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Exchange Student Experience Guide



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Why choose Western Law?

At Western Law, we understand that in this era of globalization, exposure to other legal systems is of tremendous importance.

There is no better way to explore law in a global context than to participate in an exchange program abroad. The experience of being immersed in a different culture is one of the enriching aspects of this unique and rewarding educational experience.

In addition to academic excellence, students will discover Western Law also offers them a rich student life and a great location from which to explore the beauty of Canada!"

Western Law has 570 students, with approximately 185 admitted annually



Western University has more than 5800 international students from 128 countries annually



Western Law was established in 1959



Exchange Orientation



Visiting exchange students are provided a rich orientation program to warmly welcome them to Western Law and provide them with a strong foundation for academic and social success.



The **mandatory exchange orientation program** provided at the start of each term includes:

Welcome Session	Tours of Law School & Campus	Introductory Lectures
Academic Integrity	Computer Orientation	Social Events



"Orientation week was very nice to start off with as it gave a good foundation for the rest of the exchange period."

Elizabeth on exchange from the University of Copenhagen, Fall 2019



Orientation Dates:

September 6, 2022
January 3, 2023



Academic Excellence



Western Law is one of Canada's leading law schools and boasts a number of professors with international reputations.

This excellence is displayed in our courses, conferences and faculty research.



Our Community Legal Services (CLS) is among the most progressive legal clinics in Canada and a leader in the cause of access to justice.

CLS offers students the opportunity to gain valuable "hands-on" experience and exposure to a wide range of legal matters.



Our unique January intensive courses allow students to study advanced and specialized topics without the demands of other courses.

This intensive period is designed to promote active and diversified learning opportunities.

Community Legal Services . Library Services . Group Study . Research . Moot Court



Student Experience



Western Law has a **diverse and collegial atmosphere** where students study and socialize together!

Our many student legal and recreational associations contribute to the **rich extra-curricular student life** we are known for.

Students benefit from Western Law's unique course offerings, study legal issues from a new perspective and create a network of international contacts for their future.



"My experience at Western was fantastic. The campus is beautiful and meeting people from around the globe was interesting and exciting. Studying the law of another country was varied and a new experience. I met some great people and struggle to put into words how grateful I am that I got to have the entire experience. I hope to return to Western someday."

Connie on exchange from
the University of Nottingham, 2019/20



"One of my favourite memories from exchange is the trip to Algonquin park with the Outdoor Society. I witnessed the vast beauty of Canadian landscape with people from around the world. Sitting around the campfire each night telling stories about our home countries and learning about different cultures and perspectives really sums up what this year embodies!"

Lauren on exchange from
The University of Leeds, 2019/20



Testimonials

"My exchange term at Western allowed me to gain insight into the Canadian Common Law system which is, especially for me as a Civil Law student, very interesting. Western in general is a very open-minded community and I felt like I was a part of it from the very beginning. The great variety of offered activities and events gave me the chance to participate in lots of different fields of interests."

**Tom on exchange from
Universität Mannheim, Fall 2019**



"The quality of its education has helped push me to give the best of myself. I feel really blessed to have had the opportunity to study at Western since the fact of interacting with people from all over the world has made me open my mind in ways that I could have never imagined."

**Mariona on exchange from
ESADE Law School, Winter 2020**

"I enjoyed the teachers' enthusiasm for their subjects as well as how friendly the law students were. As international students, we were welcomed with open arms."

**Melanie on exchange from
The University of Nottingham, 2019/20**



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Life in London

London, Ontario is Canada's eleventh largest city with a population of more than 383,000. Located halfway between Toronto and Detroit, this thriving university city combines the affordability, charm and security of a mid-size community together with **easy access to major urban centers** such as Montreal, Toronto, Niagara Falls, Chicago and New York.

Whether you prefer to catch a concert or sporting event at Budweiser Gardens (10,000 seat, multi-purpose facility), indulge in the local visual or performing arts, enjoy the vibrant night-life or stroll through one of London's many cultural festivals or shopping centers, London has something for everyone!



Links to more information:

<https://www.londontourism.ca/>

<https://www.uwo.ca/about/visit/london.html>

Known as the **Forest City**, London has numerous treed areas and more than 200 parks.

There is also an **extensive trail system** that runs along the Thames River, right onto Western's campus, for walking, running, biking or inline skating.

Discover Canada

Canada is known for its open-mindedness, multiculturalism and dedication to human rights. During your exchange term, take advantage of our great Canadian wilderness and way of life. Hike and bike London's trails along the Thames River. Learn to ice skate and ski. Camp, canoe and backpack in numerous provincial parks or enjoy the pristine sandy freshwater beaches of Lake Huron and Lake Erie.



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