

Annual Academic Assessment Report  
LL.M. Program in Agricultural and Food Law  
University of Arkansas School of Law  
September 2023

**Result of Analysis of Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes: LL.M. Program**

LL.M. candidate assessment is achieved through individual course assessments, through meeting our requirements for graduation, through publication, and through positive employment outcomes.

LL.M. candidate performance in achieving student learning outcomes in their coursework continues to be excellent. At the present time, there are no LL.M. candidates that are close to or below our minimum grade point average. All are achieving success in their courses. The average GPA for our LL.M. candidates for the 2022-23 academic year was 3.87.

Our full-time candidates generally graduate in one year; our part-time candidates have four years from matriculation to graduation. We continue to have a high graduation rate. In May we graduated five and in August we graduated one.

Three of our candidates had their final scholarly article published in a law review or journal. Two additional articles have been accepted for publication and are forthcoming.

Our alumni report that the LL.M. degree has helped them in advancing their careers, both immediately after graduation and in future career advancement. During the past year, we have had alumni who accepted positions in government, in academia, with law firms, and with advocacy groups working in specialized positions in agricultural and food law.

**Any changes to degree/certificate planned or made on the basis of the assessment and analysis.**

None.

**Any changes to the assessment process made or planned.**

We are developing a more formalized exit survey to be given to all candidates upon completion of the degree.

**Plans for the 2023-24 Academic Year.**

We have a graduate assistant reaching out to all alumni to update our records on where they are working and how they are using their degree. This will allow our candidates and recent graduates to better access our network of professionals, assisting them in their career building.