

Keio University Law School
Specialization Program in International Dispute Resolution

1. Overview

In order to contribute to globalization of the Japanese legal profession and specifically, the development of human resources in the area of international dispute resolution such as international arbitration, on February 25, 2019, Keio University Law School (“KLS”) qualified as a **Recognized Course Provider** (“RCP”) for the **Chartered Institute of Arbitrators** (“CIArb”), one of the world’s leading professional bodies for training of international dispute resolution professionals.

Accordingly, from April 2019, students in both the KLS J.D. and LL.M. programs who complete the KLS courses **Introduction to Arbitration, International Commercial Arbitration I and Mediation** can obtain a qualification as a CIArb member (either Associate, full Member, or Accredited Mediator).

Further, legal professionals who wish to be active in the field of international dispute resolution and to acquire related knowledge and skills may register at KLS as non-degree “subject” students to take international dispute resolution-related courses, centered on the above-referenced two subjects, as part of KLS’ “International Dispute Resolution Specialization Program” which is being established concurrently as one of KLS’ continuing legal education (CLE) programs. This CLE program is designed for working professionals, and so many of the courses offered in the program are held evenings or weekends to be compatible with work obligations.

2. Program Contents and Requirements for Completion

The “International Dispute Resolution Specialization Program” is comprised of a number of courses related to international dispute resolution, centered on international arbitration. Elective compulsory subjects I (basic subjects), elective compulsory subjects II (practical training subjects) and elective subjects (specialized / special ADR subjects) are required for completion. At least 6 credits are required, including compulsory subjects (2 or more credits) and elective compulsory subjects (1 or more credits).

(1) Elective Compulsory Subjects I (basic subjects) (2 or more credits)

- Introduction to Arbitration (Spring term/Fall Term, 1 credit) *
Instructor: Anselmo T. Reyes
- International Commercial Arbitration I (Spring term, 2 credits) *
Instructor: Douglas K. Freeman
- International Commercial Arbitration II (Fall term, 2 credits)
Instructors: Yoshimi Ohara, Tony Andriotis, Joaquin P. Terceño
- SIAC and Institutional Arbitration I (Spring term, 1 credit)
Instructor: Barry Born and other SIAC instructors
- SIAC and Institutional Arbitration II (Spring term, 2 credits)
Instructor: Barry Born and other SIAC instructors

(2) Elective Compulsory Subjects I (practical training subjects) (2 or more credits)

- International Commercial Dispute Resolution - An Introduction to Professional Practice
(Spring term, 2 credits)
Instructors: Susumu Masuda, Yuko Kanamaru, Huw R. Watkins
- Negotiation (Spring term, 2 credits)
Instructors: Makoto Shimada, Masako Miyatake, Satoshi Yamabe
- Mediation (Spring term, 2 credits)
Instructor: Masako Miyatake
- Arbitration (Fall semester, 2 credits)
Instructors: Makoto Shimada, Douglas K. Freeman, Masako Miyatake, Satoshi Yamabe
- Legal Debate and Negotiation (Fall semester, 2 credits)
Instructors: David G. Litt
- Moot Court (Spring semester/Fall semester 3 credits)
Instructor: Setsuko Aoki

(3) Elective Subjects (no requirements, but when combined with credits in the above categories (1) and (2), must total at least 6 credits)

- Case Study in International Dispute Resolution and Regulatory Law (Spring term, 1 credit)
Instructors: Yoshimasa Furuta, Tony Andriotis
- Cross-border Litigation (Spring term, 2 credits)
Instructor: Susumu Masuda
- Intellectual Property Case Law and Enforcement (Spring term, 2 credits)
Instructor: Toshiko Takenaka
- Seminar (Case Study in International Competition Law) (Spring term, 1 credit)
Instructor: Hiromitsu Miyakawa
- International Investment Arbitration (Fall semester, 2 credits)
Instructor: James Claxton
- Sports Law and Dispute Resolution (Fall term, 1 credit)
Instructors: Masahiro Takamatsu, Shoichi Sugiyama, Kengo Iida

* These three subjects are recognized as requirements for CIArb membership.

By successful completion of Introduction to Arbitration (1 credit) you can acquire the qualification to become an Associate Member of CIArb (ACIArb).

By successful completion of International Commercial Arbitration I (2 credits) you can acquire the qualification to become a CIArb member (MCIArb).

By successful completion of Mediation (2 credits) you can acquire the qualification to become a CIArb Accredited Mediator (MCIArb).

3. Fees

Legal practitioners who take courses at KLS in this CLE program are classified as non-degree “subject” students (科目等履修生.)

The following fees are required to take courses at KLS as “subject” students:

Examination fee (for one year) * 18,000 yen /

Registration fee (1 semester) * 40,000 yen /

Tuition fee (per 1 credit) 36,000 yen

The total of tuition and other fees required to receive the KLS completion certificate is 314,000 yen for 6 credits taken over one academic year (2 semesters). If you were instead to take the required 6 credits for completion in one semester, the cost is 274,000 yen.

Note: Additional fees are charged directly by CI Arb for Associate and Member qualification and continuing membership.

4. Application Procedures

Any lawyer or other legal practitioner or corporate legal staff member can, in principle, participate in the specialization program. However, please keep in mind that all classes and final exams are conducted in English, and participation in class discussion and training exercises is taken into account in the evaluation of grades so a fairly high level of comprehensive English proficiency is required. For details on the application procedure, please check:

<http://www.ls.keio.ac.jp/cle/index.html>

Also, non-Japanese citizen must hold an adequate VISA in order to enroll in courses offered by Keio (Short-term VISA is not an adequate VISA).

The application guidelines, subject list, timetable, syllabus, class schedule, etc. for 2019 also are available on Keio University Law School website.