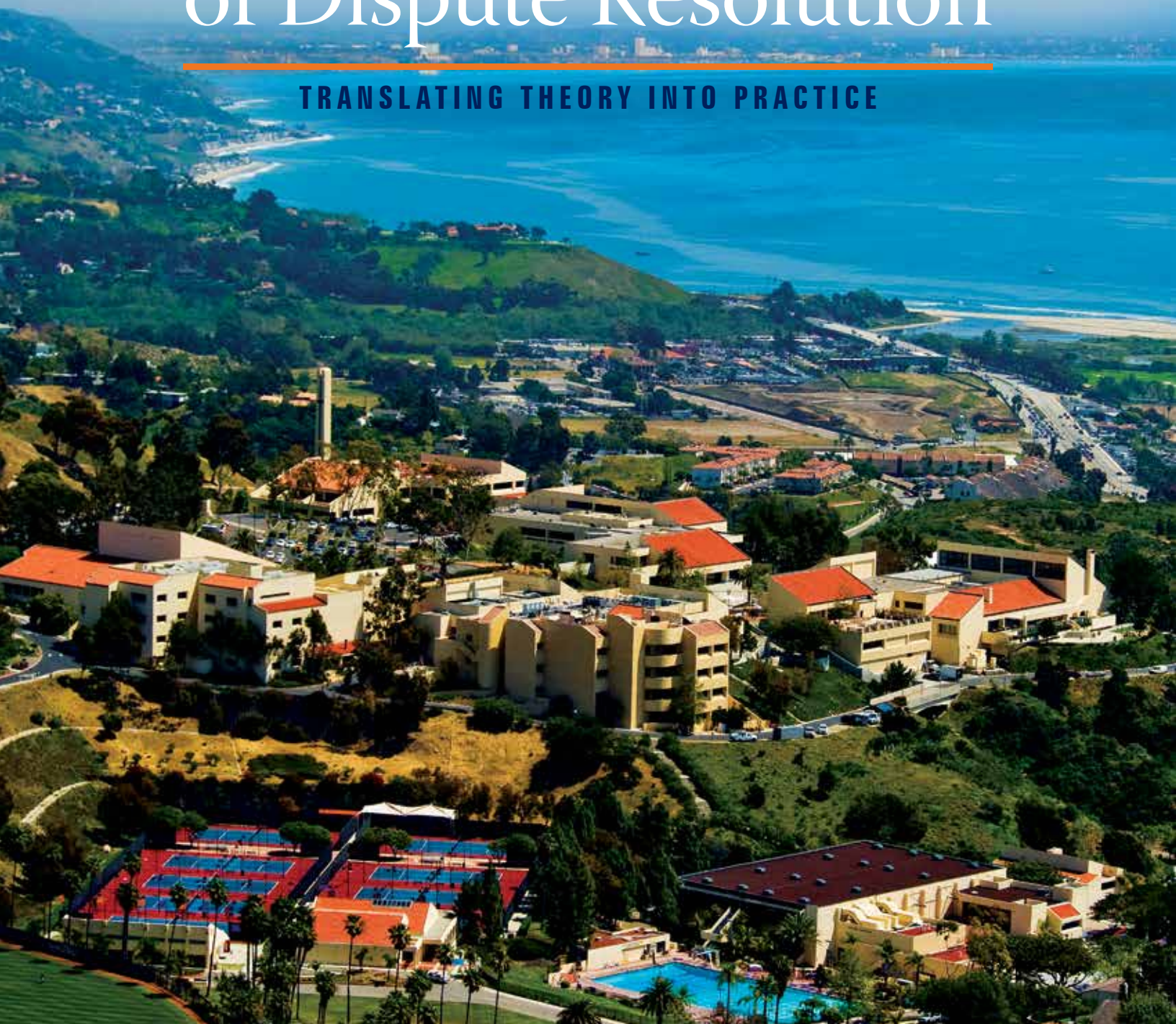


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Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution

# A World-Class View of Dispute Resolution

**TRANSLATING THEORY INTO PRACTICE**







## Message from the Dean

**IN 1986 PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW** saw the future of the “dispute resolution movement” and accepted the challenge to provide international leadership to an emerging field. Almost 30 years later, the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution is widely regarded for its innovative programs that have served more than 40,000 students and practitioners around the world.

The ability to resolve disputes in a thoughtful, respectful, and insightful manner is essential to shaping lawyers who will positively and dramatically affect national and international institutions that seek to deliver justice and advance the rule of law. Pepperdine University School of Law is privileged indeed to be the home of the prestigious Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution where thousands of students and practitioners from around the world have engaged in rigorous training and dialogue, preparing them to assist in resolving some of society’s most challenging conflicts. The work of the Straus Institute is one of the manifestations of Pepperdine University’s commitment to being teachers, scholars, and learners who base our work on the centrality of Christian values to our mission. I am pleased to be a part of this noble endeavor.

### DEANELL REECE TACHA

*Duane and Kelly Roberts Dean and Professor of Law*

## Message from the Directors



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST** in the graduate programs in dispute resolution at Pepperdine University School of Law. The academic programs in dispute resolution at Pepperdine are a unique educational experience in several ways.

While building on a strong theoretical base, which includes an understanding of the literature in the dispute resolution field, the goal of the institute’s academic program is to translate theory into real-world practice. With more than 40 separate courses in dispute resolution, we offer one of the most comprehensive dispute resolution curriculums in the nation. This uniquely broad and deep course spectrum allows us to offer not only a strong educational foundation, but also a wide range of advanced courses providing students with many skills that are useful in professional practice.

Pepperdine has the most extensive alternative dispute resolution faculty in the world. While most schools have only one or two faculty members teaching dispute resolution, each year Pepperdine has more than 35 faculty members conducting courses. Coming from around the world, our teachers include a wide variety of leading scholars as well as experienced professionals. And Pepperdine’s full-time faculty now includes an unprecedented assemblage of experts on pertinent topics ranging from negotiation and mediation to international commercial arbitration.

Since no letter or brochure can adequately describe the dynamics of outstanding professional education, I invite you to ask institute staff for assistance in discussing the program with students and alumni over the phone or by e-mail. Better yet, please visit the campus, observe a class, and discuss your interest in the field with institute staff. We want to do everything possible to acquaint you with the exciting educational programs at Pepperdine and let you see why law school faculty across the country have consistently ranked the Pepperdine dispute resolution program as one of the best in the country. We welcome you to consider becoming a part of the Straus community.

### THOMAS STIPANOWICH

*William H. Webster Chair in Dispute Resolution, Academic Director, and Professor of Law*



**FROM ITS BEGINNING,** the Straus Institute has been committed to five programmatic themes:

- 1) developing academic programs for students,
- 2) advancing understanding through scholarly publication,
- 3) encouraging professional practice through conferences and continuing education workshops,
- 4) assisting the resolution of disputes in religious communities through the reconciliation program, and
- 5) applying its expertise as mediators and dispute resolution consultants by a commitment to service.

The combination of these initiatives makes Straus an energetic and complex place where inquisitive students have ample opportunities to learn dispute resolution.

Students in the classroom are challenged to address current situations the faculty members are facing in their service projects. Interaction with practitioners at conferences and workshops assist students and faculty in translating theory into practice. Scholarship, classroom teaching, and professional practice are integrated instead of isolated. The result is that the classroom experience invites students to explore the real challenges of practicing dispute resolution. If your goal is a professional dispute resolution practice, the programs at the Straus Institute have been designed for you.

### PETER ROBINSON

*Managing Director and Professor of Law*





## About the Straus Institute

**THE STRAUS INSTITUTE FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION** at Pepperdine University School of Law is one of the world’s leading educational programs in the field of dispute resolution. Straus offers two tracks of training; professional training programs and academic programs in dispute resolution including the certificate in dispute resolution, the master of dispute resolution (MDR), the master of laws (LLM) programs.

Repeatedly recognized as the foremost academic center of its kind, the institute brings together an unparalleled full-time teaching and research faculty with scholars and practitioners from throughout the U.S., Canada, Latin America, Asia, and Europe. Its broad and deep curricular offerings serve emerging lawyers, as well as experienced mid-career professionals, business persons, and religious and community leaders. In the more than 29 years since its founding, the Straus Institute has established itself as a standard of excellence in preparing effective negotiators, peacemakers, and problem solvers, as well as becoming a driving force for improving the culture of conflict in America.



**THE STRAUS LLM FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION** is a unique experience for everyone who is interested in arbitration and mediation. As a German attorney at a major international law firm, I have been able to see international commercial arbitration develop into a very important tool for resolving disputes. My training at Pepperdine has been very helpful as I represent clients in arbitrations around the world. LLM students not only study the various processes, but can learn the cultural aspects of international conflict resolution and best practices in the field.

**ANKE MEIER (LLM '08)**

*Partner and Head of Arbitration at a Major International Law Firm*

## Reputation



**PEPPERDINE HAS LONG BEEN CONSIDERED THE PREMIER PROGRAM IN DISPUTE RESOLUTION.**

**FOR OVER 29 YEARS** the Straus Institute has built a program that has been recognized for excellence throughout the world and in a variety of sectors.

### THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

**IN THE ANNUAL *U.S. News & World Report*** rankings, faculty across the nation rate Pepperdine as the number one dispute resolution program for an unprecedented 11 consecutive years.

### THE DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMUNITY

**IN ADDITION TO THE *U.S. News & World Report*** rankings, the Straus Institute has also been recognized by the Association for Conflict Resolution’s Peacemaker Award (2011), the California Dispute Resolution Council’s Outstanding Contribution to the Profession of ADR Neutrals Award (2006), the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ADR in Education Award (2006), and the International Academy of Mediators’ Excellence in Education Award (2004).



The Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution is the **NUMBER ONE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROGRAM IN THE COUNTRY**

according to *U.S. News & World Report* for over a decade





## Location

**THE STRAUS INSTITUTE** for Dispute Resolution is part of Pepperdine University School of Law, located in Malibu, California. While the magnificent vistas provide a beautiful setting for study and contemplation, Pepperdine is only 12 miles from the energy and night life of Santa Monica and 25 miles from downtown Los Angeles.



## AAA Library and Information Center Collection

**FOUNDED IN 1954**, the American Arbitration Association's Library and Information Center Collection has long been considered the world's largest collection of materials on conflict resolution. Relocated to Pepperdine in 2007, the AAA library reflects Pepperdine's commitment to research and scholarship in the field.



## Diverse Student Body

**THE LEVEL OF EDUCATION** rises with sophisticated and committed students ranging from retired judges to young professionals just beginning their careers. Not only can professors teach at a higher level, but student discussion and comprehension can be more complex. Students from a variety of professions including law, business, human resources, counseling, law enforcement, and other areas, all come to Pepperdine to learn the skills to manage conflict.

### FLEXIBLE COURSE FORMATS

Pick a path that meets your busy schedule.

Pursue the program on a part-time or full-time basis.

### COURSES AVAILABLE IN:

One week

Two weekends

Once a week for 15 weeks

12-day international study tours



**HAVING ATTENDED SEMINARS AT STRAUS**, I realized that I wanted more of what the academic program had to offer. The mid-career decision to embark on the LLM program was not an easy one with a thriving law practice two thousand miles away, but the journey was immeasurably rewarding and fulfilling. The class schedules met my needs, and the instructors and fellow students were the best. Not only did the

Straus program increase my professional skills as a dispute resolution professional it opened my mind to areas of the profession which I had never thought possible.

**Mark Travis (LLM '07)**

*Attorney/Mediator, Cookeville, Tennessee*



**AS AN ATTORNEY FROM CHINA**, I can say that the field of dispute resolution is still growing in my country. Before attending Pepperdine, I knew little about arbitration, mediation, and dispute resolution. At Pepperdine, professors don't just focus on the theory but share real and interesting stories of resolving disputes, issuing arbitral awards, convening mediations, and facilitating negotiation impasses. Through the program I not only got a deeper understanding of dispute resolution theory, but was

able to gain real experience. This is crucial for a foreigner, since I can apply the skills I learned at Pepperdine in my practice in China. Pepperdine's reputation internationally gives me additional credibility in the field and I am proud to be a member of the Straus family.

**Jie Xu (LLM '10)**

*Case Manager, Beijing Arbitration Commission, China*





# LLM Program Options

**THE LLM** is a 26-unit program available on a part-time or full-time basis. This is an advanced law degree and will require an ABA-accredited JD degree or for international candidates the first degree in law required for law practice or law teaching in the country in which law studies were pursued. Pepperdine attracts domestic and international students looking to receive specialized training in dispute resolution, as well as U.S. law training for international students.

## PEPPERDINE OFFERS THE FOLLOWING LLM PROGRAM OPTIONS:

- ▶ LLM in International Commercial Arbitration (ICA)
- ▶ LLM in International Commercial Law and Arbitration (ICLA)
- ▶ LLM in International Commercial Law and Dispute Resolution (ICLDR)
- ▶ LLM in US Law and Dispute Resolution
- ▶ LLM in Dispute Resolution with Concentrations Available in Mediation, Arbitration or Litigation

### PEPPERDINE/HEIDELBERG COLLABORATIVE

In collaboration with Heidelberg Law School students can transfer 8 units of pre-approved coursework to Pepperdine requiring only one semester of residence in Malibu

### NASHVILLE PROGRAM

Students from the Eastern US can take 12 units of coursework in Tennessee in two-weekend intensive formats and complete their coursework in Malibu in just one semester, or spread it out over several years in one-week or two-weekend intensive courses

### LLM FOR EUROPEAN LAWYERS AND JUDGES

A pilot program allowing students to take courses in extended weekend formats at our London campus, while spending 7 weeks in Malibu during the summer and two Winter Intensive Courses to earn the LLM in Dispute Resolution



**WHEN I DECIDED TO FOCUS** my postgraduate studies on international arbitration, there was simply no doubt that the only option for me was Straus. So far, it's the best decision I've made for my career. Not only does it have an excellent program that provides unparalleled exposure to the theory and practice of international dispute resolution, its faculty and staff is among the finest in the field and is recognized by their solid backgrounds in international law and practice.

**Victor M. Ruiz (LLM '08)**

*Counsel and Arbitrator, Mexico City, Mexico  
(former counsel at the ICC International Court of Arbitration in Paris, France)*

*International students can study U.S. law and qualify to sit for the California or New York Bar Exams.*

*Students in the ICLA Concentration choose to use their elective courses to take business law classes and will require extra coursework to meet the requirements of the bar exam.*

## LLM/JD TRANSFER PROGRAM

**PEPPERDINE LLM STUDENTS** can apply to the JD program as transfer students without taking the Law School Admission Test (LSAT). The applicant's grades and relative difficulty of course work pursued in Pepperdine's LLM will be very important factors. Successful applicants will usually have good grades in at least four doctrinal law courses tested on the bar exam.

If the applicant is accepted into the JD program, he or she may transfer the credits from law classes taken toward completion of the LLM degree. The student must then complete the first-year curriculum in his or her second year at Pepperdine. In the third year, enough advanced courses must be completed in order to satisfy the JD graduation requirement. Students transferring from the LLM to the JD will be awarded the JD degree upon completion of the JD requirements and will not be awarded an LLM degree. Only students currently enrolled in Pepperdine's LLM program may apply.

## MASTER OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION

**THE MASTER OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION (MDR)** is a 32-unit program available to those with a minimum of a bachelor's degree.

The MDR program attracts law and non-law professionals across the nation looking for specialized training in conflict management. These include professionals in human resources, business, consulting, the medical field, counseling, international diplomacy, and other areas.



**THE STRAUS INSTITUTE PROVIDES** students with cutting-edge knowledge and tools necessary for success as a dispute resolution practitioner and in any other profession that requires an ability to understand and resolve conflict. As an ombudsman at the World Bank, I am continually drawing upon the education, inspiration, and techniques I received over 12 years ago as an MDR student. It has been an honor to return as part of the faculty preparing students for this exciting field.

**David Talbot (MDR '98)**

*Ombudsman, World Bank*

### JOINT PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

Juris Doctor/Master of Dispute Resolution

Master of Public Policy/Master of Dispute Resolution

Master of Business Administration/  
Master in Dispute Resolution



**EARNING MY MASTER OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION** from the Straus Institute has provided me invaluable credibility and set me apart from others in a highly competitive field. As a Navy Judge Advocate, I am thrust into demanding situations all over the globe. Whether I'm defusing rule of law issues in West Africa or negotiating a plea bargain at trial, the skills obtained from Straus help me get to the heart of a problem quickly and derive creative solutions to complete the mission.

**Garrett Snow (JD '06, MDR '06)**

*Judge Advocate, U.S. Navy*





## Certificate in Dispute Resolution

**THE CERTIFICATE IN DISPUTE RESOLUTION** is a 14-unit program available to those looking at receiving foundational training in dispute resolution topics. This program is available as a stand-alone program, as well as a joint program with a number of Pepperdine's graduate programs.

**THE OPPORTUNITY TO EARN A CERTIFICATE** in dispute resolution from the number one-ranked Straus Institute along with my MBA was key in my decision to attend Pepperdine. I recently received an offer from a Fortune 10 company. The hiring manager stated that one of the key reasons I was extended an offer was due to the dispute resolution skills and the day-to-day applicability they have when managing employees.

**MICHAEL BEAUDOIN (MBA '11, Cert. '11)**

**THE STRAUS INSTITUTE FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION** provided me with the unique opportunity to enhance my master's degree in psychology by participating in Straus' certificate in dispute resolution program. In addition to learning effective mediation strategies, the courses helped me gain a better understanding about the legal system, comprehend how law ties into various psychological theories, and consider a career in family mediation.

**Andrea Lane (MA '08, Cert. '08)**

### JOINT DEGREES AND PROGRAMS

Juris Doctor/Certificate in Dispute Resolution

Master of Business Administration/ Concentration in Dispute Resolution

Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology – Marriage and Family Therapy/Certificate in Dispute Resolution

Doctor of Education in Organizational Leadership/Certificate in Dispute Resolution

Master of Science in Management and Leadership/ Certificate in Dispute Resolution



## U.S. Law and Legal Writing Seminar

**DURING THE SUMMER** Pepperdine offers a four-week U.S. Law and Legal Writing Seminar (Summer Seminar) for international attorneys and judges. This four-week program is designed to strengthen legal speaking, listening, reading, and writing abilities for non-native speakers. The Summer Seminar will cover topics in legal research and writing, and U.S. legal vocabulary and concepts, as well as advanced reading, writing, and grammar. The program will also include a number of professional site visits including the Los Angeles Superior Court, JAMS, and meetings with lawyers specializing in international law practice, in addition to cultural visits which have included the Hollywood Bowl, a Dodgers game, and other cultural events in Los Angeles.



**THE SUMMER SEMINAR** was extremely helpful in preparing for my LLM studies, especially the legal writing class. My classmates were from all over the world, and it was interesting to share about our experiences and learn from each other. It was a great chance to learn about different cultures from all over the world and the faculty at the Straus Institute is extremely friendly, helpful, and care a lot for their students. I think the most valuable part is the extracurricular activities that included visiting the Center for Conflict Resolution (CCR) and JAMS. This gave us the opportunity to experience the LA legal environment and even meet some legal professionals in person. I have learned so much in this program.

**YingXin (Yvette) Wen, (LLM '14)**



# Academic Courses in Dispute Resolution

## LLM IN INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION (ICA) (26 UNITS)

Mediation Theory and Practice  
 Negotiation Theory and Practice  
 International Commercial Arbitration Theory and Doctrine  
 International Commercial Arbitration Procedure and Practice  
 Capstone Mock Arbitration  
 Introduction to U.S. Law (international attorneys only)  
 Legal Research and Writing I\*\*  
 Two of the Following Three Courses:  
 International Commercial Arbitration and the National Courts  
 International Investment Disputes  
 Ethical Considerations in International Arbitration

4 – 6 Elective Course Options

## LLM IN INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL LAW AND ARBITRATION (ICLA) (26 units)

International Commercial Arbitration Theory and Doctrine  
 International Commercial Arbitration Procedure and Practice  
 Negotiation Theory and Practice  
 Mediation Theory and Practice  
 Legal Research and Writing

See 16 Units of Doctrinal Course Requirements

## LLM IN INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL LAW AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION (26 units)

International Commercial Arbitration Theory and Doctrine  
 International Commercial Arbitration Procedure and Practice  
 Negotiation Theory and Practice  
 Mediation Theory and Practice  
 Mediation Clinic  
 Cross-Cultural Conflict and Dispute Resolution  
 Legal Research and Writing I\*\*

See 12 Units of Doctrinal Course Requirements



## LLM IN DISPUTE RESOLUTION (26 UNITS)

Mediation Theory and Practice  
 Negotiation Theory and Practice  
 Arbitration Course\*  
 Psychology of Conflict Communication  
 Mediation Clinic  
 Legal Research and Writing I\*\*

5 – 6 Elective Course Options

1 Externship and LLM Independent Study Project

Note: International students can use their elective credits to study U.S. law and qualify to sit for the California or New York Bar Exams.

## LLM IN US LAW AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION (26 units)

Negotiation Theory and Practice  
 Mediation Theory and Practice  
 Arbitration Course\*  
 Legal Research and Writing I\*\*  
 18 units of doctrinal law courses

## MASTER OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION (32 UNITS)

Mediation Theory and Practice  
 Negotiation Theory and Practice  
 Arbitration Course\*  
 Cross-Cultural Conflict and Dispute Resolution  
 Psychology of Conflict Communication  
 Introduction to U.S. Law  
 (for non-lawyers and non-law students)  
 Legal Research and Writing I  
 (for non-lawyers and non-law students)  
 Mediation Clinic

6 Elective Course Options

2 Externships

## CERTIFICATE IN DISPUTE RESOLUTION (14 UNITS)

Mediation Theory and Practice  
 Negotiation Theory and Practice  
 Arbitration Course\*

4 Elective Course Options

\*Meets the arbitration requirement

\*\*required only for international attorneys

## 16 UNITS OF DOCTRINAL COURSES INCLUDING

Two of the Following Three Courses:  
 Commercial Law  
 (Sales)  
 Commercial Law  
 (Secured Transactions & Commercial Paper)  
 International Business Transactions

Additional commercial law classes:  
 Contracts  
 Corporations  
 Accounting and Finance for Lawyers  
 Administrative Law  
 Antitrust  
 Business Planning  
 Business Reorganization in Bankruptcy

Conflict of Laws  
 Creditor's Rights and Bankruptcy  
 Federal Income Taxation  
 Intellectual Property Survey  
 International Litigation  
 International Tax  
 Mergers and Acquisitions

## Elective Course Options

for LLM Masters in Dispute Resolution, and Certificate in Dispute Resolution

### FOUNDATIONAL COURSES

Arbitration Law\*  
 Arbitration Practice and Advocacy\*  
 Introduction to U.S. Law  
 Mediation Theory and Practice  
 Negotiation Theory and Practice

### INTERNATIONAL COURSES

Current Issues in International Dispute Resolution:  
 London/Geneva  
 Hong Kong/Beijing  
 Ethical Considerations in International Arbitration  
 International Commercial Arbitration and the National Courts\*  
 International Commercial Arbitration Procedure and Practice\*  
 International Commercial Arbitration Theory and Doctrine\*  
 International Investment Disputes  
 International Litigation

### COMMUNICATION SKILLS COURSES

Apology, Forgiveness, and Reconciliation  
 Cross Cultural Conflict and Dispute Resolution  
 Interviewing, Counseling, and Planning  
 Psychology of Conflict Communication

### LITIGATION SKILLS COURSES

Advanced Trial Practice  
 Appellate Advocacy  
 Dispute Resolution Law Journal  
 Honors Appellate Advocacy  
 Honors Mediation Advocacy  
 Honors Negotiation Advocacy  
 Honors Trial Practice  
 Lawyering Process  
 Trial Practice  
 Trial Preparation and Settlement

### CLINICAL COURSES

Employment Law Mediation Clinic  
 Investor Advocacy Clinic  
 Mediation Clinic  
 Special Education Advocacy Clinic

### SPECIALIZED COURSE TOPICS

Advanced Decision Analysis  
 Advanced Mediation Seminar  
 Dispute Resolution and Religion  
 Dispute Resolution and Technology  
 Dispute Resolution in Education  
 Dispute Resolution Systems Design  
 Divorce and Family Mediation  
 Doctrinal law class (with advisor approval)  
 Employment Disputes  
 Entertainment Industry Disputes  
 Environmental and Public Policy Dispute Resolution  
 Ethical Practices in Dispute Resolution  
 Faith-Based Diplomacy and International Peacemaking  
 Health Care Dispute Resolution  
 International Sports Law and Dispute Resolution  
 Intellectual Property  
 Labor Disputes  
 Managing Litigation and Conflict for Corporations and Organizations  
 Mass Torts  
 Ombuds  
 Restorative Justice  
 Substantive law class (with advisor approval)

\*Meets the arbitration requirement



Students Competing in a Mock Arbitration Competition

## Translating Theory into Practice Clinical Opportunities

### MEDIATION CLINIC

**STRAUS' GOALS TO TEACH STUDENTS** to do dispute resolution is fulfilled by student participation in the dispute resolution clinic and externships. The Mediation Clinic requires students to mediate at least 20 live-client disputes. By the end of the experience, students know they can mediate.

### INVESTOR ADVOCACY CLINIC

**ESTABLISHED IN FALL 2010**, through a grant funded by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), students have the opportunity to handle arbitrations and mediations before FINRA on behalf of California investors. Cases considered by the clinic are California investors who have claims less than \$100,000, household incomes less than \$100,000, and arbitral disputes with their securities brokers and/or brokerage firms.

### EMPLOYMENT LAW MEDIATION CLINIC

**PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW** has partnered with the Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) to give students the opportunity to work with DFEH senior attorney-mediators to prepare cases for mediation under the Fair Employment and Housing Act. DFEH is California's civil rights agency whose mission is to protect the people of California from unlawful discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations, and from hate violence.

**Pepperdine Mediation Clinic  
students mediate or co-mediate  
800 cases for the citizens of Los  
Angeles County each year.**

## Past Externship Opportunities

**THE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROGRAMS AT PEPPERDINE** focus on the balance of theory and practice. Once students have grasped the theoretical components in the classroom, they can gain practical experience and network with professionals in the field by completing an externship. Students have worked with the following organizations:

Abilene Christian University	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission	Mercury Insurance
ADR Center in Ohio	FINRA	Ministry of Justice, Rwanda
American Arbitration Association	First Mediation	MTV Network
Amgen	Florida State Judge	Office of the President of the U.S., Washington, D.C.
Arbitration Mediation Conciliation Center	FOX Broadcasting Company	Orange County Human Relations Council
Arizona State University	Free Burma Rangers, Thailand	Oregon Dispute Resolution Commission
Arrowhead Regional Medical Center	Glazer in Israel	Princess Cruises
Asian Pacific American Dispute Resolution Center	Good News Associates	Ruckelshaus Center
Beijing Arbitration Commission, China	Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre	Salans, Paris, France
California Academy of Mediation Professionals	ICANN	Supreme Court, Uganda
California Institute of Technology, Ombuds Office	Idaho Power	Southwest Airlines
California Lawyers for the Arts	Independent Film and Television Alliance	The Carter Center
California National Guard JAG	Indiana Education Employment Board	The Rosenthal Group
CEDR, London	Internal Revenue Service	UC Irvine, Ombuds Office
Center for Civic Mediation	International Chamber of Commerce, Paris, France	UC Los Angeles, Ombuds Office
Center for Conflict Resolution	International Centre for Dispute Resolution	United Nations, Geneva, Switzerland
Centinel Youth Services	International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution-CPR	U.S. Air Force
Chorda Conflict Management	IVAMS	U.S. Bankruptcy Court
City of Burbank	JAMS	U.S. Department of Justice, Community Relations Service
City of Glendale	Judicial Council of California	U.S. Embassy, Brussels, Belgium
Clark County Neighborhood Justice Center	Kaiser Permanente, Ombuds Office	U.S. Office of Special Counsel
Department of Consumer Affairs	Legal Aid Clinic, Trinidad	U.S. Postal Service, ADR Redress Program
Dependency Court	Los Angeles World Airports Ombuds Office	Utah Dispute Resolution
Dow-Corning Trust - Settlement Facility	Los Angeles County Bar Association	Ventura Center for Dispute Settlement
EEOC in Chicago, Dallas, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, and Phoenix	Los Angeles City Attorney's Office, Dispute Resolution Program	Ventura Public Defender's Office
Excel Sports Management	Los Angeles Superior Court	Western Justice Center Foundation
Fair Housing Council of Orange County	Los Angeles Unified School District	Western Law Center for Disability Rights
Federal District Court of Washington, D.C.	Macedonian Outreach	

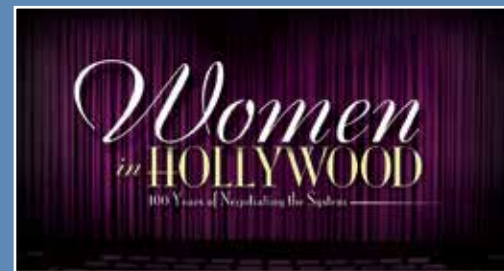


# Entertainment, Media, and Sports Dispute Resolution Project

IN JULY 2012 the Straus Institute announced an innovative new program, the Entertainment, Media, and Sports Dispute Resolution Project (EMS-Straus). Led by faculty director Maureen Weston, EMS-Straus provides a center for industry expert conversations, conferences, domestic and international off-campus programs, student competitions, interdisciplinary course work, and externships in the entertainment field.



Actress Sharon Lawrence speaks at the Women in Hollywood conference.



## Your Journey Starts Here...

## Undergraduate Conflict Management Program



IN 2004 THE STRAUS INSTITUTE partnered with Seaver College to offer a certificate in conflict management. Available to current Pepperdine undergraduate students, this program provides students from a variety of majors to receive specialized training in conflict management topics including mediation, negotiation, arbitration, and cross-cultural negotiation.

## Admission Requirements

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis with applicants encouraged to submit their materials four months in advance with the following time frames.

APPLICATIONS BY	PROGRAM START	TERM
End of March	Late August	Fall
End of August	Early January	Spring
End of January	Late May	Summer

FOR MORE INFORMATION on our academic programs, please visit

[STRAUS.PEPPERDINE.EDU](http://STRAUS.PEPPERDINE.EDU) or e-mail [dracademics@pepperdine.edu](mailto:dracademics@pepperdine.edu).

### STRAUS INSTITUTE SCHOLARSHIPS

All students are considered for scholarships at the point of application.

Applicants for the Master of Law (LLM) programs have the option to apply for corporate sponsored scholarships. Some of these scholarships have been sponsored by the Beijing Arbitration Commission, JAMS, and the Seegmiller Law Firm. Please check our website for available scholarships.

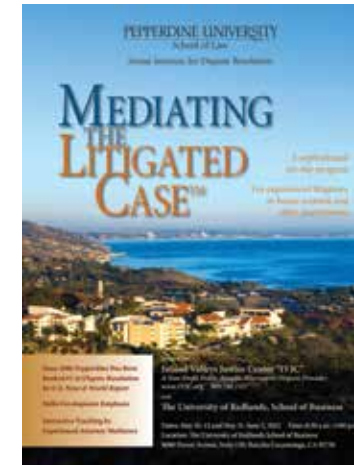


# Training Programs and Conferences



Tom Stipanowich Welcomes Participants to the Professional Skills Program

**THE STRAUS INSTITUTE OFFERS** a variety of training programs ranging from three-day conferences to six-day training programs for judges, attorneys, and non-law professionals.



## MEDIATING THE LITIGATED CASE

**A SOPHISTICATED SIX-DAY PROGRAM** for experienced litigators, in-house counsel, and other practitioners is our most comprehensive mediation training program. Lawyers and established professionals can spend a full week or two three-day sessions learning basic mediation and negotiation skills. Pepperdine has hosted judges from Thailand and has presented this program in China, Malaysia, Brazil, Uganda, and the Netherlands.

**Malibu:** One week in early August  
**West Los Angeles and Irvine:** Two three-day sessions in January/February  
**Washington, DC:** One week in September



## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS PROGRAMS

**FOR OVER 28 YEARS**, dispute resolution professionals from around the world gather for the annual three-day Summer Professional Skills Program in Malibu. These programs provide an opportunity for novice practitioners to learn basic mediation and negotiation skills, as well as experienced mediators and arbitrators to participate in advanced or specialized courses such as complex construction mediation, family law mediation, or elder care mediation.

**Malibu:** Mid-June  
**Maryland:** Mid-March  
**Nashville:** End-October

Each year, the Malibu Professional Skills Program attracts more than 250 participants from around the world.

In addition to our regularly scheduled conferences and training programs, the Straus Institute regularly sponsors special conferences which have included:

**MANAGING CONFLICT 4.0: A New Wave of Opportunities for Businesses Around the Globe**  
 Co-sponsored by the Pepperdine Dispute Resolution Journal and KPMG Law Germany  
 November 9-10, 2015

**WOMEN IN HOLLYWOOD: 100 Years of Negotiating the System**  
 Co-sponsored by Center for Entertainment, Media, and Culture  
 November 15-16, 2013

**FORGIVENESS RECONCILIATION AND HEALING: Lessons from South Africa**  
 March 21, 2013

**YOUNG ARBITRATORS FORUM International Arbitration: Procedure, Ethics And Neutrality**  
 Hosted by Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution  
 March 5, 2015

**DOPING AND THE CULTURE OF SPORT: Law, Science, Money, and Ethics**  
 Sponsored by: Professor Arne Ljungqvist, Anti-Doping Foundation  
 The Foundation for Global Sports Development  
 Sheppard Mullin LLP  
 October 22, 2013

**RESCUING RELATIONSHIPS: Apology, Forgiveness, and Reconciliation**  
 Co-sponsored by Pepperdine Dispute Resolution Law Journal  
 November 2, 2012

**DISPUTE RESOLUTION IN THE KOREAN COMMUNITY**  
 Co-sponsored by the Pepperdine Dispute Resolution Journal  
 March 6, 2015

**A CONVERSATION WITH KEN FEINBERG**  
 November 14, 2011







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