Canada

The University of Birmingham is one of the most popular British universities for Canadian students choosing to study law overseas. We currently have over 80 Canadian students studying in the Law School and hope to build on these numbers in future years.

The LLB and LLB for Graduates programmes are extremely popular course with Canadian Students. England and Canada share a Common Law heritage and much of what you will learn is similar to what is taught on Canadian Law programmes. We have also introduced a module in Canadian Constitutional Law specifically for our Canadian cohort. After completing their LLB many of our graduates decide to continue on to an LLM programme within the school.

Canada Visit

The Law School visits Canada in March each year running information sessions across the country. Full details of the 2015 trip will be posted here when they are available.

When you're reading through your text-books you often see your lecturer's name in the footnotes and that is an exciting part of studying here *(Jessica-Leigh Knowles, LLB for Graduates)*

Accreditation in Canada

Canadian students taking the LLB programmes will be required to sit a number of challenge exams when returning to Canada in order to fulfil the requirements set out by the Federation of Canadian Law Societies National Committee on Accreditation (NCA).

Most Canadian students from Birmingham choose to prepare for their challenge examinations through self-study where the NCA provide a syllabus and students study at home. Tests take place four times each year, in January, May, August and October, and are marked as pass/fail. Most students will complete their challenge exams within 6 months to a year after returning to Canada.

- Students completing the LLB for Graduates with a 2:2 or above (equivalent to a C in Canada) in all modules generally have to sit 7 challenge exams
- Graduate students completing the 3-year LLB programme with a 2:2 or above (equivalent to a C in Canada) in all modules generally have to sit 5 challenge exams. Students taking the 3-year LLB stright from high school will also have additional challenge exams set by the NCA.

Full details of the requirements can be found through the **NCA's policy and guidelines (http://www.flsc.ca/_documents/NCAPoliciesRevSept2012EN.pdf)** .

"Birmingham has played a wonderful part in the development of my legal career here in Canada, and I am sure it will do the same for future students." *(S.K. Canadian Law Graduate)*

Canadian Law Society

Canadian students within the Law School have set up their own society organising events throughout the year. Interested students can contact the group through their **facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/groups/224882940901035/)** .

Ice Hockey team

The University has an Ice Hockey Team - The Birmingham Lions, which boasts two teams both playing in British Universities leagues. You can find out more about the club through the links below

- **Birmingham Lions website (http://www.birminghameagles.co.uk)**
- **Facebook page (http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=2233002890)**

Student profiles

We asked some of our Canadian students to tell us about their experiences at Birmingham, to view their comments please follow the links below.

- **Jessica-Leigh Knowles (/schools/law/courses/llb/profiles/profile-knowles.aspx)**
- **Kiran Grewal (/schools/law/courses/llb/profiles/profile-grewal.aspx)**
- **Ravi Patel (/schools/law/courses/llb/profiles/profile-patel.aspx)**

Entrance requirements

Undergraduate programmes

- 85% average in grade 12 across a minimum of 6 subject areas alongside satisfactory performance in the LNAT.
- If there is no test centre within a reasonable distance we can offer an exemption from the LNAT. Please contact us at **Law-LLB@bham.ac.uk (mailto:Law-LLB@bham.ac.uk)** to request an exemption.

Postgraduate programmes (LLM)

- Average of a B+ in an LLB programme, we will also consider applicants who have achieved a B average or GPA of 3.0/4.

Graduate-entry programmes

- B+ average in any degree subject, this generally equates **o (http://www.canadalawfromabroad.com/canadalawfromabroad/LLB_JD_Accreditation.html)** to a 3.2/4 GPA and we are willing to consider applicants from students with a B average or GPA of 3.0/4.

Scholarships

We offer a range of school specific scholarships each year. For details please click on the appropriate link below.

- **Undergraduate/graduate-entry scholarships (/schools/law/courses/llb/scholarships.aspx)**
- **Postgraduate scholarships (/schools/law/courses/llm/scholarships.aspx)**

Further information

- **International Office pages on Canada (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/International/students/country/Canada/index.aspx)**
- **Federation of Law Societies of Canada (http://www.flsc.ca/)**
- **Canadian Bar Association (http://www.cba.org/cba/home.asp)**
- **Canadian Information Centre for International Credentials (http://www.cicic.ca/indexe.stm)**
- **Birmingham's Canadian Agent John G Kelly (http://www.canadalawfromabroad.com/)**

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