Y. 2019-20. Currently there are 28 Aditya Birla Scholars pursuing their under-graduate studies in different years of study. Further, the University administers a Scholarship Policy under which Rs. 61,38,187/- was disbursed to students in need in 2019-20.

Careers & Alumni

Graduates of the University have excelled in various fields. Several graduates are admitted to postgraduate programmes at Ivy League Universities in the US, Oxford and Cambridge in the UK and several other Universities around the world. From 1996, 20 graduates have secured Rhodes Scholarships and several more have been selected for other scholarship opportunities.

Mr. Shekar B. Saraf (LLB'1996) was the first alumnus to be elevated as a Judge of the Calcutta High Court in September 2017. Mr. Sunil Dutt Yadav (LLB'1996) was elevated as a Judge of the Karnataka High Court in February 2018 and Mr. C. Saravanan (LLB' 1994) was elevated as Judge of the Madras High Court in May 2018. In March 2019 Mr. Suraj Govindraj (LLB'1995) has been elevated as Judge of Karnataka High Court.

Several alumni have been designated as Senior Advocates by the Supreme Court and various High Courts and Mr. Vikramjit Banerjee (LLB'1997) is the Additional Solicitor General of India.

Rankings

For these reasons, NLS has been ranked No.1 in the NIRF rankings in 2018 and 2019. The India Today, The Week, Outlook, Careers360 and Education World confirm the University as the top legal education in India.

Eligibility

Educational Qualification:

A Pass in 10+2 or an equivalent examination with a minimum of (i) Forty Five percent (45%) of marks or its equivalent grade in case of candidates belonging to General/PWD categories and (ii) Forty percent (40%) of marks or equivalent in case of candidates belonging to SC/ST categories.

Candidates appearing for the qualifying examination in the year of admission are also permitted to take the Admission Test, but their admission to the course shall be subject to their fulfilling the conditions stipulated in the Regulations and production of supporting documentary evidence at the time of admission.

The University reserves the right to cancel the admission of any candidate in accordance with the Rules.

Intake and Reservation

At present, the intake capacity of B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) Degree Programme shall be 80 (eighty) with the following break-up:

a)	General Category	:	62
b)	Scheduled Caste	:	12 (i.e. 15%)
c)	Scheduled Tribe	:	6 (i.e. 7.5%)

[Note:5% (4 seats) horizontal reservation for Persons with Disability (PWD)]

Fee Structure [B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) Programme]

Total fee (including refundable deposits)

a)	General Category	Rs. 2,62,000.00 p.a.
b)	SC / ST Category	Rs. 2,58,875.00 p.a.

(Note:-Subject to revision)

II. LL.M. (Master of Laws) DEGREE PROGRAMME

NLSIU offers One-Year LL.M. Degree programme with two specializations: (i) BUSINESS LAWS and (ii) HUMAN RIGHTS LAWS. Specialisations are available based on CLAT rankings.

Course Structure

Like the BA LLB (Hons) programme, the LL.M. programme is organized around three trimesters in every academic year. Students will complete the UGC mandated 3 Core Courses and then complete 2 Core Courses in each specialization. Students may choose from a wide array of electives and seminars besides writing a mandatory dissertation in their third and last trimester. All students will complete internships between the second and third trimester.

Eligibility

Educational Qualification:

An LL.B. Degree or an equivalent examination with a minimum of (i) Fifty percent (50%) of marks or its equivalent grade in case of candidates belonging to General/PWD categories and (ii) Forty five percent (45%) of marks or its equivalent grade in case of candidates belonging to SC/ST categories.

Candidates appearing for the qualifying examination in the year of admission are also permitted to take the Admission Test, but their admission to the course shall be subject to their fulfilling the conditions stipulated in the Regulations and production of supporting documentary evidence at the time of admission.

The University reserves the right to cancel the admission of any candidate in accordance with the Rules.

Intake and Reservation [for LL.M. Programme]

At present, the intake capacity of LL.M. Degree Programme shall be 50 (Fifty) with the following break-up:

BUSINESS LAWS 30

HUMAN RIGHTS LAWS 20

Sl. No.	Category	Business Laws Total – 30 seats	Human Rights Law Total – 20 seats
1	General Category	23	15
2	Scheduled Caste (15%)	05	03
3	Scheduled Tribe (7.5%)	02	02

Note:5% (3 seats) horizontal reservation for Persons with Disability (PWD)

Fee Structure [for LL.M. Programme]

Total fee (including refundable deposits)

- a) General Category Rs. 1,89,500.00 p.a.
- b) SC / ST Category Rs. 1,86,375.00 p.a.

(Note:-Subject to revision)

Common for both B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) and LL.M. Programme

1. The fees / charges may be revised by the University, but the revised fees/charges will be applied prospectively.

2. The motto of NLSIU is that no one who secures admission to NLSIU shall discontinue studies on account of financial constraints. Keeping this in mind, the NLSIU will provide necessary financial assistance to the needy students. NLSIU has a vibrant Scholarship Policy to help the poor and the needy.

Note: If a candidate withdraws their admission on any ground, in any of the courses of the University, only the refundable deposits will be returned. Such candidates will not be eligible to claim a refund of any other fees.

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