



LL.D. Doctorate in Law

Innovation, Science, Technology and Law

Fall Admission (end of August)

Application deadline

February 1st

The courses in this program are taught in both French and English.

Upon permission, students may write their dissertation in a language other than French.

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Academic director

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The Innovation, science, technology and law option enables students to think about the legal, regulatory, and ethical issues concerning innovation in diverse fields, including biotechnologies and medicine, information technology and computer science, natural resources and the environment.

A solid curriculum blending theoretical and applied perspectives

The courses are taught by first-rate professors and part-time faculty of practicing lawyers relying on approaches blending theoretical and applied perspectives. In addition, students have the opportunity to conduct applied research or do an internship in public or private organizations in Canada or abroad.

Internationalization and comparative law

A key feature of the doctoral option is its strong international dimensions. Indeed, it brings together reputable academic partners whose professors will be visiting in Montreal and thus further contributing to the international and comparative law perspectives. Each year, one of the academic partners will host a summer school for the students of the program.

A doctoral degree is essentially an in-depth research program. Educational activities are oriented towards developing the student's dissertation and students benefit from the skills of specialists from all major areas of law that have a bearing on innovation. Joint supervision by two professors allows the student to call upon complementary expertise where needed.

The Université de Montréal Faculty of Law stands out among other great law faculties for its unique combination of intellectual pluralism and for the groundbreaking scientific research conducted by its professors and students in all major fields of law. Montreal is the ideal city in which to study the two legal traditions of civil law and common law, and our Faculty of Law is a world leader in this field. Not to mention that Montreal counts annually among the 10 most popular student cities since 2015 (QS Best Student Cities)! Come discover, while you study in English in a French-language university, a dynamic city that combines Aboriginal, French and English history with a truly contemporary approach to international issues.



Campus life

Nature friendly campus set on Mount Royal, with more than 65 hectares of greenery, roads and paths.

Dynamic graduate law students association, active legal clinics, sports facilities and more...



From Dissertation to Career

The solid foundation in legal reasoning with respect to issues pertaining to innovation, science, and technology, coupled with the doctoral dissertation, will provide students with a unique profile that will allow them to contemplate careers in academia, public policy, and consulting in public and private organizations.

Qualifications for admission

- Excellent academic record;
- LL. M. degree or equivalent;
- Average of at least 3,3 on 4,3, or equivalent, in the LL. M. degree;
- English/French test and/or personal interview may be required.

For general information on financial aid

www.bourses.umontreal.ca

For information on tuition fees

registraire.umontreal.ca/droits-de-scolarite/couts-des-etudes

Charles Codère (Canada) Doctoral student

Back in Quebec after studying for a Master's degree in international environmental law in Europe, I decided to apply to this program as I wanted to start a career in research. I chose the doctoral option "Innovation, science, technology and law", since my thesis project on the law of climate change was perfectly aligned with one of the main research axes of this option, namely legal issues related to the environment. The option offers a rich variety of courses: to wit, since we are encouraged to integrate interdisciplinary knowledge into our training, I could even take a three-credit course in another faculty of the University. This kind of flexibility was another factor motivating my decision.

Now in my second year in the program, I am very happy with the choice I've made. My first four semesters were punctuated by dynamic seminars led by brilliant professors and by meetings with passionate PhD students from around the world. I can now count on this excellent background to prepare for the writing of my dissertation.



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