Call for Applications 2012

Columbia Law School – Sorbonne Law School: JD/Master en droit

The U.S. Juris Doctor/French Master en Droit is a four-year dual degree program in partnership with the Sorbonne Law School of the Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne. The J.D./Master en droit dual degree program has operated continuously following its creation in 1997. The complete official name for the program is "Master en droit, mention droits français et étranger, spécialité droits français et américain."

❖ For more information, visit:

http://www.law.columbia.edu/center_program/intl_progs/double_degree/Paris

The program is designed to provide its graduates the education necessary to be licensed practitioners in the United States and in France. Students spend the first two years studying at Columbia Law School, followed by two years at one of France’s leading law faculties, the Sorbonne Law School of the Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne. Upon successfully completing the program, students receive the Juris Doctor degree from Columbia Law School and the Master 1 and 2 en Droit, from Sorbonne Law.

Admission to the Program

Applicants Admitted by Columbia With Paris I Concurrence

Applicants must be completely fluent in French. It is possible to apply at either, the initial application to the Columbia J.D. program, or, following admission to Columbia Law School, one may apply during the Spring semester of the first year. The annual application deadline is the 31st of January 2013. Students are now required to complete four years of law.
APPLICANTS ADMITTED BY PARIS I WITH COLUMBIA CONCURRENCE

Two students from France are admitted into the program each year through an application process administered by the Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne. Students applying in France must have the Baccalaureate degree and at least two years of advanced study at a French institution of higher learning. Interested candidates should consult the Paris I website: http://www.univ-paris1.fr/ufr/ufr070/diplomes-droits-francais-et-etranger/

Curriculum

THE FIRST TWO YEARS AT COLUMBIA
THE THIRD AND FOURTH YEARS AT PARIS I

At Paris 1, the students will study in the Département des Études Internationales, Européennes et Comparatives. The program curriculum can be found here: www.univ-paris1.fr/fileadmin/EDS/fichiers/ColumbiaBorchure.rtf

BAR EXAMINATIONS/ADMISSION

Graduates of the J.D./Master en Droit program have received the necessary legal education and are eligible to take, bar examinations in the United States and in France. Typically, U.S. graduates take the New York bar examination first and, if they want, the bar examination in France, under the special procedures available to lawyers licensed to practice outside France. To learn more about these procedures, frequently referred to as "Article 100," see this page: http://cnb.avocat.fr/Avocats-inscrits-a-un-barreau-en-dehors-de-l-Union-europeenne-Procedure-et-conditions-pour-beneficier-des-dispositions_a238.html

U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT INFORMATION FOR STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

American Bar Association accreditation criteria require that all programs of study abroad must provide the students therein access to the relevant U.S. Department of State Consular
Information Sheets, Travel Warnings and other notices regarding the country in which the study will take place. There currently are no travel warnings or other notifications for France, other than its Consular Information Sheet, which can be accessed here. People enrolled in the program must consult this information immediately prior to traveling to Paris to begin the program there.

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