The Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University has exchange programs with seven law schools. The exchange programs are open to full time students in the spring of the second year or fall of the third year. Part time students may apply in the third or fourth year for spring or fall.

**Fall 2015 Deadline: Thursday, March 26, 2015**

**Spring 2016 Deadline: Thursday, October 22, 2015**

**EACLE (European American Consortium on Legal Education) Exchange Program**
The Law School offers students the opportunity to spend the Fall or Spring semester at one of four European member schools of the European American Consortium on Legal Education (EACLE): Ghent University in Belgium, Erasmus University Rotterdam in the Netherlands, University of Parma in Italy and Helsinki University in Finland. Ghent, Erasmus, Parma and Helsinki Universities are prestigious institutions that many international students attend and offer law courses in English. This experience will provide an opportunity for law students, particularly those interested in European law, to deepen their understanding of transnational issues. Students may select courses according to their areas of interest, with the approval of the program’s advisor. For more information about these four law schools and the courses that are offered, please visit their websites:

**Erasmus University: Fall or Spring Available**
General Law School Website: [http://www.frg.eur.nl/english](http://www.frg.eur.nl/english)
This is the section of the law school website that covers exchange programs: [http://www.esl.eur.nl/home/exchange_programme/](http://www.esl.eur.nl/home/exchange_programme/)

**University of Helsinki: Fall or Spring Available**
General Law School Website: [http://www.helsinki.fi/oik/tdk/english](http://www.helsinki.fi/oik/tdk/english)
This is the section of the law school website that covers exchange programs: [http://www.helsinki.fi/exchange/](http://www.helsinki.fi/exchange/)

**Ghent University: Fall or Spring Available**
This is the section of the law school website that covers exchange programs: [http://www.law.ugent.be/socrat/socrat_en.html](http://www.law.ugent.be/socrat/socrat_en.html)

**Parma University: Spring Only Available**
General Law School Website: [http://en.unipr.it/](http://en.unipr.it/)
This is the section of the law school website that covers exchange programs: [http://en.unipr.it/node/1231](http://en.unipr.it/node/1231)
Course offerings in English are limited.

**East China University of Political Science and Law: Fall or Spring Available**
General Law School Website: [http://www.ecupl.edu.cn](http://www.ecupl.edu.cn)
Courses in English are limited and primarily focus on international business law topics.

**Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nürnberg: Fall or Spring Available**
General Law School Website: [http://www.jura.uni-erlangen.de/index.php](http://www.jura.uni-erlangen.de/index.php)
Courses are taught in German, but students may participate in an intensive German language program to prepare: [http://www.sz.uni-erlangen.de/abteilungen/daf/kursangebot/aiferienkurs_english.html](http://www.sz.uni-erlangen.de/abteilungen/daf/kursangebot/aiferienkurs_english.html)
Hofstra students can participate in English language moot court competitions and special research to align the semester schedules with our own.

**City University of Hong Kong School of Law: Fall or Spring Available**
This section of the law school website covers exchange programs: [http://www6.cityu.edu.hk/slw/current_students/exchange.html](http://www6.cityu.edu.hk/slw/current_students/exchange.html)
Courses in English are limited.
Grades and cost of the program:

Students who participate in these programs will receive credit for all classes in which they receive a grade of C or better, or its equivalent. The grades from the foreign law school will not appear on the students’ transcripts and not be included in the students’ GPA.

Students will pay Hofstra tuition for the semester, and will be responsible for all travel, housing, insurance and related expenses. Financial aid is packaged through the normal process and scholarships apply as if you were on campus for the semester.

Second Year Students:

Full time students are permitted to do an exchange program in the spring semester of their second year. If selected to do so, you will take Constitutional Law II in the spring semester of your third year. The Office of Student Affairs can advise you on graduation requirements to make sure all your obligations are met.

Application Procedure:

Admission to the exchange programs is competitive and selection is based on approval by both Hofstra and the receiving institution. Up to eight students (two for each school) may be selected to participate in the program each year.

Interested students should submit:

- Application (attached)
- A one-page personal statement indicating your educational objectives and qualifications
- Current resume/C.V.
- Copy of current Hofstra Law School transcripts
- Two letters of recommendation sent via email to InternationalPrograms@hofstra.edu. Please fill in your name and give your recommenders the form to fill out.

Before submitting the application, students should review the web sites for the universities in which they are interested (see above) and should select a preferred location and time frame. Students may take from 12 up to 17 U.S. credits while abroad. Please note that European credits are stated in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). Each U.S. law school credit is worth roughly two ECTS credits. The Chinese credit system is generally one for one with the U.S. system.

The Selection Committee cannot guarantee that students who are selected for the exchange will be offered a position at their preferred location, although the committee will make every effort to accommodate student preferences.

Applications, together with all supporting documentation, should be submitted to the Global Initiatives Office, in room 203 by the relevant deadline. The Law School’s International Programs Committee will review the applications, and make a determination.
RECOMMENDATION FORM

Applicant: __________________________

Recommender

Title & Organization

Address

Telephone ___________________________ E-mail Address ___________________________

How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

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What characteristics or attributes best describe the applicant?

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In what area does the applicant need the most improvement?

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In terms of the qualities listed below, please give us your appraisal of the applicant:

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Overall rating:

Strongly recommend  Recommend  Recommend with reservations  Do not recommend

Please return the completed form via e-mail InternationalPrograms@hofstra.edu, fax (516) 463-5220 or mail 121 Hofstra University, Suite 203, Hempstead, New York 11549. Thank you for your time!
APPLICATION

Semester Abroad Exchange Program

I wish to apply for the Fall 2015 or Spring 2016 Semester Abroad Exchange Program at (check one school and circle one semester):

- Erasmus University Rotterdam Faculty of Law  FALL 2015  or  SPRING 2016
- University of Helsinki Faculty of Law  FALL 2015  or  SPRING 2016
- University of Ghent Faculty of Law  FALL 2015  or  SPRING 2016
- University of Parma Faculty of Law  SPRING 2016
- East China University of Political Science and Law  FALL 2015  or  SPRING 2016
- Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nürnberg  FALL 2015 or SPRING 2016
- City University of Hong Kong School of Law  FALL 2015 or SPRING 2016

Name: ________________________________________________________________________________________
Address: _______________________________________________________________________________________
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E-mail Address:__________________________________________ Phone Number:____________________________
Student ID number:_______________________________________________________________________________

Why are you selecting this school and time frame? Are you open to other options?
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My personal statement, resume and transcripts are attached. I have asked the following two people to provide letters of recommendation.

Name, Phone and Email: ___________________________________________________________________
Name, Phone and Email: ___________________________________________________________________

Student Signature ___________________________________________ Date_____________________

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