Application to the Visiting Scholar and Visiting Researcher Program

Application Deadlines:

February 1st -- visits to begin the following August—December

September 1st -- visits to begin the following January to July

Visitor Categories:

Please select one of the following:

☑ Visiting Scholar—generally those with a faculty appointment at their home institution or equivalent professional status (e.g., experienced jurists, government officials, and senior practitioners)

☑ Visiting Researcher—generally Ph.D. degree candidates, younger professionals and others who are at the beginning of a promising legal career.

Visitor Fees:

Visiting Scholar: $2,500 /semester; $5,000 / academic year

Visiting Researcher: $1,250 / semester; $2,500 / academic year

**If you wish to stay less than one semester, please contact us to discuss the length of your proposed stay and the corresponding fee.

Instructions

Please complete this form and return to Cornell Law School along with—

a) a current curriculum vitae;

b) a one-page description of your intended research project;

c) two letters of recommendation;

d) a TOEFL score, documentation of English-language proficiency, if not a native English speaker; and

e) if applicable, a letter explaining why you are requesting a reduction or waiver of the Visitor Fee.

All materials must be submitted in English. This application and supporting documents may be transmitted in either electronic form or hard copy.

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**Personal Information**

Name: First ___________________ Middle ___________________ Family ____________________

Gender: Male ☐ Female ☐ Title at home institution: ______________________________

**Home Institution:**

Street Address: _______________________________________________________________

City ____________________________

State/Province___________ Postal Code___________ Country ______________

Telephone (+ country code) __________________________ Work Fax ________________

E-mail Addresses: ____________________________ ____________________________

**Home Address:**

Street Address: _______________________________________________________________

City ____________________________

State/Province___________ Postal Code___________ Country ______________

Telephone and fax: ____________________________________________________________

City and Country of Birth: __________________________

Date of Birth (month/day/year): __________________________

Country of Citizenship: ____________________________

If dual citizenship, indicate citizenship of passport you will use to enter the U.S.

If not a U.S. citizen, what is your current immigration status in the U.S.?

☐ N/A - U.S. citizen ☐ J-1

☐ U.S. permanent resident ☐ H-1 Temporary Worker ☐

☐ B-1 Business ☐ WB

☐ B-2 Tourist ☐ WT

☐ Not a U.S. citizen/permanent resident, no current U.S. visa

**Proposed dates in Residence at Cornell**

**Arrival:** Month ____ Day ____ Year____

**Departure:** Month ____ Day ____ Year____

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Visitor Scholar Programs

I am applying to be a visitor in the following program:

☐ Visiting Scholar/ Researcher in the Berger International Legal Studies Program

OR

☐ Visiting Scholar/ Researcher in the Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture Program

OR

☐ Visiting Scholar/ Researcher in the Clarke Initiative for Law and Development in the Middle East and North Africa Program

OR

☐ Death Penalty Clinic Program

Academic Information

Area(s) of Specialization: __________________________________________________________

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Research Topic while at Cornell: __________________________________________________

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Highest Academic Degree: _________________________________________________________

Cornell Faculty Sponsor (if unknown, please leave blank): _____________________________

Which Cornell faculty member or members would you like to collaborate with:

_____________________________________________________________________________

Have you been associated with Cornell Law School at a previous date?  Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, when? ___________ In what capacity?: __________________

Please indicate level of English competency:

Excellent ☐  Very Good ☐  Good ☐  Fair ☐  Poor ☐
Please note: Applicants from non-English-language countries and or institutions must provide information demonstrating English language competence equivalent to a TOEFL total score of at least 100, a minimum score of 26 on the reading and listening subsections, and a minimum score of 22 on the writing and speaking subsections are required. For applicants who take the IELTS, the requirements are a minimum overall band score of at least 7.5, a minimum score of 7.5 on the reading and listening subsections, and a minimum score of 7 on the writing and speaking subsections.

Financial Information

Once accepted into the program, the International Students and Scholars Office (ISSO) of Cornell University requires all Visiting Scholars and Visiting Researchers to provide documentation of their ability to support themselves financially while in the United States. Current regulations require at least $1,300 per month per scholar, plus an additional $650 per month for an accompanying spouse and $375 per month for an accompanying child, as well as $1,200 for initial adjustment expenses. These figures represent the bare minimum and do not include the Visitor Fee or health insurance coverage.

Please list all funding sources:

______________________________________________________________________  
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Health Insurance

During the entire time that you are visiting at Cornell, you must have a health and accident policy providing you and your dependents with protection in the event of major illness or injury. Specific requirements can be found on our website. Please indicate below the manner in which you will satisfy this requirement:

Name of Insurer:

______________________________________________________________________

Checklist

Please indicate whether you have submitted the following materials:

Current curriculum vitae ☐  
One-page description of research project ☐  
Two letters of recommendation ☐  
Documentation of English-language proficiency ☐

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Please e-mail (preferred), fax or mail this form to:  
Visiting Scholar/ Researcher Program

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