

## **Master of Laws (LL.M.)**

**Number of Seats= 35**

**Subsidized seats = 16**

**Non-Subsidized seats = 19**

### **Eligibility:**

Admission will be open to the Law graduates of Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla who have obtained LL.B./ B.A LL.B (Professional) Degree as well as Law graduates of other Universities in India whose Law Degree is recognized as equivalent to the LL.B./BA.LL.B. Degree of Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla on the reciprocal basis. Provided he/she has consistent good academic record with first or high second class in LL.B. (Professional) Degree with at least 55% Marks in aggregate (50% in case of SC/ST candidates) or B Plus in the grade system marks or an equivalent degree of a foreign University.

**Note: The consistent good academic record means average of 55% in any two examination prior to LL.B. Degree (i.e. Matric, 10+2 and Graduation) or 50% marks in each of the examinations separately.**

### **Basis of Admission:**

Admission will be made strictly on merit on the basis of marks obtained in the Entrance Test.

#### **Note:**

1. The Entrance Test will consist of one paper of 100 multiple choice questions. The questions will be set from the courses taught in LL.B. with emphasis on the following areas:
  - (i) Constitutional Law
  - (ii) Intellectual Property
  - (iii) Business Law
  - (iv) Environmental Law
  - (v) Criminal Law
  - (vi) Human Rights Law
  - (vii) International Law
  - (viii) Jurisprudence etc.
2. The minimum qualifying marks in the Entrance Test will be 50% (45% in case of SC/ST candidates.)
3. Admission to subsidized seats will be made as per the provisions under clause 9 and admission to Non-subsidized seats will be made as per provisions under clause 10 of the Hand Book of Information.

### **Application Form & Fee (Subsidized and Non-Subsidized Seats):**

There will be separate Application Forms, for subsidized and Non-subsidized seats. Each duly filled in online application form with fee of Rs. 1000/- (Rs. 500/- for SC/ST/Antodaya/IRDP candidates). The fee for Non-Subsidized Seats is Rs. 1000/-. The fee once deposited shall not be refundable under any circumstances.

### **Fee Structures :**

Fee for Non-subsidized seats shall be Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) per year plus other charges as mentioned in clauses 3.1, 3.2 & 3.3 of the Hand Book of Information. **The fee once deposited will not be refundable under any circumstances.**

### **Duration of the course and examination rules:**

1. LL.M. shall be a full time regular course of study pursued by regular attendance in the classes and seminars.

2. The duration of the course shall be one academic year spread over two semesters. There shall be an examination at the end of each semester.
3. In order to be eligible to sit in the examination, a candidate shall be required to attend 75% of the total number of lectures delivered. The Dean Faculty of Law may, however, condone shortage up to 9% if the candidate has attended at least 60% of the lectures delivered in each course.
4. The LL.M. Course for Two Semesters shall be called LL.M. First Semester and LL.M. Second Semester. A candidate shall take two compulsory papers and three optional papers (from the area of specialization) in each semester. Moreover a candidate shall have to write a dissertation and appear for viva-voce examination at the end of Second Semester. With the approval of the Chairperson of the Department of Laws, each candidate shall select the topic for a dissertation at the beginning of Second Semester. The topic of the dissertation shall be from the area of specialization opted for by the candidate in the First Semester.
5. A candidate in order to qualify in LL.M. examinations of First and Second semester shall be required to secure 45% marks in each paper and 50% marks in aggregate, dissertation writing + viva-voce separately.
6. Each candidate shall write a dissertation under a Teacher (Supervisor) appointed by the Chairperson of the Department. At the time of preparation of the dissertation for the purpose of attendance a candidate shall meet the Teacher (Supervisor) at least thrice a week.
7. A candidate shall submit three typed copies of the dissertation accompanied by a certificate of the supervisor to the effect that the dissertation has been written by the candidate himself under his guidance and supervision and the same is fit for being submitted through the Chairperson of the Department of Laws to the Controller of Examinations by the end of the Second Semester with the permission of the Dean Faculty of Law. Extension in time for submission of the dissertation may be given for a period up to six months by the Dean & Chairman. Further, extension for a period of additional six months shall be granted in the exceptional cases with late fees by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor as per the University Rules.
8. A candidate who appears in the examination in the First Semester may be permitted to proceed to the second semester only if he qualifies One Compulsory Paper along with two optional papers from any Group of the specialization of first Semester.
9. A candidate who fails to obtain pass marks in papers of First Semester may re-appear in those papers when the next semester examinations will held.
10. A candidate who fails to obtain Master of Laws Degree in one year shall cease to be a student unless specially permitted by the Vice-Chancellor to do so in two years. Such candidate may, however, be permitted to appear in the examination or submit the dissertation as late college student provided he/she clears LL.M. first semester and second semester examination taken together within a period of two years.
11. Promotion of a student from first semester to the second semester will be allowed as per provision of the ordinance, as amended from time to time. The above scheme is, however subject to change without prior notice.