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Georgia Law is proud of its affiliation with the University of Georgia, one of the country’s leading research institutions, the first state-chartered university and the birthplace of the American system of public higher education.

The University of Georgia is at the forefront of the globalization movement in higher education with a wealth of opportunities for international experiences. Georgia Law shares this vision and is pleased to support an array of international initiatives for its students, faculty and alumni as well as the broader legal community, the University of Georgia, the state of Georgia, our nation and the world. These initiatives include:

• **Highly-qualified Faculty**, comprised of respected scholars who are leaders in their fields, producing some of the best-prepared legal minds for an increasingly global society.

• **Dean Rusk Center – International, Comparative and Graduate Legal Studies**, one of the premier international law centers in the United States, contributing to the exploration of regional and global issues of significance through teaching, research and scholarship.

• **Conferences and Symposia**, facilitating important discussion and the identification of legal issues affecting our world.

• **International Judicial Training Program**, aiding in the development and reform of foreign national judiciaries.

• **National Sea Grant Law Center Partnership**, researching international law developments as they affect coastal and marine resource management.

• **Louis B. Sohn Library on International Relations**, comprised primarily of monographs from the scholar’s private holdings, providing a marvelous resource for specialized research.

• **Georgia Journal of International and Comparative Law**, providing a forum for academic discussion on current global topics.

• **International Curriculum**, offering the opportunity to study a wide variety of legal subjects under the direction of outstanding faculty and visiting experts.

• **International Courtroom Experience**, giving students much needed global advocacy experience through participation in the prestigious Philip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition and other international exchanges.

• **Foreign Study and Work Abroad Initiatives**, granting opportunities for enriched classroom and employment experiences.

• **Master of Laws Program**, offering specialized coursework and research.

• **International Alumni Network**, serving as a valuable resource for those working on international matters or living abroad.

• **International Student Organizations**, offering social occasions to explore different cultures and global issues.
The Dean Rusk Center for International and Comparative Law was established in 1977 to expand the scope of research, teaching and service at Georgia Law into the evolving international dimensions of law. In 2000, it merged with the school’s International and Graduate Legal Studies program to capitalize on the combined strength of the two units. Today, the Rusk Center plays an active role in the international arena by hosting conferences and visiting scholars and by undertaking international research and outreach projects. Through these activities, the center seeks to provide a sound basis for policy judgments, to increase international understanding and to contribute to the solution of problems and issues of global significance.

The center’s impact is evident on a multitude of levels. At Georgia Law, it serves as a forum for the exchange of ideas and the development of international projects among students, faculty, staff practitioners and alumni. For the university, the Rusk Center works to expand the academic synergy between law and other disciplines. To aid the state of Georgia, the center seeks to be a complementary resource for collaboration on trade issues and their impact on the state and region as well as for promoting Georgia’s effective involvement in international trade and investment. At the national level, the unit collaborates with academic, professional and governmental legal institutions to promote the integration of parallel efforts in international and comparative law. And, on the global scale, the Rusk Center plays an active role in worldwide exchange and outreach. Collaboration with foreign universities, judiciaries and governments has bolstered institutional reform, capacity-building and legal scholarship on six continents.
“My objective is that the Dean Rusk Center avail its enormous potential to be recognized as a premier center for international law scholarship. The center has an effectual foundation of dynamic international law faculty, productive staff and enthusiastic law students with whom to work toward this goal.”

– C. Donald Johnson, interim director of the Dean Rusk Center

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A former U.S. congressman and ambassador, C. Donald Johnson brings to Georgia Law a distinguished career in both the public and private sectors. Most recently, Johnson was vice-chairman of Fleishman-Hillard Government Relations in Washington, D.C., where he specialized in international trade and investment, national security and foreign policy and assisted such clients as the government of Hong Kong with bilateral trade, human rights, constitutional reform and domestic security law issues. In 1998, he was nominated to the rank of ambassador by President Bill Clinton and for over two years served as chief textile negotiator and principal adviser to both the president and the U.S. trade representative on all textile and apparel trade matters. Among the significant negotiations concluded during Johnson’s tenure in office was the U.S.-Cambodia Textile Agreement, considered a landmark because it included for the first time labor provisions linked to trade benefits.

Dean Rusk, former Secretary of State and the person for whom the renowned international unit is named

The Dean Rusk Center was named after the late U.S. Secretary of State, who was a faculty member at Georgia Law for nearly a quarter of a century. Rusk was the chief steward of foreign policy during the heart of the Cold War, one of the most tumultuous eras in U.S. history. A tough and able negotiator, he guided with a steadfast hand the creation of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, the Outer Space Treaty, the East-West Trade Bill and the beginnings of the SALT talks. His greatest accomplishment, Rusk often said, was adding eight years to the period when no nuclear bomb was dropped. At UGA, he served as the Sibley Professor of International Law, where he taught international law and inspired generations of students and colleagues through his wisdom, experience and generous spirit.
For more than three decades, Georgia Law has organized a number of colloquia aimed at producing thought-provoking dialogue and scholarship relating to global issues. A few of the most recent include:

- **From Autocracy to Democracy: The Effort to Establish Market Democracies in Iraq and Afghanistan**, Spring 2004, focused on the legal, political, economic and security issues facing post-war Iraq and Afghanistan.

- **International Coastal Management: Tools for Successful Regional Partnerships and Initiatives**, Summer 2003, explored the effects of climate change and sea-level rise, sustainable fishing and other challenges of coastal management.


- **Conservation • Heritage • Law 2002** (in partnership with the International Council on Monuments and Sites), Spring 2002, examined the consequences of growth and sprawl on world cultural, historic and natural resources.

- **The Dean Rusk Lectures** (commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Dean Rusk Center), Fall 2002, delivered by international law and policy experts covering human rights, the work of the United Nations, the creation of a new Europe and the relations between the United States and Europe.

Several future conferences are being planned. Of special note is **Agriculture and the WTO – Subsidies in the Cross Hairs**, a conference on recent World Trade Organization negotiation developments and dispute cases organized for later this fall. For more details, please visit www.law.uga.edu.

**National Sea Grant Law Center Partnership**

Since 2002, Georgia Law has been a lead partner in the National Sea Grant Law Center, charged with integrating efforts of ocean and coastal law research centers nationwide and providing advisory services to policy makers and the legal community. As part of a five-university team, Georgia Law contributes research on international law developments affecting coastal and marine resource management.
Louis B. Sohn Library on International Relations

Established nearly a decade ago, the Louis B. Sohn Library on International Relations is a treasured asset of the Alexander Campbell King Law Library. Comprised primarily of selections from the eminent scholar’s private holdings, the collection reflects his involvement in the formation of the United Nations, work in law of the sea and interests in global peace, international relations and human rights. As such, the grouping of nearly 5,000 titles provides a marvelous resource for specialized research. These monographs complement Georgia Law’s already strong international law collection, which includes U.N. documents, foreign law and international law periodicals, and treaty series from various organizations. Additionally, the King Library is recognized as having one of the largest foreign collections in the Southeast and is designated as a Select Depository for the European Union, receiving official EU documents dealing with judicial, legislative and trade-related matters.

Louis B. Sohn, Woodruff Chair in International Law Emeritus

As counselor to the U.S. Department of State and a delegate to numerous international treaty and policymaking conventions over the years, Louis B. Sohn has a high profile reputation for his roles in international policy analysis and interpretation. He was legal officer to the United Nations Secretariat during its formative years in the early 1950s (original drafts of the U.N. charter can be found with his international collection at Georgia Law). He has written many books and articles on international organizations, disarmament and arms control, international tribunals, human rights, environment and the law of the sea. Sohn, Woodruff Chair in International Law Emeritus, served on the Georgia Law faculty for over a decade after teaching at Harvard University for 30 years. He is currently a distinguished research professor at George Washington University Law School.

GEORGIA JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW

Law students and faculty at the University of Georgia were among the first to realize the need to chronicle legal issues and developments on the global front. As such, in 1970, Georgia Law became the 14th school in the nation to publish an international law journal. Published three times a year, the Georgia Journal of International and Comparative Law is a student initiative that strives to be a preeminent forum for academic discussion on current and important global subjects.
International Judicial Training Program

A strong and independent judiciary is the foundation of a democratic nation’s stability. Reform that improves the quality and efficiency of judicial administration fosters an environment more conducive to internal and external investment, democratic processes, and social and economic stability. Programs that work to strengthen the judiciary are unique in their reach with impacts that subsequently are dispersed throughout society.

The International Judicial Training Program, administered in partnership with the Georgia Institute of Continuing Judicial Education, facilitates such reform by offering capacity-building judicial administration programs tailored to the individual needs of each participating country. Designed to introduce foreign judges and court personnel to the workings of the U.S. judicial system, topics cover court administration, judicial budgeting, caseload management, alternative dispute resolution, court technology, judicial ethics and professionalism.

Since 1998, more than 100 judges and court personnel from countries such as Brazil, the Czech Republic, Egypt and Ghana have benefitted from this program.

Developing Global Courtroom Skills

Georgia Law’s acclaimed moot court and mock trial program boasts a strong international focus with repeatedly strong showings in the Philip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition. This tournament, the largest of its kind, pits more than 1,500 students from approximately 50 nations against each other in oral arguments before a mock International Court of Justice. Since 1990, Georgia Law has enjoyed significant success at this international competition, finishing as quarterfinalists or above in the international tier seven times—including winning the world crown in 1990. Additionally, earlier this year, second-year student Sonali Garg was named Best Oralist of the international round.

Two other opportunities offering an enriched courtroom experience while promoting the ever-growing need for knowledge of other cultures and legal systems include Georgia Law’s biennial exchanges with Gray’s Inn of London, one of the British Inns of Court and a principal training ground for new barristers, and the Honorable Society of King’s Inn of Dublin, a society to which all members of the Irish bar and judiciary belong.
Foreign Study and Work Abroad Initiatives

Nothing helps one to better understand the culture of another country than actually living in a foreign land. At the University of Georgia, this concept is fully embraced. Currently, UGA ranks 10th among the nation’s top research institutions for the number of students studying abroad. Furthermore, Georgia is among the top three schools for the number of students who travel with short-term study initiatives. At Georgia Law, several opportunities for legal study and work experience in other parts of the globe are provided on an annual basis. They include:

London Law Consortium

Georgia Law belongs to the London Law Consortium, a group of seven U.S. law schools that supports an ABA-approved semester of study in England. Each spring, selected second- and third-year students take courses from British and American professors. Participants also may serve as externs in law offices in London.

Brussels Seminar on the Law and Institutions of the European Union

For more than three decades, Georgia Law has participated in the Brussels Seminar on the Law and Institutions of the European Union, a three-week intensive course on EU law held at the Institut d’Etudes Européennes of the Université Libre de Bruxelles. This course is taught by officials of the EU Commission and Council, judges of the European Community Court of Justice, leading practitioners of EU law and distinguished professors from European universities. Students attending this seminar are provided scholarships through Georgia Law’s Dean and Virginia Rusk Fund.

Rusk Center Support Programs for Law Students

Established in 2001, this initiative provides students with six weeks of study in a legal learning environment – law schools, court systems or organizations – in Latin America, sub-Saharan Africa, Europe and Asia.

Georgia Law at Oxford

In 1989, the University of Georgia began its study abroad program with the famed Oxford University and, in 1999, UGA purchased a three-story Victorian house in North Oxford to provide a year-round residential center to enhance the learning experience for participants. Georgia Law, in cooperation with The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, is planning to make use of this facility and begin offering a semester-long study program at Oxford in the spring of 2006.

International Summer Clerkship Program

Established in the early 1980s, the International Summer Clerkship Program provides selected first-year students with employment in prominent legal offices located in foreign countries. The length of the summer clerkship varies from five to 10 weeks and is scheduled during the summer months. Over the last few years, Georgia Law students have worked in Belgium, England, Germany, Italy and Tanzania.

EJF Scholarships

Each summer, several committed public interest law students gain practical experience through Equal Justice Foundation Fellowships. The awards, which are highly competitive, provide grants to law students who engage in public interest legal work in positions that otherwise would not be funded. More recently, EJF fellowship recipients have used their funds to gain international experience and aid foreign causes. Placements fitting this description include a position at the South Asian Human Rights Documentation Centre in India and a position at the Attorney General’s Office in Guyana.
International Scholars

At the core of every highly ranked law school, you will find a faculty composed of talented and dedicated professors. Georgia Law is no exception. Besides having a faculty that includes a Pulitzer Prize winner, Fulbright scholars, former U.S. Supreme Court and other federal court clerks, and former leading trial and corporate attorneys, our faculty includes several renowned international scholars.

Daniel M. Bodansky, Emily and Ernest Woodruff Chair in International Law
A.B., Harvard University; M. Phil., Cambridge University; J.D., Yale University. Courses offered: Public International Law, International Environmental Law, and Foreign Affairs and the Constitution. Internationally recognized as a leading authority on global climate change; former climate change coordinator and attorney-adviser at the U.S. Department of State; consultant to the United Nations in the areas of climate change and tobacco control; U.S.-nominated arbitrator under the Antarctic Environment Protocol.

Dorinda G. Dallmeyer, Associate Director of the Dean Rusk Center
B.S., University of Georgia; M.S., University of Georgia; J.D., University of Georgia. Courses offered: International Negotiations Seminar and Environmental Dispute Resolution. Editor of books on feminist analysis of international law, NAFTA, conflict resolution and the future of NATO, and the negotiation of maritime boundary disputes.

Maria Eugenia Giménez, Associate Director of the Dean Rusk Center
Abogado, University of Mendoza; LL.M., Vrije Universiteit Brussel; LL.M., University of Georgia. Co-director of Georgia Law’s International Judicial Training Program; Fulbright Scholar; Honorary Professor, Universidad del Salvador.

Kevin Jon Heller, Assistant Professor of Law

Walter Hellerstein, Francis Shackelford Distinguished Professor of Taxation Law

Fulbright Scholars

Since 1946, the Fulbright Scholar Program has provided faculty and professionals with an unparalleled opportunity to study and conduct research in other nations. In Georgia Law’s distinguished history, six members of its faculty have been awarded a prestigious Fulbright Scholarship – the most recent, Maria Eugenia Giménez, associate director of the Dean Rusk Center, was selected earlier this year. Other recipients of this honor include: current Georgia Law professors Milner S. Ball, Edward J. Larson and Gabriel M. Wilner, and former Georgia Law professors Thomas J. Schoenbaum (two-time recipient) and Maxine S. Thomas.
and Local Taxation Seminar. Nation’s leading academic authority on state and local taxation; consultant to the United Nations, the World Trade Organization and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development on e-commerce and other issues; author/coauthor of *Electronic Commerce and Multijurisdictional Taxation; State and Local Taxation; Teacher’s Manual to State and Local Taxation; State Taxation; State and Local Taxation of Natural Resources in the Federal System: Legal, Economic, and Political Perspectives and Financial Reporting by State and Local Government Units.*

Fredrick W. Huszagh, Professor of Law  

C. Donald Johnson, Interim Director of the Dean Rusk Center  
B.A., University of Georgia; J.D., University of Georgia; LL.M., London School of Economics; certificate in private and public international law from The Hague Academy of International Law. Former ambassador, chief textile negotiator and principal adviser to both the president and the U.S. trade representative on all textile and apparel trade matters; U.S. representative for the 10th district of Georgia; a delegate to the North Atlantic Assembly (NATO’s legislative body); Georgia state senator.

Peter J. Spiro, Dean and Virginia Rusk Professor of International Law  
B.A., Harvard University; J.D., University of Virginia. Courses offered: Immigration Law, Human Rights, Foreign Affairs and the Constitution, and International Trade. Ranked among the top 20 legal scholars entering the field since 1992 on the basis of citation frequency; former law clerk to U.S. Supreme Court Justice David H. Souter; former director for democracy on the staff of the National Security Council (a White House position); former attorney-adviser in the U.S. Department of State Office of the Legal Adviser; former resident associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Foreign Teaching Assignments and Conferences

At Georgia Law, opportunities for extensive study and research, as well as teaching in a foreign environment, are equally important for our faculty as they are for our students. Over the years, the law school has participated in a number of faculty exchange initiatives with a number of universities including: the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, the Universidad del Salvador (a four-year program funded by the U.S. Department of State), the Université Jean Moulin-Lyon 3 and the Vrije Universiteit Brussel. Also, a number of our faculty have served as professors or lecturers at a number of foreign institutions including: Duke-Geneva Institute in Transactional Law  
European Tax College  
The Hague Academy of International Law  
International Institute for Management Development  
Oxford University  
Università di Bologna  
Università di Ferrara  
Universität of Regensburg  
Université de Lyons  
Université Paris II (Panthéon-Assas)  
University of British Columbia  
University of Cape Town  
University of Edinburgh  
University of Glasgow  
University of Iceland  
University of the Netherlands Antilles  
University of Reading  

Additionally, Georgia Law’s faculty is sought after to present papers on their areas of specialty at various conferences held throughout the globe. Almost half of the school’s full-time faculty have spoken at a conference held outside of the United States.
Scholarship with an International Focus

At Georgia Law, our faculty prides itself on striking the very important balance between classroom teaching and scholarly pursuits. Our professors not only teach students how to think critically and to analyze complex issues, but they also question conventional thinking. Moreover, Georgia Law professors explore and develop the law governing our state, nation and world. Recent international works completed by our faculty cover:

- Accounting for non-governmental organizations
- Citizenship
- Climate change
- E-commerce
- Ethics for the marine environment
- Globalization
- Human rights
- International law and citizenship
- Legal history and a common law for Europe
- Political rights and dual nationality
- State tax treatment of foreign corporate partners
- The effects of military activity on the environment
- The European Commission’s report on company income taxation
- Transatlantic environmental relations
- Transformations of law

Alan Watson, Distinguished Research Professor & Ernest P. Rogers Chair of Law
M.A., LL.B., University of Glasgow; B.A. (by decree), M.A., D.Phil., D.C.L., Oxford University; LL.D., LL.D. honoris causa, University of Edinburgh; LL.D. honoris causa, University of Glasgow; LL.D. honoris causa, University of Pretoria; Dr. Pol. Science honoris causa, University of Palermo; Dr. of the University, University of Belgrade. Courses offered: Comparative Law, Legal History, Law in the Gospels, Evolution of Law. Regarded as one of the world’s foremost authorities on Roman law, comparative law, legal history, and law and religion; attended several sessions regarding the development of a common law for the EU; served as a member of the two-person U.S. team helping to revise the draft civil code for the new Republic of Armenia at the request of the U.S. Agency for International Development; author/coauthor of nearly 50 books including Legal Transplants: An Approach to Comparative Law, Society and Legal Change, The Evolution of Western Private Law, Jesus and the Jews: The Pharisaic Tradition in John, Ancient Law and Modern Understanding: At the Edges and Sources of Law, Legal Change, and Ambiguity.

Gabriel M. Wilner, Associate Dean of International and Graduate Legal Studies, Executive Director of the Dean Rusk Center & Charles H. Kirbo Chair in International Law
International Curriculum

Georgia Law regularly offers a broad array of courses in international law, both public and private, as a number of Georgia Law faculty members have strong international and comparative law interests and regularly teach courses in the field. Subjects covered include: international organizations, the international legal process, the law of war, comparative law, international arbitration, international legal research, trade, foreign affairs, disarmament, taxation and immigration. Other faculty members offer occasional seminars on the comparative aspects of their areas of expertise, such as comparative constitutional law, intellectual property law and labor law. Additionally, renowned experts from foreign universities and organizations, as well as American specialists, supplement Georgia Law course offerings in specific areas of international law.

Foundation Courses
International Law
International Legal Transactions
International Trade Laws

Related Courses
Conflict of Laws
European Union Law
Immigration Law
International Environmental Law Seminar
International Legal Process
International Legal Transactions
International Organizations
International Protection of Human Rights
International Securities Regulation Seminar
International Taxation
Jurisprudence
Law and Institutions of the European Union
Selected Problems in International Law Seminar
Special International Law Studies I & II
The U.S. Constitution and Foreign Affairs

Visiting Scholars in Recent Years

Richard B. Bilder, Foley & Lardner-Bascom Professor Emeritus at Harvard University, “International Human Rights”

George Cavalier, Professor at Université Jean Moulin-Lyon 3, “EC Competition Law”

Jean-Yves de Cara, Professor and Director of the Center of International European Law at Université Jean Moulin-Lyon 3, “The United Nations System”

Mathieu Cardon, Associate Professor at Université Jean Moulin-Lyon 3, “European Competition Law”

Franco Ferrari, Professor of Comparative Law at Verona University, “International Sales Law: The 1980 Vienna Sales Convention”

Tony Joris, Jean Monnet Professor and Director of the Centre of European Law at Vrije Universiteit Brussel, “The EC Internal Market and the EC Policy on State Aid”

Stefaan Smis, Professor at Vrije Universiteit Brussel, “Regional Integration in Africa”

Larry D. Thompson, Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution, “Anti-Terrorism and Criminal Law Enforcement”

Yogesh Tyagi, Professor at Jawaharlal Nehru University, “International Law of Human Rights”

Kim van der Borght, Professor at the University of Hull (England), “Problems of International Trade Law” and “Economic and Social Human Rights Since the Fall of the Berlin Wall”
Master of Laws Program

The University of Georgia offers a limited number of qualified and highly motivated individuals, who already hold law degrees, the opportunity to pursue an individually fashioned Master of Laws. The structure of Georgia Law’s LL.M. program gives its students the greatest freedom possible to select a field of law in which they will spend a year of specialized coursework, intensive research and writing. For participants, the majority of whom obtained their legal degrees outside of the United States, the program offers the added advantage of a substantial introduction to the major subject areas of U.S. law, including the various aspects of federalism and the common law legal method. The LL.M. degree is awarded after the successful completion of 27 semester hours of courses, research and thesis.

Gabriel M. Wilner, associate dean of International and Graduate Legal Studies

The head of the Master of Laws program, Gabriel M. Wilner also serves as executive director of the Rusk Center and holds the Kirbo Chair in International Law. He specializes in law of the European Union, international legal transactions and international law and has served as legal adviser and consultant to various United Nations bodies and to African and Asian regional institutions. From 1964 to 1969, Wilner was director of studies at The Hague Academy of International Law. In 1969, he joined the legal affairs office of the U.N., where he remained until joining the Georgia Law faculty in 1973. Wilner took a leave of absence from the university to serve as a legal officer in the technology transfer division of the U.N. Conference on Trade and Development in 1976-77, 1978 and 1979. He has also served as an arbitrator in transnational disputes and was a drafter of the 1988 Georgia Arbitration Code. He has written numerous publications on international law, international arbitration and private international law (conflict of laws).

In 2002, Georgia Law Juris Doctor and Master of Laws graduates gathered in India for the 12th Annual LL.M. Alumni Association Reunion.

Alumni Living and Working Abroad

Today, there are approximately 7,800 Georgia Law graduates who reside and practice law throughout the world. Not only does our alumni body include 11 governors, over 35 U.S. and state senators and representatives, scores of distinguished federal and state judges, prominent attorneys and corporate leaders in our home country, it also includes distinguished leaders in over 50 nations. Members of both the Juris Doctor and LL.M. classes participate in annual reunions held around the globe and maintain a Web site. These activities provide a wonderful ready-made network for those working in positions dealing with international issues to connect with someone who may be able to assist with or collaborate on an important case or document.
Embracing the globalization movement in higher education, Georgia Law proudly supports a wealth of international initiatives for its students, faculty and alumni as well as the broader legal community.