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An aerial photograph of the University of Georgia campus serves as the background. In the foreground on the left, a large, ornate stone column is visible. A wide, light-colored path leads from the bottom left towards the center. To the right of the path, there is a green lawn where several people are walking or sitting. The background is filled with dense green trees. A large red banner with white text is positioned at the top of the image.

Welcome to the University of Georgia

THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA LL.M. PROGRAM offers graduates of foreign law schools the opportunity to learn U.S. law at one of the nation's most highly regarded law schools. The LL.M. degree is awarded upon the successful completion of 24 hours of course credit, typically lasting one academic year.

UGA's LL.M. Program is unique because of the flexible approach it offers. Each LL.M. student crafts his or her own individualized program of study by selecting from the wide range of courses offered at the law school. LL.M. students are required to take one special course on legal research and writing in U.S. law; for all other courses, LL.M. students select from the same classes available to J.D. students. With more than 100 courses covering all areas of U.S. law to choose from every year, each LL.M. student has the opportunity to fashion a combination of classes that suits his or her individual needs and interests. LL.M. program participants have the option to complete a 60 to 90 page scholarly paper under the supervision of a full-time member of the accomplished faculty for six hours of course credit.

No matter what areas of U.S. law interest you, you will find an opportunity to expand your knowledge in the University of Georgia LL.M. program!

Georgia Law at a Glance

At the University of Georgia's distinguished School of Law, rich history and tradition converge with diversity and innovation. Here, students engage with peers and faculty, and they explore the charm of Athens, Georgia, and the vast resources of the university. They are challenged. They grow. The future begins here.

699 *total enrollment*

POPULATION

120,000

Athens population

35,000

UGA total student population

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

2,433

international students at UGA

FROM OVER

120

nations around the world

*graduates of Georgia Law
practice in nearly every state
and more than **39** countries*

*The UGA campus is one of
the **largest** in the U.S.*

*Georgia Law is consistently regarded as one of the
best law schools in the country.*

Faculty Highlights

While some law schools choose to emphasize either scholarship or teaching, the Georgia Law faculty seeks to balance the two, firmly believing that classroom teaching is enhanced by scholarly expertise. The addition of a significant number of new faculty members bolsters our dynamic community of learning and increases the depth of our curriculum. Most professors maintain an open door policy; they are available to answer students' questions about academic matters or to offer career advice and guidance.

Experience faculty in the classroom at
www.law.uga.edu/videos.

The Georgia Law faculty includes:

Former judicial clerks for the U.S. Supreme Court and other federal courts

Authors of leading legal scholarship

Fulbright scholars

Experienced trial and corporate attorneys

Advisers to U.S. senators and representatives

Consultants to foreign governments and international policymaking bodies

For a full list of faculty, visit:

www.law.uga.edu/faculty-profiles.



"The law school has been fortunate to attract a remarkably talented, dedicated and genuinely caring group of faculty. They are wonderful teachers, respected scholars and excellent role models for our students."

Lonnie T. Brown Jr., Associate Dean and A. Gus Cleveland Distinguished Chair of Legal Ethics and Professionalism

DIANE MARIE AMANN / *Emily and Ernest Woodruff Chair in International Law; B.S., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; M.A., University of California Los Angeles; J.D., Northwestern University; Dr.h.c., Universiteit Utrecht.*

Courses: International Criminal Law, Laws of War, Public International Law.

Currently serving as the International Criminal Court prosecutor's special adviser on children in armed conflict, Diane Marie Amann is the author of more than four dozen publications in English, French and Italian. Her scholarship focuses on the ways that national, regional and international legal regimes interact as they endeavor to combat atrocity and cross-border crime. Prior to joining the Georgia Law faculty in 2011, she was a professor of law and the founding director of the California International Law Center at the University of California, Davis.

DAN T. COENEN / *University Professor and Harmon W. Caldwell Chair in Constitutional Law; B.S., University of Wisconsin; J.D., Cornell University.*

Courses: Contracts and Sales, Constitutional Law.

Award-winning professor and constitutional law scholar Dan T. Coenen is the author of *The Story of The Federalist: How Hamilton and Madison Reconceived America* and *Constitutional Law: The Commerce Clause*. He joined the law school faculty in 1978, and he has been recognized on numerous occasions on both the university and law school levels for his teaching skills. A former U.S. Supreme Court judicial clerk for Justice Harry A. Blackmun, he also clerked for Chief Judge Clement F. Haynsworth Jr. of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit and served as editor-in-chief of the *Cornell Law Review*.

WALTER HELLERSTEIN / *Distinguished Research Professor & Francis Shackelford Distinguished Professor in Taxation Law; A.B., Harvard University; J.D., University of Chicago.*

Courses: Federal Income Taxation, State and Local Taxation, U.S. Taxation of International Transactions, State and Local Taxation Seminar.

Widely regarded as the nation's leading academic authority on state and local taxation law, Walter Hellerstein has been deeply involved in international cross-border tax issues in recent years. He joined the Georgia Law faculty in 1978 and has consulted with the United Nations and the World Trade Organization on e-commerce issues, and he currently serves as an academic adviser to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development on cross-border consumption taxation. He is the co-author of the leading treatise *State Taxation* and the leading casebook *State and Local Taxation*.

PETER B. "BO" RUTLEDGE / *Associate Dean for Faculty Development; Herman E. Talmadge Chair of Law; B.A., Harvard University; M.Litt., University of Aberdeen; J.D., University of Chicago.*

Courses: Civil Procedure, International Litigation, International Arbitration, International Business Transactions.

An award-winning teacher and former Fulbright scholar, Peter B. "Bo" Rutledge is one of the nation's leading authorities on arbitration law and international dispute resolution. He is the author of *Arbitration and the Constitution* and co-author of *International Civil Litigation in United States*. In recent years, Rutledge has appeared as an invited speaker at the University of Oxford, the University of Cambridge, the University of Mainz, Jagiellonian University, Stockholm University, the University of Oslo and the London School of Economics and Political Science.

LL.M. Curriculum

The LL.M. degree is awarded upon successful completion of 24 hours of course credit. The University of Georgia LL.M. program is full-time and typically completed in one academic year. Of those 24 credit hours, there are three required courses comprising nine credit hours for all LL.M. students: Legal Research and Writing for LL.M. Students, Law and the Ethics of Lawyering, and either Constitutional Law I or Civil Procedure I.

With the exception of Legal Research and Writing for LL.M. Students, all LL.M. program participants enroll in the same classes available to J.D. students.

LL.M. students for whom English is a second language will normally be given 50% extra time on all timed examinations. Additionally, such students will be permitted to use an English translation dictionary during examinations.

For a full list of courses, visit www.law.uga.edu/course-offerings.

1. ALL COURSES TRACK

Requirements - (9 hours)

Legal Research and Writing for LL.M. students (3 hours)

Constitutional Law I or Civil Procedure I (3 hours)

Law and the Ethics of Lawyering (3 hours)

Electives - (15 hours)

Students may choose courses in their area of interest to satisfy the additional 15 credit hour requirement.

2. ESSAY TRACK

Requirements (15 hours)

Legal Research and Writing for LL.M. students (3 hours)

Constitutional Law I or Civil Procedure I (3 hours)

Law and the Ethics of Lawyering (3 hours)

*A 60-90 page essay supervised by a full-time member of the law faculty (6 hours)

Electives - (9 hours)

Students may choose courses in their area of interest to satisfy the additional 9 credit hour requirement.

**The essay track is designed for students who plan to go into academia. It is the student's responsibility to select an approved topic and a member of the law faculty to supervise the essay.*

“The LL.M. Program at UGA taught me to think like an American lawyer and **expanded my international opportunities.**”

*Hadong Yang, LL.M. Class of 2012
Schindler China*

“The essay track of the LL.M program **prepares students for quality legal research** in their field of law.”

*Pramod Kumar Rai, LL.M. Class of 2004
Managing Partner, Athena Law Associates
Dwarka, New Delhi*



Facilities

THE ALEXANDER CAMPBELL KING LAW LIBRARY provides resources and expertise to support the instructional mission of Georgia Law and the scholarly research of the faculty. It is also a bright and popular spot for law students to study and prepare for class.

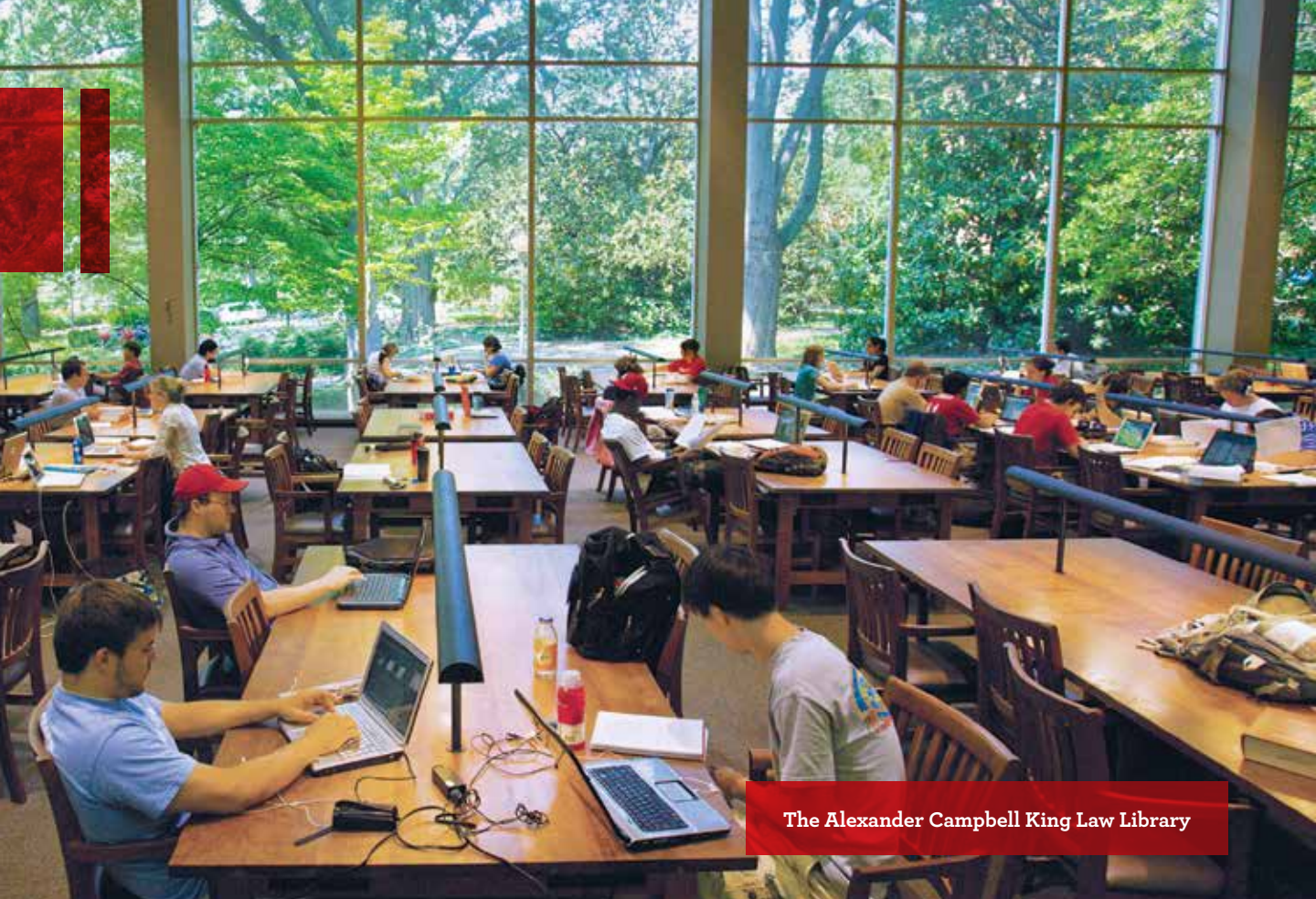
THE SUTHERLAND COURTYARD, a highlight of the law school's multimillion dollar renovation, is an ideal space for students and faculty to interact.

THE RAMSEY STUDENT CENTER FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES offers amenities ranging from racquetball, weight training, swimming and basketball to rock climbing and indoor soccer.

THE UNIVERSITY HEALTH CENTER is a state-of-the-art outpatient facility designed to meet the health care needs of University of Georgia Students.

THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA'S FAMILY AND GRADUATE HOUSING facilities are designed to provide convenient and comfortable living at a minimal cost. Nearly 1,300 graduate students and their families live in one- and two-bedroom apartments in one of three on-campus communities.

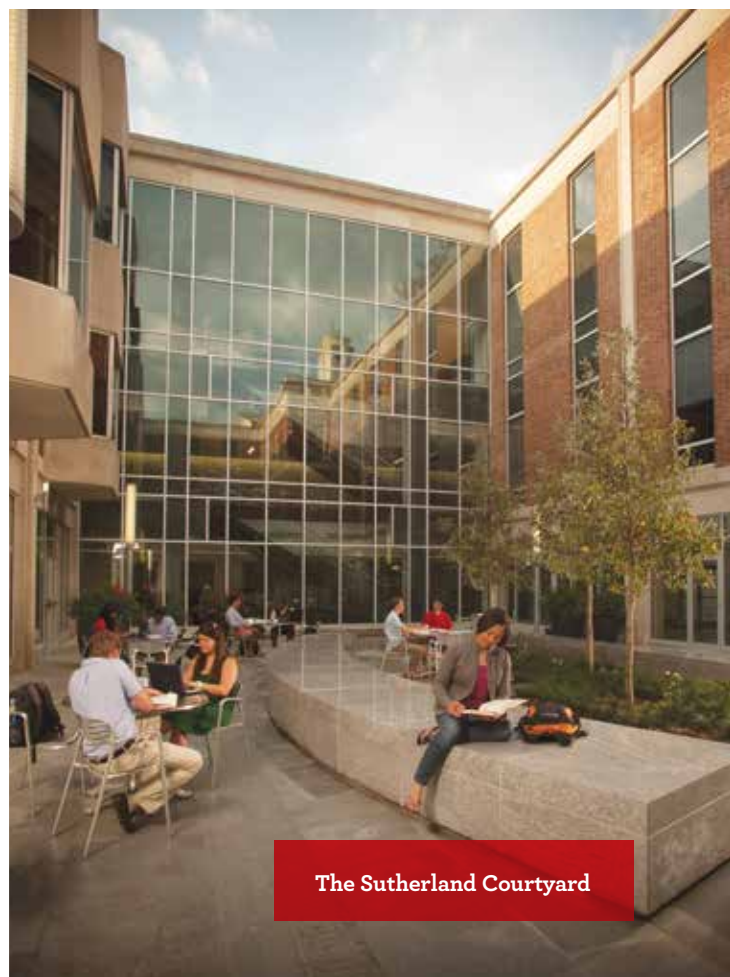




The Alexander Campbell King Law Library



The Ramsey Center



The Sutherland Courtyard



Career Services & Professional Development

*Employers recognize the superior quality of the academic program and student body at Georgia Law. As a result, **our graduates have an outstanding record of success in the job market.***

The Office of Legal Career Services offers individualized attention to every student. Counselors assist with every facet of a student's job search including analyzing job search strategies, reviewing job search documents, and preparing students for interviews. Career services also include interview programs, practice area and professional development seminars, alumni mentoring programs, mock interviews and job listings. Staff members specialize in preparing our students for employment. Whether you seek employment in the U.S. or outside of it, the Office of Legal Career Services will help you reach your employment goals.

LL.M. students at the University of Georgia have the opportunity to participate in the International Student Interview Program (ISIP) each year. ISIP is hosted annually by New York University School of Law. This consortium event is sponsored by 32 law schools nationwide to facilitate the hiring of highly qualified foreign-trained lawyers enrolled in LL.M. programs at each school. More than 1,400 candidates representing 75+ countries will have an opportunity to be considered for internship and permanent positions in the United States and abroad.

The Office of Student Professional Development provides students with informational programs about practice settings and specialties, mock interviews and mentor programs that support their career development.

In addition to the services provided by the Office of Legal Career Services and the Office of Student Professional Development, the University of Georgia LL.M. program boasts an active LL.M. Alumni Association. The UGA LL.M. Alumni Association is not only a very active network of graduates of the UGA LL.M. program, but continues to support international studies at the UGA School of Law. It offers internships as well as job opportunities worldwide for J.D. and LL.M. students.



International Scholarship

DEAN RUSK CENTER

The Dean Rusk Center for International Law and Policy serves as the command center for the international activities of the University of Georgia School of Law. The evolving international dimensions of the profession led to the establishment of the center in 1977 to expand the scope of global research, teaching and service at the Georgia Law into the evolving international dimensions of the profession.

For more information about the Dean Rusk Center's active role in the global arena visit www.law.uga.edu/about-rusk-center.

“Coming from practicing law at the Department of State, I was drawn to Georgia Law’s wonderful support for international legal scholarship. **The law school and the Dean Rusk Center in particular enjoy a reputation as one of the best places in the country to study,** debate and teach international legal issues.”

Timothy L. Meyer, Assistant Professor of Law

Georgia Law is at the forefront of the globalization movement in higher education with a wealth of opportunities for international experiences. During their studies at Georgia Law, students learn about emerging legal issues in the context of a rapidly advancing global society.

International offerings include:

a broad international curriculum

faculty recognized for their work and research in international and comparative law

one of the largest foreign law library collections in the Southeast U.S.

a respected international journal

an active international student organization

an International Law Colloquium Series bringing international law scholars to Athens

a host of conferences and projects on global outreach and trade

an engaged and supportive intercontinental alumni network



Athens, Georgia: The Classic City

Athens, Georgia is the ideal place to be a student. As one of America's premier college towns, it has much to offer and is the perfect marriage of campus and community. Broad Street in downtown Athens is all that separates the University of Georgia's historic North Campus from a vibrant downtown community filled with spectacular restaurants, coffee shops, local stores, numerous festivals, a well-rounded music scene and eclectic and affordable housing.

Athens combines southern charm and great weather with a progressive atmosphere and a rich art, music and intellectual culture which has earned it the title of "Best College Music Town" by Rolling Stone magazine.

Atlanta, the state's capital city, is only 90 minutes away from the UGA campus, allowing easy access to thrilling attractions, world-class sports, premier artistic venues and the best shopping in the South. Atlanta's airport has a 40-gate international air travel gateway with service to nearly 80 international destinations in more than 50 countries.

The University of Georgia is the home of one of the top collegiate athletic programs in the nation. Famous Sanford Stadium, in the heart of campus, is where more than 92,000 fans gather to watch the Georgia Bulldogs play football during the fall. Students can also watch some of the nation's best athletes compete in basketball, gymnastics, swimming & diving, tennis, and more than a half dozen other sports throughout the year.

ATHENS IS A GREAT VALUE

The cost of living in Athens is remarkably affordable when compared with other U.S. cities and is one of the reasons the UGA School of Law is considered one of the best values in the U.S.

SCHEDULE A VISIT

See what Georgia Law has to offer. Contact the Admissions Office at (706) 542-7060 to schedule a law school tour and first-year class visit. Information about travel accommodations is available on our website at www.law.uga.edu/visit-georgia-law.

TAKE OUR VIRTUAL TOUR

Can't make it to Athens? Participate in an online tour at www.law.uga.edu/georgia-law-virtual-tour. Our interactive map includes photos, videos and 360° views.

For more information about housing, dining and things to do in Athens, please visit: www.law.uga.edu/around-athens.



How to Apply

Please see the insert in the back pocket for current application timelines and tuition rates.

Graduates of foreign law schools who wish to apply for the LL.M. Program must hold a degree equivalent to the Juris Doctor from a recognized law school and must have fulfilled the educational requirements for admission to the practice of law in a country other than the United States.

Furthermore, applicants must possess proficiency in English as demonstrated by the Test of English as

a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). LL.M. applicants need to score at least 90 on the Internet-based test of the TOEFL or 6.5 on the IELTS to be competitive for admission to the program. The TOEFL/IELTS requirement may be waived for those applicants who have received a degree from a university whose language of instruction is English.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE To apply for the LL.M. program, please visit the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) website at www.lsac.org/llm. As part of your online application you will be required to submit the following documents directly to the LSAC:

Application fee: \$100 for international applicants, \$75 for domestic applicants.

Official transcripts and proof of degree with appropriate translations.

Official TOEFL or IELTS score.

Resume or curriculum vitae.

Program of Study Form.

Financial Assistance Request Form.

Two (2) letters of recommendation.

An essay of approximately 500 words that indicates why you wish to attend the LL.M. program at UGA and which course of study you intend to pursue.

For additional information regarding these requirements, please contact intlgrad@uga.edu.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

Students should investigate sources of financial assistance in their own countries and should make timely application for such aid. U.S. citizens and permanent residents may apply for Federal Student Aid through the U.S. Department of Education.

Scholarships, in the form of student assistantships and out-of-state tuition waivers, are available to a limited number of LL.M. candidates who demonstrate requisite financial need and outstanding merit. Those applicants who apply before the priority application deadline will be given preference in scholarship award decisions.

Helpful links

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

UGA Law LL.M. page:

www.law.uga.edu/LLM

UGA Law main page:

www.law.uga.edu

UGA International Student, Scholar and Immigration Services (ISSIS):

international.uga.edu/issis/

UGA International Student Life:

isl.uga.edu

UGA Family and Graduate Housing:

housing.uga.edu/family-graduate

NEW YORK BAR EXAM

The New York State Board of Law Examiners:

www.nybarexam.org

Information for foreign-trained lawyers:

[www.nybarexam.org/Foreign/ForeignLegalEducation.
htm](http://www.nybarexam.org/Foreign/ForeignLegalEducation.htm)

ATHENS, GEORGIA

Visitor Information:

www.visitathensga.com

Athens-Clarke County Government:

athensclarkecounty.com

Flagpole Magazine (a weekly publication covering local Athens news, music and events):

www.flagpole.com

LAW SCHOOL ADMISSIONS COUNCIL (LSAC)

LL.M. Main Page:

www.lsac.org/llm/default.asp

Guide to LL.M. and Graduate Programs:

www.lsac.org/llm/choose/llm-program-guide.asp

LL.M. Application Checklist:

www.lsac.org/llm/applying/llm-checklist.asp



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APPLICATION DATES & DEADLINES

All applicants should apply through the Law School Admissions Council (LSAC) website. To begin the LL.M. application process, visit www.lsac.org/llm.

August 1, 2013: Georgia Law LL.M. Program Application available on LSAC website.

February 1, 2014: Application deadline for priority consideration for scholarships.

March 1, 2014: Final application deadline.

TUITION AND EXPENSES

Estimated Cost of Attendance (2013-2014)

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Non-Resident Tuition and Fees: | \$38,172 |
| Health Insurance: | \$1,381 - \$1,782 |
| Books and supplies: | \$1,500 |
| Living expenses: | \$10,000 |
| Total: | \$51,053 - \$51,454 |

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|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Resident Tuition and Fees: | \$18,151 |
| Health Insurance: | \$1,381 - \$1,782 |
| Books and supplies: | \$1,500 |
| Living expenses: | \$10,000 |
| Total: | \$31,032 - \$31,433 |

Please note: these figures are for the current academic year. It is best to plan to have additional funding in the event that costs increase.