

VISITING SCHOLARS AT IOWA

The University of Iowa College of Law welcomes foreign and domestic scholars to come to Iowa to use its fine facilities to conduct their research and, in the case of foreign scholars, to learn about U.S. law and law teaching. The Iowa faculty feels an especial duty to make its extraordinary law library available to serious scholars.



THE VISITING SCHOLAR PROGRAM

Scholars who are accepted as Visiting Scholars are given a carrel in the law library. The carrels have lockable shelves, electrical power, and Internet connections. Printers and copiers are available in the library for reasonable fees on a pay-as-you-go basis. Visiting scholars have borrowing privileges in the law library. Visiting scholars are encouraged to consult members of the faculty with expertise relevant to their interests and are invited to participate in faculty seminars and workshops. They may also make arrangements with individual faculty to audit their classes, room permitting. No transcript is provided for auditing, but there is also no tuition charge, and the only fees for the program are the ones described below under "Visiting Scholar Fees." In particular, foreign visiting scholars are welcome to audit some of the orientation courses provided for foreign-trained law students and we make an effort to include visiting scholars in the social activities and professional visits that are planned for the foreign-trained students and scholars throughout the year. We regret that we have no funds to support visiting scholars.

VISITING SCHOLAR FEES

Every scholar will be asked upon arrival to check in with the University's International Students and Scholars Services office (ISSS). For the expenses associated with the immigration system, including the issuance of supporting documentation for and tracking of visas, ISSS charges a modest one-time administrative fee, currently \$100. This fee will be charged to all visiting scholars and cannot be waived.

To help defray the costs of making its facilities available to visitors, the University of Iowa College of Law also charges a fee each semester, as follows:

1. All visiting research scholars, except those covered by Sections 2 through 5 below, will be charged a fee of \$2,000 per semester, and all visiting scholar who are enrolled in degree programs in their home institutions, except those covered by Sections 2 through 5 below, will be charged a fee of \$750 per semester. Visiting Scholars from our partner schools receive a slight discount on this fee, according to our partnership agreements.
2. No fee will be charged to visiting scholars whose stay at Iowa is limited to two months or less. No fee will be charged to visiting scholars who stay at Iowa only during the summer (from May 15 to August 15). Scholars who pay an applicable fee in one semester but also stay

for some or all of an adjacent summer or for one fall or spring semester plus no more than two months in a previous or subsequent semester shall pay for only one semester. Scholars who stay for one calendar year will pay only two semester charges.

3. No fee will be charged to visiting scholars supported by the U.S. government's Fulbright scholarships or other U.S. government scholarship program. No fee will be charged to Iowa Visiting Fellows, as described in Section 4, and no fee will be charged to visiting U.S. federal or state judges.
4. Iowa Visiting Fellows are legal academics and professionals specially invited by the Iowa law faculty to engage in research projects at the law school because of the value of their work to legal studies generally and/or to the students and faculty at Iowa in particular.
5. Potential visiting scholars for whom the fees pose an extreme hardship may apply to the Director of Visiting Scholars for a waiver. Supporting financial information will be required.

Before a DS-2019 form can be issued, scholars will be required to provide financial information to cover living and health insurance costs for the duration of their time at Iowa. For more information please see <http://international.uiowa.edu/iss/new>.

Application

Scholars interested in being accepted at Iowa as a Visiting Scholar should send an e-mail message to the Director of Visiting Scholars to that effect, stating as precisely as possible the time period during which the scholar would like to conduct research at Iowa and indicating the degree of flexibility, if any, with respect to that time period. The message should also include as attachments the scholar's curriculum vitae (c.v.) and a short research plan that outlines the project the scholar intends to complete during his or her stay at Iowa. Non-native speakers of English are required to provide information about their level of English language competence. A Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) score is the best option to fulfill this requirement. We make every effort to accommodate serious scholars, but at certain times the demand exceeds our capacity to accept visitors.

Applications should be submitted by October 1 for consideration in mid-October, by February 1, for consideration in mid-February, and by June 1 for consideration in mid-June. We hope to make decisions by the end of the respective month.

Please direct your questions and applications to:

Visiting Scholars Program
University of Iowa College of Law

E-mail: law-visitscholar@uiowa.edu