The Institute for the Global Practice of Law at the University of Cincinnati College of Law offers an annual summer program designed for lawyers from countries other than the United States who are interested in U.S. law and international business transactions. The institute is particularly valuable for non-U.S. lawyers who want to better represent their U.S. clients, partner with U.S. lawyers in the representation of those clients, and negotiate or litigate opposite U.S. parties. The program also provides opportunities to forge and strengthen professional ties with law firms and companies in the Cincinnati area.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM

The program is practical in focus, covering concepts frequently encountered by international lawyers such as:

- International business transactions (including mergers, joint ventures, contracts, sale of goods, international trade, tax, and immigration)
- Domestic and cross-border litigation (including stages of trials and appeals, venue, conflict of laws, and alternative dispute resolution)
- Sources of US Law (such as cases, statutes, treaties, administrative law, and state and local regulations)
- Legal ethics and professional responsibility
- Compliance with substantive requirements such as anti-trust law and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act
- Exercises and practice sessions on drafting of contracts and legal memoranda
- Simulated negotiation sessions

Sessions will incorporate practice observations at courtrooms, government agencies, law firms, law departments, and corporate offices.

PARTICIPATING COMPANIES, LAW FIRMS, AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Sessions will include participation by attorneys, business leaders, judges, and government officials from the following entities:

- Procter & Gamble (diversified consumer products)
- GE Aviation (aircraft engines and systems)
- Eli Lilly (pharmaceuticals)
- Macy’s (clothing and home furnishings)
- International Paper (paper and packaging)
- Standard Textile (textile manufacturing and distribution)
- GBBN (architecture and design)
- Jones Day (international law firm)
- US District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
- Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office

CITY OF CINCINNATI

Cincinnati is a large city that offers world-class education, arts and culture, amusements, hospitality, sports, and recreation which participants and their families will enjoy. Nearby attractions include world-famous horse farms and whiskey distilleries in Kentucky, as well as the Indianapolis 500.

TUITION AND FEES

The cost of tuition is $2,500. On-campus housing through the College of Law is available at $900 for the entire summer term.

QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants should have a degree from a non-U.S. law school. Applicants must have substantial ability to read, speak, and understand the English language, including knowledge of legal terminology in English. Instruction is in English.

Participants will enter the United States on J-1 or B-1 visas.