

Survey Results:

*Pacific McGeorge
Global Center for Business and Development
and
The American Society of International Law*

**Survey
Regarding Assessment of Student
Outcomes from International Programs
2008-2009**



QUESTIONS

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?
2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?
3. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?
4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?
5. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you captured data indicating the extent to which those outcomes are achieved?
6. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?
7. Do you have any comments/recommendations regarding efforts toward 'globalizing' legal education that you would like to share with your colleagues at our AALS breakfast this January in San Diego?
8. Do you have questions you would like considered?

RESPONSES

Boston University School of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

Don't know.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

Yes.

5. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you captured data indicating the extent to which those outcomes are achieved?

No.

California Western School of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes, we have study abroad programs and international internships.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

No.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

Yes, improved problem-solving skills.

5. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you captured data indicating the extent to which those outcomes are achieved?

No.

Cornell University Law School

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

Yes.

3. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?

Yes, our data comes from students, not graduates, so its focus is on the particulars of the study abroad experience from a student perspective.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

No.

Florida Coastal School of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

Don't know.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

Yes, exams and feedback of students in externships.

5. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you captured data indicating the extent to which those outcomes are achieved?

No.

The John Marshall Law School

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

No.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

Don't know.

8. Do you have questions you would like considered?

When there is economic pressure on all institutions of higher learning to discontinue or cut back on international education, only those institutions that recognize the value of international education will continue those programs as an investment in their students and faculty.

Lewis & Clark Law School

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

Yes.

3. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?

Yes, I would be willing to share some aspects of the data, but not responses that evaluate specific faculty.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

No.

Louisiana State University, Paul M. Hebert Law Center

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes, a very successful summer program in Lyon, France.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

Yes, enthusiastically positive reaction from students after each session.

3. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?

No.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

Faculty is considering testing thereof.

7. Do you have any comments/recommendations regarding efforts toward 'globalizing' legal education that you would like to share with your colleagues at our AALS breakfast this January in San Diego?

To give a precise meaning to the much used and misused term "globalization".

Mississippi College School of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes, we began a summer study abroad program in Seoul, Korea.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

No.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

Don't know.

Northeastern University School of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes, some students participate in study abroad programs at other institutions. Many participate in our "co-operative legal education" program abroad.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

Yes, our co-op office collects information on all student co-op experiences.

3. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?

No, the information is confidential.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

No.

7. Do you have any comments/recommendations regarding efforts toward 'globalizing' legal education that you would like to share with your colleagues at our AALS breakfast this January in San Diego?

Would like more information on impact assessment regarding globalizing curriculum. We would also like more information about which courses most schools consider a "core" part of the global curriculum.

Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad Law Center

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes, we have an exchange program with a University in Spain, and other programs with Italy and Prague.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

No.

7. Do you have any comments/recommendations regarding efforts toward 'globalizing' legal education that you would like to share with your colleagues at our AALS breakfast this January in San Diego?

The American host institutions should find ways to accommodate the special needs of the foreign students--for example, grant to them extended time to take exams and/or allow them to use an English dictionary and so on. I also think initiating them into the American legal system with a mandatory introductory course would be helpful. Having said that, my 2 exchange students (from civil law countries) surprisingly booked my contracts class.

Seattle University School of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes, approximately 60 to 80 of our students participate in a summer abroad program each year. We also have two of our own programs.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

Yes.

3. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?

Yes.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

No, we have not, as far as I know, tried to track outcomes with respect to international law.

Southern Illinois University School of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

No.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

No.

The University of Texas School of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes, fall abroad in London and individually arranged study.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

Yes.

3. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?

No.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

No.

University of Missouri - Kansas City, School of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

Yes.

3. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?

Yes.

University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

No.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

Yes.

5. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you captured data indicating the extent to which those outcomes are achieved?

No.

University of Tulsa, College of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

Yes, student and program evaluations in the courses taught in our study abroad programs, and informal communications with alums of the programs.

3. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?

Yes, willing to share anecdotes, but we don't have statistical data to share.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

Engagement of our students in international legal work and volunteer opportunities are concrete evidence of increased student interest and capability.

5. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you captured data indicating the extent to which those outcomes are achieved?

No, we have not done a quantitative study. We only have grades in the actual courses and course and program evaluations.

6. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?

No.

8. Do you have questions you would like considered?

Eager to see if some schools have developed measurement instruments beyond course exams and evaluations, and program evaluations.

Villanova University School of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

No.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

No.

7. Do you have any comments/recommendations regarding efforts toward 'globalizing' legal education that you would like to share with your colleagues at our AALS breakfast this January in San Diego?

The use of movies in the teaching of comparative law.

William Mitchell College of Law

1. Do students from your law school participate in any program of legal study outside of the United States, or does your school conduct any program of legal study outside of the United States?

Yes.

2. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you gathered any data (from student survey responses or otherwise) regarding the impact of the experience upon the student participants?

No.

3. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?

Yes.

4. Assuming your law school offers some courses in which students are exposed to international, transnational or comparative law, are there any identifiable testable outcomes indicating increased student knowledge and capability achieved thereby?

No.

5. If you responded YES to the preceding question, have you captured data indicating the extent to which those outcomes are achieved?

No.

6. Would you be willing to share this data with other institutions?

Yes.