



CERTIFICATE OF

# Global Legal Practice

**M** | LAW

# Summer Certificate Program



**T**HE ABILITY OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION TO SPAN COUNTRIES, CULTURES, LANGUAGES, AND LEGAL SYSTEMS NEVER HAS BEEN MORE CRITICAL. Consequently, the most successful lawyers of tomorrow not only will be the smartest, but also the most globally capable and well-connected.

Michigan Law's eight-week, invitation-only summer Certificate of Global Legal Practice<sup>1</sup> program curates a network of some of the best lawyers of the future to ensure that these top achievers not only know the law, but have the personal relationships for meaningful global practice.

<sup>1</sup>Pending ABA acquiescence

The most accomplished law schools from North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Asia, and Oceania have been invited to participate. Selected based on quality, but carefully considering geographic diversity, each school may nominate just one student each year, creating a network of top-notch law schools and students that spans the globe. Cultivated by the continuing support of Michigan Law and expanding with each year's class, this unprecedented community of program alumni will lead the development of law and legal institutions in their home jurisdictions and beyond.

## PROGRAM DISTINCTION

Students who successfully complete the program will receive:

- A Certificate of Global Legal Practice from the University of Michigan,
- Academic credit that may be counted toward the New York Bar's new skills competency requirement (for students who expect to take the New York Bar exam in the future), and
- Four academic credits applicable to a Michigan Law LLM degree (for any student who subsequently is accepted into the full-time LLM program).



# Program Overview

Students will spend June in Ann Arbor, taking classes at Michigan Law, living together in our historic Lawyers Club, engaging in numerous network-building activities, and creating lifelong friendships. They will spend July completing legal internships at prestigious law firms in Washington, D.C., or New York City.

## JUNE

### REQUIRED COURSEWORK

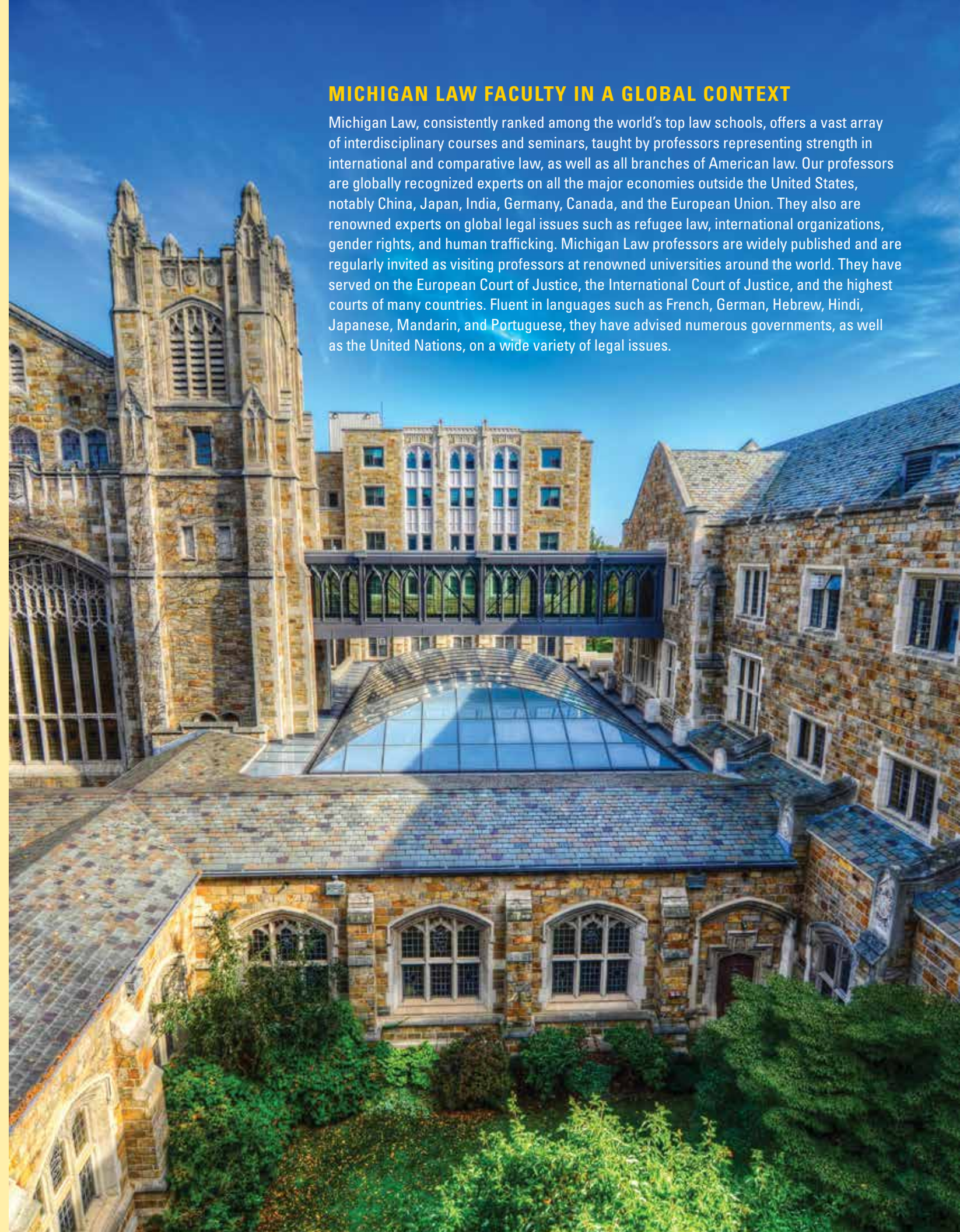
The Certificate of Global Legal Practice is comprised of eight credits. Five credits will be earned from Michigan Law courses, including:

- A substantive law course with a focus on interactive legal problem-solving, taught by a full-time Michigan Law faculty member (3 credits)
- A course introducing U.S. legal writing, analysis, and research skills, taught by Michigan Law's Legal Practice faculty (1 credit)
- A course on U.S. legal practice, taught by law firm practitioners (1 credit)

## JULY

### PRACTICAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Three credits will be earned from a four-week legal internship at a leading law firm in Washington, D.C., or New York City, where students will put into practice what they learn at Michigan Law. During these internships, students will expand their professional networks to include current legal practitioners while solidifying relationships with their classmates as they transfer into a real-world working environment.



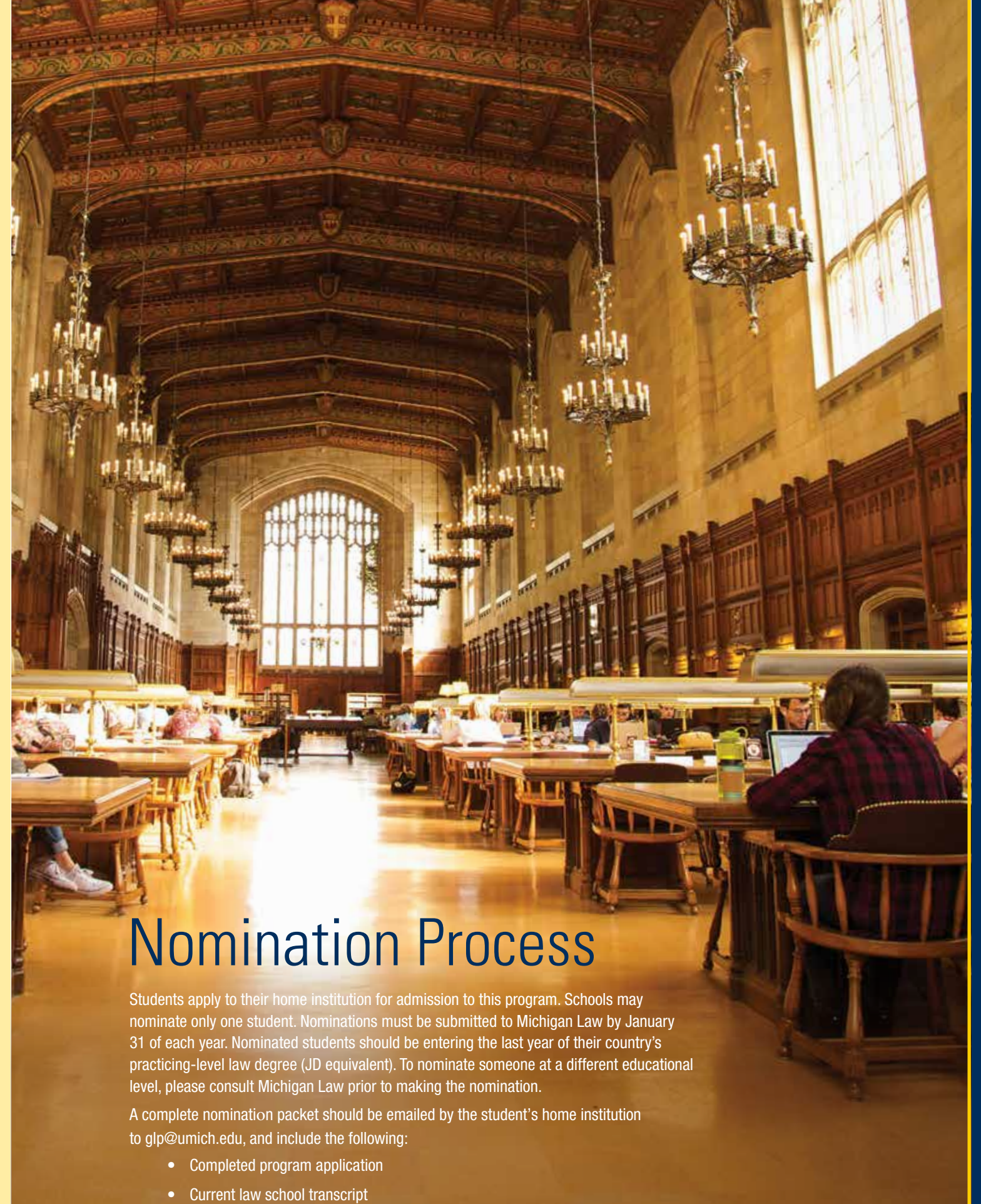
## MICHIGAN LAW FACULTY IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT

Michigan Law, consistently ranked among the world's top law schools, offers a vast array of interdisciplinary courses and seminars, taught by professors representing strength in international and comparative law, as well as all branches of American law. Our professors are globally recognized experts on all the major economies outside the United States, notably China, Japan, India, Germany, Canada, and the European Union. They also are renowned experts on global legal issues such as refugee law, international organizations, gender rights, and human trafficking. Michigan Law professors are widely published and are regularly invited as visiting professors at renowned universities around the world. They have served on the European Court of Justice, the International Court of Justice, and the highest courts of many countries. Fluent in languages such as French, German, Hebrew, Hindi, Japanese, Mandarin, and Portuguese, they have advised numerous governments, as well as the United Nations, on a wide variety of legal issues.



Ann Arbor is a vibrant, welcoming, and sophisticated Midwestern city with a population of about 110,000, one-third of whom are college or graduate students. At its heart is the University of Michigan, which draws individuals from all over the world to teach, attend class, work, and make their homes. The city offers the cultural, educational, and recreational advantages of a major urban center, but retains the tranquility, and warmth of a small city.

## About Ann Arbor



## Nomination Process

Students apply to their home institution for admission to this program. Schools may nominate only one student. Nominations must be submitted to Michigan Law by January 31 of each year. Nominated students should be entering the last year of their country's practicing-level law degree (JD equivalent). To nominate someone at a different educational level, please consult Michigan Law prior to making the nomination.

A complete nomination packet should be emailed by the student's home institution to [glp@umich.edu](mailto:glp@umich.edu), and include the following:

- Completed program application
- Current law school transcript
- Curriculum vitae
- Proof of English proficiency (if necessary)
- Letter of recommendation from the nominating institution



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