



UNIVERSITY  
OF WARSAW



# CENTER FOR AMERICAN LAW STUDIES

Faculty of Law and Administration  
University of Warsaw

*We the People*  
insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence  
and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution


2020/21 PROGRAM IN AMERICAN LAW



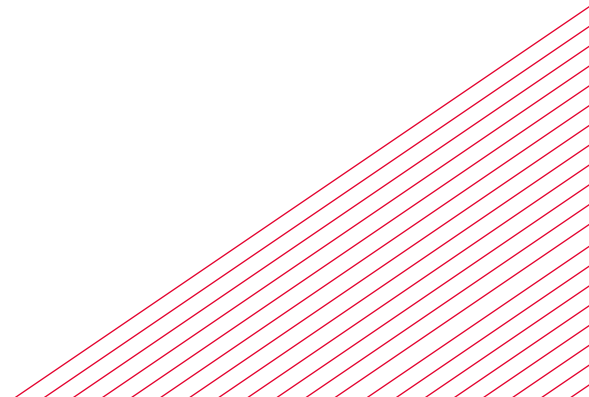
# ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Center for American Law Studies at the Faculty of Law and Administration of the University of Warsaw was established twenty-two years ago and is highly valued and recognized by its participants and by law firms. Thus far over 2000 students have graduated from the program of the Center and many of them have continued their studies in the United States in various LL.M programs. In 2016 the Center, after a long period of cooperation with the University of Florida, it was sponsored by two prestigious partner Universities from Atlanta – Emory School of Law and Georgia State University College of Law.

During the two semester program, students take part in nine two to three week modules with a total of 180 hours of interactive lectures in English. All lectures in the program are taught by distinguished law professors from Emory Law School and GSU College of Law.



Participation in the CPA program is a unique opportunity to learn about the American legal system, gain analytical skills and to improve legal language.





## COVID-19

Due to COVID-19, all lectures in the winter semester (October 2020 – January 2021) will be taught online. If we come back the live (in person) form of classes in the summer semester (end of February – June) all courses will be also continued on line in order to accommodate those participants from outside Warsaw who sign up for the program.

The year long program on-line will provide an unprecedented opportunity to participate in lectures conducted by the US professors without leaving your home or office.

## WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

The Center for American Law Studies is designed for law students of the third, fourth and fifth year of the University of Warsaw and other universities in Poland and abroad, as well as for attorneys, legal counselors, judges, notaries and legal trainees. It is also open to the students and graduates of other disciplines who have a basic knowledge of the Polish or foreign legal systems and have an interest in American law and legal culture.





# CLASS SCHEDULE

During the academic year 2020-21 the Center will offer nine courses. The courses are specially designed and selected to give students a better understanding of the common law system and unique issues of American legal system. The following courses will be taught in the Center in 2020-21 academic year:

Introduction to American Law, Constitutional Law, Torts, Contracts, Business Organization, Criminal Law and Procedure, Role of Lawyers in the US Legal System, Legal Writing. The topics of modules may change due to unexpected events connected to COVID-19. Each module will last 2-3 weeks and include lectures of Emory or GSU professors. The classes may also include team work and individual assignments. The classes will generally be held at 4:45 pm 3-5 days a week within two to three weeks modules. The exact schedule for the entire winter semester will be posted before the beginning of classes. **The first class in the program with professor Koster from Emory School of Law and will be held on Monday, October 12 at 4:45 pm.** Before each module participants will receive materials for the class in an electronic version as well as link to connect to class. Each module will conclude with a written examination. After successful completion of the one-year course of study, students will receive 16 ECTS and all participants will be awarded a certificate of completion issued by the three partner universities.

## ACADEMIC YEAR 2020/21

**OCTOBER:** Introduction to US Law,  
Professor Paul Koster (Emory)

**NOVEMBER:** Constitutional Law,  
Professor Julie Seaman (Emory)

**DECEMBER:** Contracts,  
Professor Kamina Pinder (Emory)

**JANUARY:** Property Law  
Professor Ted Afield (GSU)

**FEBRUARY/MARCH:**  
Role of Lawyers in the US System  
Professor Tameka Lester (GSU)

**MARCH:** Torts  
Professor Kelly Timmons (GSU)

**APRIL:** Criminal Procedure and Law  
Russel Covey (GSU)

**MAY:** Legal Writing  
Professor Margareth Vath (GSU)

**MAY/JUNE:** Business Organizations,  
Professor George Shepherd (Emory)

# RECRUITMENT

All applicants should timely submit the following documents:

- » a completed application form together with a recent photo
- » <http://www.cpa.uw.edu.pl/index.php/admission/application-form>
- » a cover letter addressed to the director of the program with an explanation of the applicant's interest in participating in the program and career goals;
- » a curriculum vitae
- » a transcript of grades from previous years of study (students) or scan of the diploma (graduates)

## LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

All applicants are encouraged to submit any evidence of their proficiency in English such as: copy of a diploma from a foreign school in an English-speaking country, copy of a diploma from schools specializing in English language, or copy of the results of any English proficiency exam (for example: FCE, TOEFL). The lack of such evidence will not exclude an applicant from participation in the program. We may contact some applicants by phone to evaluate their proficiency in English.

## DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF THE DOCUMENTS

All required documents shall be submitted by e-mail to:  
[cpa@wpia.uw.edu.pl](mailto:cpa@wpia.uw.edu.pl)  
on or before September 30, 2020.

Application forms as well as other information about the Center and admission to the Center are available at the web page of the Center: [www.cpa.uw.edu.pl](http://www.cpa.uw.edu.pl)

# TUITION

The amount of tuition for the one year program:

Students – 3.000 PLN

Graduates generally – 6.000 PLN

Legal trainees (aplikanci) – with a special discount of 30% - 4.200 PLN

Attorneys, legal counselors, judges, notaries – with a special discount of 15% – 5.100 PLN

**Tuition shall be paid in full amount by October 5th, 2020.**

However students may request permission from the Director of the Center to pay the tuition in two equal installments – one by October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and second by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

To do so the students shall submit a short justification for the request to dr hab. Ewa Gmurzyńska at: [gmurzynska@wpia.uw.edu.pl](mailto:gmurzynska@wpia.uw.edu.pl)

**Please pay the tuition to:**

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with the note: „opłata za Centrum Prawa Amerykańskiego”

# CONTACT



For more information about the program, please contact us at the following e-mails:

- ✉ [cpa@wpia.uw.edu.pl](mailto:cpa@wpia.uw.edu.pl);
- ✉ [gmurzynska@wpia.uw.edu.pl](mailto:gmurzynska@wpia.uw.edu.pl).

Our office is situated at the Faculty of Law and Administration of the University of Warsaw in Collegium Iuridicum II at Lipowa 4 street, room 2.5,

☎ +48 22 5525920.

However due to COVID 19 hours of operation are limited.

*For me, the CPA program was the first step towards receiving an LL.M. in the United States and pass the New York State Bar Examination. Three years after graduating from CPA, I can honestly say that I was surprised how many times the knowledge gained during the program helped me to work in law firms, during my studies in the USA and during the preparation for the bar exam.*

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