

**Facultad de Estudios Internacionales**  
**International Careers Program**

**MINOR/MENCION**

**U.S. COMMON LAW**

**A Minor for Law Students**

(21 credits)

A degree in Law is certainly your most immediate goal. It will provide you with the knowledge and skills you will need to be a successful attorney in Ecuador. However, because commerce between the Spanish-and the English-speaking worlds continues to grow, there is an increased demand for lawyers who not only know Ecuadorian law, but also U.S.Common Law. The lawyer of the future who understands the elements and basic concepts of Anglo-Saxon Common Law will have a competitive advantage. The lawyer who has studied systems of Common Law, in addition to Ecuadorian Law, will undoubtedly be the preferred choice of regional firms which do business with the United States, England, Australia, and Canada.

**Pre-requisites for the courses in Common Law include**

- LNG 097      English Structure (or satisfactory scores on the International Careers  
LNG 098      English Fluency and Accuracy  
                  (Program English Entrance Examination)  
LNG 100      Principles of Writing

**Required Courses – 21 credits**

- DEM 102      Elements of Law I  
  
DER 202      Elements of Law II  
  
DER 303      Property Law  
  
DER 306      Contract Law  
  
DER 307      Torts  
  
DER 309      Evidence  
  
DEM 302      Business Law **OR**  
DEM 451      International Law

**RECOMMENDED**

- ING 436      Legal English I – Civil matters      (3 credits)  
ING 437      Legal English II – Criminal matters (3 credits)

**Students with more than 100 credits may waive DEM 102 for a total of (3 credits) and take one of the RECOMMENDED courses.**

In order to enrol in courses of the MINOR IN U.S.COMMON LAW, students will need to consult with the staff of the School of Law, Policy and Development, and the International Careers Program division of the School of International Studies.