



KAZAKH LEGAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM – 2023-2024

INTRODUCTION TO U.S. LEGAL SYSTEMS

AUGUST 14, 2023 – MAY 10, 2024
AT PENN STATE DICKINSON LAW



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Welcome to Penn State University! As a public research institution in the top 1% of universities worldwide, Penn State was founded with a mission of high-quality teaching, expert research and global service.

Penn State Dickinson Law is the oldest law school in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and one of the oldest in the United States. For 187 years, Dickinson Law has produced some of the world's finest attorneys, judges, government and corporate leaders, and legal educators.

Ranked among the nation's leading law schools, Dickinson Law offers a state-of-the-art campus equipped with sophisticated technology for real-time communication with the legal community around the world.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Launching in August 2023, Penn State Dickinson Law will be offering the Kazakh Legal Scholars Program. This one-year (August to May), non-degree program is designed to provide practicing Kazakh attorneys with a foundation in the American legal system. Participants will audit an array of advanced courses in specialized areas of law and conduct a capstone research project with a Dickinson Law faculty mentor.

Participants will also have the opportunity to engage the U.S. legal community through campus events, participation in student organizations, and related community engagement initiatives. In particular, a short visit to Washington, D.C. will be arranged for participants to visit important federal institutions such as the U.S. Capitol, the U.S. Supreme Court, and the National Archives.

The Kazakh Legal Scholars Program provides an ideal opportunity for those who seek opportunities to advance their legal careers by developing a high-level understanding of the U.S. legal system at one of the world's top law schools.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

To be considered for the Kazakh Legal Scholars Program an applicant must have a first law degree (J.D., LL.B. or the equivalent) from an accredited or recognized institution of higher education in Kazakhstan or another country. Applicants must also be nominated by a Kazakh institution. Applicants generally present TOEFL scores exceeding 88 points or IELTS scores exceeding 6.5 points.

Nominations and applications are due by March 15, 2023.