Blueprint on global legal education by the IBA Commission on the Future of Legal Services

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Drivers of change in legal services:

- Changing demographics and values
- Globalisation and shift of economic power
- Skills mismatch and legal education reform
- Emergence of new forms of value creation
- ‘Legal technology’ development and innovation
- Regulatory innovations and gaps

Background: previous research + building on results
PROJECT SCOPE & RESEARCH TEAM
Development of a ‘blueprint’ outlining the main **key trends, challenges, and opportunities** emerging in legal education at the current time.

- Understand how globalisation, technology, and the fourth industrial revolution impact legal education globally
- Identify local-sensitive solutions to universal challenges in legal education
- Generate a model or blueprint to assist law schools to navigate the paradigm change
project scope

Key objectives + deliverables

01. Written Report
   - Analysis, responses, challenges and best practices, globally and per world region.

02. Blueprint
   - To assist law schools in navigating the paradigm change:
     - Relevant to all law schools globally;
     - Sensitive to local circumstances;
     - Sensitive to the missions, structures and resources of law schools.

03. Plan
   - To disseminate and implement the model, working with key stakeholders:
     - International, regional and national presentations of report/model;
     - Implementation by LSGL and other associations.

04. Scientific Work (Book)
   - To gather all the different works and papers developed as a result of the project.
The survey was completed by law schools, Bar associations and other legal organisations per region: a total of 420 surveys.

Additionally, the survey was launched in open access by the IBA and the LSGL, in order to give the opportunity to any legal institution to participate.

The interview was answered by each law school’s senior members/ Deans per region.

The interview questions were designed by IE in coordination with all regional coordinators. IE consulted experts in the legal sector and legal education in order to design the interview.

**Qualitative research**
- Selection of literature is done by the following search criteria:
  - Keywords;
  - Impact term: Legal Education;
  - Population terms: Globalisation, Challenges, Trends.
- Academic data basis (WorldCat discovery).
- 715 documents published after 2010, out of which 200 were selected, including various regions.

**Quantitative research**
- Literature review done by extracting the trends and challenges described in documents;
- The result: most cited challenges and trends for legal education, and the number of times they have been cited.
research team

global project: seven regions

REGION I - UK & Ireland*
*Selected as an independent region due to its relevance in legal education

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LITERATURE REVIEW
In order to analyse the literature review we have established the criteria described below.

**Research on various databases, all gathered within the same motor engine:**

- **Worldcat Discovery**

**Inclusion Criteria**

- The search results are limited to the English language, but not limited to country of origin.
- Limited to documents published between January 2010 and December 2019, to obtain the most up-to-date studies that consider challenges and trends regarding global legal education.
- The study sample was limited to global legal education and the main regions and countries.
- Limited to documents including legal education with a significant impact in the population sample.
- Search terms included in title.

**Impact Term**

- The search included one basic impact term: Legal education, and three population terms: Globalization/Globalisation Challenge/Challenges and Trends
- Additionally, a time limitation was included: only documents published after 2010 were included in the search.
The previously-mentioned keywords and inclusion criteria were then used to search within the following databases and journals:

- ABI/INFORM Collection
- Business Source Complete
- Emerald Group Publishing
- IEEE Publications Database
- JSTOR Arts & Sciences I Collection
- JSTOR Arts & Sciences II Collection
- JSTOR Business I Collection
- JSTOR Business II Collection
- JSTOR Mathematics & Statistics Collection
- OAIsterUnion catalog of digital resources
- OECD iLibrary
- PsycARTICLES
- Research Library
- SAGE Knowledge
- SciELO Journals
- ScienceDirect
- Taylor and Francis Journals
- Wiley Online Library
- WorldCat.org
The steps taken and terms used for the selection of the final documents to be analysed are described below.

1. advanced research combining as Title both ‘legal education’ and ‘globalization’/ ‘globalization’ in the search index. 228 documents were found and only 95 were ultimately useful for our research;

2. input as Title both ‘Legal education’ and ‘Challenge’ or ‘Challenges’, with 394 documents found. Out of these, only 65 documents were relevant for the purposes of our research;

3. input as Title both ‘Legal education’ and ‘Trends’, with 98 documents found. Out of these, only 21 were relevant for the purposes of our research;

4. Out of the 181 papers found, there are 46 papers that appear more than once. In total, the research team analysed 135 papers.
The selected documents were read by the research team, who identified and conceptualised the most relevant challenges and trends that were referenced in each document and that had an impact on global legal education.

For identifying the different trends and challenges, a tree diagram/systematic diagram/tree analysis or hierarchical diagram was implemented. It started with all the diverse trends and challenges we found in the document and then we branched and grouped them together according to conceptual similarities (in common or similar trends or challenges), from generalities to specifics.
Final Trends Globally and Regionally Combined

135 articles reviewed
39 final trends

- Globalization / Internationalization
- New Skills for the practice of Law
- Technology
- Gaps in Legal Education
- Regulatory gaps of legal practice
- US legal education as a pattern
- Legal Clinic as a challenge
- Legal education as a consumer good
- Multidisciplinarity
- Economy as a driving force
- New skills for legal teaching
- Surplus in Legal Education
- Education framework
- Gender as a challenge in Legal Education
- Neoliberal Approach to legal education
- New Skills for the legal teaching
- Diversity gaps for legal education
- Ethics as a value in legal education
- Increasing demand of law graduates
- Legal Education reform in BRICS countries
- New Skills for the legal practice
- Other institutions different than Law Schools as legal educators
- Transnationalization
- Case method in Legal education
- Challenges in Reforming Legal Education
- Chinese college students’ legal environment
- Current Problems in Legal Market
- Current Responses in Legal Market
- EU Legal Education as a pattern
- Europeanization of Legal Education
- Gaps on legal skills
- Legal Education as Study of Experience
- Legal education worldwide
- Modernization of Legal Education
- New methods of legal research
- New modern Challenges
- New values for Legal Education
- Prevention of corruption in Legal Education
- Problems and reforms to be made in legal education
Globalisation/ Internationalisation | 37 per cent

- Challenges for globalisation;
- Comparative methodology
- Cultural globalisation
- Dual legal training
- US and UK Legal Education as a pattern
- Europeanisation
- Evolution of legal education
- Importance of multicultural education
- Institution and state-motivated globalisation
- Internalisation of law schools and legal careers
- Common law as a pattern
- Internationally-focused teaching approach
- Language as a tool
- International firms and law students
- Globalisation per region
- Diversity
- Equity
- International law as its own system rather than a single course
- Transnational legal education
**New skills for the practice of law | Nine per cent**

- Global society in addition to a global economy;
- Employability and the future;
- Globalisation/legal skills for the international practice of law;
- International skills for practice;
- Legal new skills for a globalised practice;
- Legal skills for the practice of law;
- Professionalisation of Curricula;
- Reforms in legal education and new skills;
- New spaces to learn; and
- New skills.
Top 5 trends and challenges: globally and regionally combined

- Use of technology in legal practice;
- Impact of technology in Legal Education;
- Challenges for legal education;
- New modern challenges;
- Internet plus law;
- Legal technology and its outcomes in the legal market;
- Need for the evolution of legal education; and
- New technologies.
top 5 trends and challenges: globally and regionally combined

literature research results

Gaps in legal education | Seven per cent

• Gaps per region;
• Legal Education as a study of experience;
• Legal Education challenges in developing countries;
• The pre-reform model;
• Human rights and the rule of law;
• Preexisting problems for legal education;
• Tertiary public policy;
• Teaching approach and means available;
• Economic situation; and
• Access to legal education.
Regulatory gaps of legal practice | Five per cent

- Regulatory gaps per region;
- Professionalism;
- Regulation of the legal practice;
- Street law clinic model; and
- Local context of law schools.
## Final Trends by Region

### Literature Research Results

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- **Technology**: 7
- **New skills for the practice of Law**: 4
- **US legal education as a pattern**: 4
- **Education framework**: 2
- **Legal education as a consumer good**: 2
- **New Skills for the legal teaching**: 2
- **Surplus in Legal Education**: 2
- **Case method in Legal education**: 1
- **Challenges in Reforming Legal Education**: 1
- **Current Problems in Legal Market**: 1
- **Current Responses in Legal Market**: 1
- **Economy as a driving force**: 1
- **Education framework**: 1
- **Gaps in the US Legal Education**: 1
- **Neoliberal Approach to legal education**: 1
- **New methods of legal research**: 1
- **Other institutions different than Law Schools as...**: 1
- **Regulatory gaps of legal practice**: 1
- **Transnationalization**: 1
**final trends by region**

**literature research results**

**Region III: Continental Europe**

- Globalization / Internationalization: 16
- New Skills for the practice of Law: 4
- Regulatory gaps of legal practice: 3
- Legal Clinic as a challenge: 2
- Multidisciplinarity: 2
- Technology: 2
- US Legal Education as a pattern: 2
- EU Legal Education as a pattern: 1
- Gaps in the European Legal Education: 1
- Gaps in the traditional legal education: 1
- Increasing demand of law graduates: 1
- Legal education worldwide: 1
- Neoliberal Approach to legal education: 1
- New Skills for legal teaching: 1

**Region IV: South East Asia/Australia and Hong Kong**

- Globalization/Internationalization: 10
- New Skills for the practice of law: 5
- Technology: 5
- Gaps in Legal Education: 4
- US Legal Education as a pattern: 3
- Legal Education as a consumer good: 2
- Regulatory gaps of legal practice: 2
- Economy as driving force: 1
- Gender as a challenge in Legal Education: 1
- Legal Clinic as a challenge: 1
- Multidisciplinarity: 1
- Neoliberal Approach to legal education: 1
- New skills for legal teaching: 1
- Problems and reforms to be made in legal education: 1
- Surplus in Legal Education: 1
final trends by region
literature research results

Region V: Latin America
- Globalization/Internationalization: 6
- Gaps in Legal Education: 3
- Multidisciplinarity: 2
- Diversity gaps for legal education: 1
- Economy as a driving force: 1
- Globalization/Internationalization: 1
- Legal Clinic as a challenge: 1
- Legal Education as a consumer good: 1
- Modernization of Legal Education: 1
- New Skills for the legal teaching: 1
- New skills for the practice of law: 1
- Surplus in Legal Education: 1
- Technology: 1
- US Legal Education as a pattern: 1

Region VI: Asia (including Russia)
- Globalization/Internationalization: 17
- Gaps in Legal Education: 7
- New Skills for the practice of Law: 6
- Regulatory gaps of legal practice: 5
- Technology: 5
- Legal Clinic as a challenge: 2
- Legal Education as a consumer good: 2
- Legal Education reform in BRICS countries: 2
- US legal education as a pattern: 2
- Chinese college students’ legal...: 1
- Demand of Corpore lawyers: 1
- Diversity gaps for legal education: 1
- Ethics as a value in legal education: 1
- Gaps on legal skills: 1
- Gender as a challenge in Legal Education: 1
- New modern Challenges: 1
- New skills for legal teaching: 1
- Prevention of corruption in Legal...: 1

Region VII: Africa
- Globalization/Internationalization: 3
- Diversity gaps in legal education: 2
- Gaps in Legal Education: 2
- New Skills for the practice of Law: 2
- Technology: 2
- Ethics as a value in legal education: 1
- Legal Clinic as a challenge: 1
Top five FINAL TRENDS in Legal Education globally are:

- Globalisation/Internationalisation;
- New skills for the practice of law;
- Technology;
- Gaps in Legal Education;
- Regulatory gaps of Legal Practice.

Top three FINAL TRENDS in Legal Education per region are:

- Region I: UK and Ireland | Globalisation/Internationalisation; new skills for the practice of law; legal clinic as a challenge;
- Region II: USA and Canada | Globalisation/Internationalisation; technology; new skills for the practice of law;
- Region III: Continental Europe | Globalisation / Internationalisation; new skills for the practice of law; regulatory gaps of legal practice;
- Region IV: South East Asia/Australia & HK | Globalisation/Internationalisation; new skills for the practice of law; technology;
- Region V: Latin America | Globalisation/Internationalisation; gaps in legal education; multidisciplinarity;
- Region VI: Asia (including Russia) | Globalisation/Internationalisation; gaps in legal education; new skills for the practice of law;
- Region VII: Africa | Globalisation/Internationalisation; diversity gaps in legal education; gaps in legal education.
WEBSITE RESEARCH
**General Information**
- Region;
- Country;
- University (name);
- Law school (name);
- Public;
- Private;
- Religious affiliation;
- Non-religious affiliation;
- Independent law school (not part of a larger university);
- Law school belongs to a university.

**Globalisation/Internationalisation**
- Mission/vision of the law school described as one with an international/global scope;
- Law school described as one open to diversity and international students;
- International faculty;
- Percentage of international students;
- Courses with an international approach.

**Technology/Legal Tech/Innovation**
- Mission/vision of the law school described as one with a focus on technology;
- Use of technology as a teaching tool;
- Online or blended programmes; programmes fully focused on law and technology;
- Courses on technology (mandatory or electives) and/or innovation.

**Skills**
- Law School’s programs contain any course on skills
  - 1. Legal Skills
  - 2. Writing Skills
  - 3. Oral Skills (including Presentation Skills)
  - 4. Professional Skills
  - 5. Management

**Diversity**
- Law school information on the diversity of its students and its faculty members.
In order to analyse the dataset obtained from the website data gathering (420 law schools, 60 per region), we established the criteria described below:

- **This is a quantitative analysis based on the website descriptions only.**
- The dataset is organised into four topics:
  - Globalization/Internationalization
  - Technology/Legal Tech/Innovation
  - Skills
  - Diversity

- Within each of these areas, the criteria that determines the level (from low to top) of depth of each of these elements is defined.
- These results show the information as described on the websites.
We have established four levels of globalisation at law schools (low, medium, high and top). Each level builds on the previous one.

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<td>For law schools that describe themselves through their websites as international law schools. Schools that have a positive answer to these questions will be marked as low level (these law schools will not have marked as a yes to the questions for the medium, high or top level).</td>
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<td>1. international mission and vision;</td>
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<td>2. diversity (open to diversity and international students).</td>
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<td>Schools that mention on their website that they have some elements of internationalisation (faculty and student body).</td>
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<td>Schools that have a positive answer to at least three out of these questions will be marked as medium level (these law schools will not have marked as a yes to the questions for the high or top level).</td>
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<td>1. international faculty;</td>
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<td>2. international students percentage;</td>
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<td>3. nationalities of students;</td>
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<td>Schools that mention on their website that they have a higher level of international elements, mainly international content in their programmes.</td>
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<td>Schools that have a positive answer to at least eight of these questions will be marked as high level (these law schools will not have marked as a yes to the questions for the top level).</td>
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<td>1. Programmes include courses with an international approach;</td>
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<td>2. international summer courses;</td>
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<td>Schools that have a positive answer to at least three of these questions will be marked as top level (these law schools will have also marked as a yes to the questions for the low, medium, and high level).</td>
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<td>1. Two jurisdictions qualification;</td>
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<td>5. international networks.</td>
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We have established three levels of technology at law schools (low, medium and high). Each of these levels builds on the previous one.

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<td>Schools will be marked as <strong>low level</strong> if the answer to the following question is yes (but they do not answer yes to the questions for medium or high level):</td>
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<td>Schools will be marked as <strong>high level</strong> if the answer to at least three of these questions is positive (these law schools will have also marked as yes to the questions for the low and medium level).</td>
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<td>1. focus on technology.</td>
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<td>1. law and tech focus; 2. courses on technology; 3. legal tech; 4. programming; 5. technology; 6. other courses.</td>
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We have established two levels of skills at law schools (low and high). Each of these levels builds on the previous one.

**Low level**
- For law schools that describe on their websites programmes that include basic skills.
- Schools that answer yes to at least two of these questions will be marked as low level (these law schools will not have marked yes to the questions for high level):
  1. legal skills;
  2. writing skills; and
  3. oral skills.

**High level**
- For law schools that describe on their websites programmes that include more sophisticated skills.
- Schools that answer yes to at least two of these questions as well as marking yes to the question for the low level will be marked as high level:
  1. professional skills;
  2. management; and
  3. other courses.
To measure diversity we did not establish levels, we simply counted the number of ‘yes’ answers to each question related to diversity.

**Diversity level**

- Diversity of:
  1. students; and
  2. faculty.
Criteria used to select universities:

- geographical spread;
- diversity in ranking (top, medium and bottom-ranking law schools);
- age of school (before/after 1992).

Rankings used to select universities*:

- Times Higher Education (THE);
- World University (Law);
- The Complete University Guide League Tables (Law).

*In addition for Southeast Asia, Australia and Hong Kong:

- we included more law schools to provide diversity in terms of location (rural/regional) or not ranked; and
- carried out additional consultation with higher education specialists in the region.
global view: regions I through VII

website research results: average by country

Globalisation / internationalisation level

Skills level

Technology/legal tech/innovation level

Diversity level
Overall, law schools mostly show a low level in the four criteria, although there is also a relevant presence of law schools that present a high level (from four per cent to a 28 per cent).
region I: UK and Ireland

website research results

UK and Ireland law schools define themselves with a low degree of globalisation, technology, skills and diversity.

Universities profile

Globalisation/internationalisation level
- Low 95%
- Medium 5%

Skill level
- Low 85%
- High 15%

Technology/legal tech/innovation level
- Low 95%
- Medium 5%

Diversity level
- Zero 65%
- One 20%
- Two 15%
- No Religious Affiliation; No; 100%
- Independent Law School; No; 100%
- Public, 95%
- Private, 5%
Law schools define themselves with a low level of globalisation and technology, but an increasing level of skills and diversity.
region III: Continental Europe

website research results

Law schools’ websites do not show a relevant degree of globalisation, technology and diversity. Only skills present a higher degree.

Universities profile

Globalisation/internationalisation level

- Top: 13%
- High: 2%
- Medium: 17%
- Low: 68%

Skill level

- High: 44%
- Medium: 17%
- Low: 56%

Technology/legal tech/innovation level

- High: 15%
- Medium: 4%
- Low: 81%

Diversity level

- High: 44%
- Medium: 21%
- Low: 26%
- Zero: 53%

Private, 42%
Public, 58%
Independent Law School; Yes; 6%
Independent Law School; N/A; 2%
Religious Affiliation; Yes; 2%
Religious Affiliation; No; 98%
Independent Law School; No; 92%
region IV: Southeast Asia, Australia and Hong Kong

website research results

Law schools’ websites do not show a high level of globalisation, skills and diversity. Only technology is presented to a higher degree.

Universities profile

- **Independent Law School:**
  - Yes: 2%
  - No: 98%
- **Religious Affiliation:**
  - Yes: 2%
  - No: 98%
- **Private:** 11%
- **Public:** 89%

**Globalisation/internationalisation level**
- **Top:** 6%
- **Medium:** 3%
- **Low:** 91%

**Skill level**
- **High:** 17%
- **Low:** 83%

**Technology/legal tech/innovation level**
- **High:** 16%
- **Medium:** 13%
- **Low:** 71%

**Diversity level**
- **One:** 11%
- **Two:** 2%
- **Zero:** 87%
Law schools in Latin America do not define themselves with a higher level of globalization, technology or diversity. Only skills are presented to a higher degree.

Universities profile

Globalisation/internationalisation level

- Low: 95%
- Medium: 5%
- High: 23%

Skill level

- Low: 77%
- High: 23%
- Zero: 93%

Technology/legal tech/innovation level

- High: 3%
- Low: 97%

Diversity level

- One: 5%
- Two: 2%
- Zero: 93%
Law schools’ websites in Asia define themselves with an increasing level of globalization, skills and technology. Eight per cent of law schools in Asia present a top level of globalisation.

Universities profile

- Private, 7%
- Public, 93%
- Independent Law School; Yes, 26%
- Independent Law School; No, 74%
- Religious Affiliation; No, 100%

Globalisation/internationalisation level

- Top, 8%
- High, 21%
- Low, 71%

Skill level

- High, 38%
- Low, 62%

Technology/legal tech/innovation level

- High, 22%
- Medium, 12%
- Low, 66%

Diversity level

- Two, 7%
- One, 14%
- Zero, 79%
Law schools’ websites in Africa do not show any relevant level of globalization, skills and diversity. Only technology can be seen with a higher level.

Universities profile

- Private, 2%
- Public, 98%
- Independent Law School; Yes; 2%
- Religious Affiliation; Yes; 5%
- Independent Law School; No; 98%
- Religious Affiliation; No; 95%

Globalisation/internationalisation level

- Low, 98%
- Medium, 2%
- High, 2%

Skill level

- Low, 98%
- High, 2%

Technology/legal tech/innovation level

- Low, 91%
- Medium, 7%
- High, 2%

Diversity level

- Low, 91%
- One, 2%
- Two, 7%
- Zero, 91%
specific items from web research

website research results: globally

Do they offer law programmes taught in English (for non-English speaking countries)?

*The results exclude regions I and II and countries where English is an official language.

- Yes: 36%
- No: 20%
- N.A: 44%

Do they have any international dual degrees (joint or dual degrees offered together with a law school in a different country)?

- Yes: 29%
- No: 66%
- N.A: 5%

Do they use comparative law as a methodology across any programme?

- Yes: 47%
- No: 43%
- N.A: 10%

Do the programmes offer dual qualification in two jurisdictions to access the legal profession? (Jurisdiction considered as different countries, not different states).

- Yes: 18%
- No: 73%
- N.A: 9%
Website research

Key Learnings

*These results show the information as described on the websites.

Globally:
- Law schools mostly show a low level across the four elements (globalisation, technology, skills and diversity).
- A limited number of law schools present a high level: four per cent show a high level of globalisation; 12 per cent show a high level of technology; 28 per cent show a high level of skills; and ten per cent show a high level of diversity.

Region I: UK and Ireland:
- UK and Ireland law schools define themselves with a low degree of globalisation, technology, skills and diversity.

Region II: US and Canada:
- Law schools define themselves with a low level of globalisation and technology, but an increasing level of skills and diversity.

Region III: Continental Europe:
- Law schools’ websites do not show a relevant degree of globalisation, technology and diversity. Only skills present a higher degree.

Region IV: South East Asia, Australia and Hong Kong
- Law schools’ websites do not show a high level of globalisation, skills and diversity. Only technology is presented to a higher degree.

Region V: Latin America:
- Law schools in Latin America do not define themselves with a higher level of globalisation, technology or diversity. Only skills are presented to a higher degree.

Region VI: Asia:
- Law schools’ websites in Asia define themselves with an increasing level of globalisation, skills and technology. Eight per cent of law schools in Asia present a top level of globalisation.

Region VII: Africa:
- Law schools’ websites in Africa do not show any relevant level of globalisation, skills and diversity. Only technology can be seen as having a higher level.
SURVEY
anonymous survey

survey topics

- General information: geographical location; kind of institution
- Globalisation: international students, faculty, programmes, partnerships
- Employability skills
- Multi-disciplinary programmes
- Technology as a teaching tool; data analytics
- Regulation liberalisation (legal profession)
- Resources: revenue and profitability
- Challenges

68 questions
8 categories
distributed online through qualtrics
anonymous survey
respondents profile

369 answers - 01/April*
70+ participating countries

Percentage by kind of institution

- Bar Association: 13%
- Law School / University: 58%
- Legal Institution: 9%
- Others: 20%

% by country

*Note: We obtained 521 survey answers by 1 April 2020; 152 survey entries were empty in their totality and have been removed from the results. From the 369 remaining answers, there are still a high number of N/A answers. These are the respondents that answered some, but not all, questions.
What is the situation regarding enrollment of international students in your law school programmes?

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Is your law school trying to attract larger numbers of international students?

- Yes: 36%
- No: 10%
- N/A: 54%

Key learning: Intention to become more international. But still enrollment of international students is low.
anonymous survey
universities and law schools

Key learning: Still a small number of international faculties in law schools

Percentage range of international faculty

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Is your law school faculty international?

- Yes, 50% or more of the faculty is international: 28%
- Yes, but less than 50% of the faculty is international: 10%
- N/A: 51%
- No: 11%

Does your law school compete with law schools in other regions (other countries) to attract students and faculty?

- Yes: 33%
- No: 14%
- N/A: 53%

Do you perceive an increased competition amongst law schools in your region to attract students and faculty?

- Yes: 38%
- No: 9%
- N/A: 53%
Does your law school provide dual / joint programmes with a university in a different jurisdiction?

- Yes: 25%
- No: 28%
- N/A: 50%

Is your law school currently trying to expand the international content of the programmes?

- Yes: 34%
- No: 13%
- N/A: 53%
Does your law school focus on employability skills by teaching communication skills?

- **Yes** 47%
- **No** 15%
- **N/A** 38%

Top three communication skills courses:
- Moot court and rhetoric courses
- Communication courses: writing, legal writing, oral presentation and public speaking
- Advocacy and negotiation courses

Does your law school focus on employability skills by teaching practice-related skills?

- **Yes** 53%
- **N/A** 38%
- **No** 9%

Top three practice-related skills courses:
- Moot court and case simulation courses
- Practical legal training courses:
  - Legal clinic, internship programme, argument drafting and presentation
  - Career advising services

Does your law school focus on employability skills by teaching management skills?

- **Yes** 24%
- **N/A** 39%
- **No** 37%

Top three management skills courses:
- Management of a law firm courses: strategy, talent management, client growth, technology and leadership
- Business school courses opened to law students
- Negotiation courses

Key learning: Nearly half include employability skills. Nearly one fourth include management skills.
Is your school growing in multidisciplinary programmes?

Yes: 14%
No: 10%
N/A: 76%

Does your law school offer management courses within the legal programmes?

Yes: 6%
No: 19%
N/A: 75%

Key learning: Some intention to grow in multidisciplinarity, but still low. Very low inclusion of management for legal profession.
Is the faculty in your law school trained to use technology as a teaching tool?

- Yes 45%
- No 15%
- N/A 40%

Does your law school offer law students the possibility to solve simulated legal disputes in electronic environments (online dispute resolution)?

- Yes 23%
- No 35%
- N/A 42%

Does your law school offer law students the possibility to learn subjects such as data analytics and/or coding?

- Yes 15%
- No 44%
- N/A 41%

Does your law school provide online teaching?

- Yes, we have full online programs 14%
- Yes, we have programs that include both face to face and online teaching 23%
- N/A 39%

Key learning: Around one fourth provide online teaching. New situation resulting from Covid-19.
Do you consider that the regulatory framework that governs access to the legal profession constitutes an obstacle to offering a more international legal education at your law school?

Key learning: regulation is considered a limitation to internationalisation.

Do you consider that the applicable academic regulations constitute an obstacle to increasing the use of technological teaching solutions at your law school?


Key learning: regulation is considered a smaller limitation for increasing use of technology.
Do you consider that the academic regulations constitute an obstacle to increasing the content of technology-related subjects within the curriculum at your law school?

- Yes: 14%
- N/A: 42%
- No: 44%

In your region, are law schools the only legal institutions responsible for training lawyers?

- Yes: 41%
- N/A: 40%
- No: 19%

Do you compete with other institutions different to law schools?

- Yes, partly, not for all programs: 22%
- Yes, partly, not for all programs: 6%
- No: 31%
- N/A: 41%

Key learning: Not a lot of competition outside law schools.
Do you consider that financial resources are a major constraint for developing the following aspects at your law school?

- Use of technology as a teaching tool: 34%
- Include technology as a content in law programs: 31%
- International programs: 35%

Do you think that legal education is becoming more expensive over time? *refers to cost to students

- Yes: 49%
- N/A: 41%
- No: 10%

Have you experienced an increase of costs in the delivery of legal education in the recent years?

- Yes: 44%
- No: 12%
- N/A: 44%

Have you experienced an increase economic pressure on your law school to grow in revenues and profitability?

- Yes: 49%
- N/A: 41%
- No: 9%
Which do you consider the major challenge for your law school?

- Including skills in legal education: 48
- Including technology as a content in the law school: 54
- Multidisciplinary legal education: 48
- Regulation to access the legal profession and academic regulation: 29
- Resources: 77
- Internationalization of the legal education: 51
- Using technology in the law school: 49
- Other: 9

Key learning: Resources, technology and internationalisation are the greatest challenges.
Do law schools in your region provide programmes to train students in at least two different legal systems?

- Yes: 19%
- No: 33%
- N/A: 48%

Do you think law schools need to attract international students by offering programmes that are more attractive for them?

- Yes: 34%
- No: 13%
- N/A: 53%

Do you think law schools need to attract international faculty?

- Yes: 45%
- No: 4%
- N/A: 51%

Do you think law schools need to expand their international content or programmes?

- Yes: 45%
- No: 6%
- N/A: 49%

Key learning: Law schools should become more international
Does your institution offer training for lawyers on communication skills?

- Yes: 28%
- No: 21%
- N/A: 51%

Does your institution offer training for lawyers on communication skills?

- Yes: 27%
- No: 37%
- N/A: 49%

Does your institution offer training for lawyers on management skills?

- Yes: 22%
- No: 27%
- N/A: 51%

Key learning: Employability skills and management are taught outside law schools
Do you think it is necessary for law schools to prepare students for employment by teaching communication skills?

- Yes, it is important but teaching these skills should not be a priority: 15%
- Yes, it is important and teaching these skills should be a priority: 37%
- No: 1%
- N/A: 47%

Do you think it is necessary for law schools to prepare students for employment by teaching management skills?

- Yes, it is important but teaching these skills should not be a priority: 19%
- Yes, it is important and teaching these skills should be a priority: 28%
- No: 4%
- N/A: 49%

Do you think it is necessary for law schools to prepare students for employment by teaching practice-orientated skills?

- Yes, it is important but teaching these skills should not be a priority: 12%
- Yes, it is important and teaching these skills should be a priority: 39%
- No: 1%
- N/A: 48%

Key learning: Employability skills and management should be taught at law schools.
Do you think law schools should offer multidisciplinary programmes?

- Yes, this should be a priority: 27%
- Yes, but should not be a priority: 20%
- N/A: 50%
- No: 3%

Key learning: Law schools should grow in terms of multidisciplinarity
Do you think law schools should include technology as part of their programmes in Law, by introducing some courses on legal technology?

- Yes: 50%
- N/A: 49%
- No: 1%

Do you think law schools should offer programmes fully focused on law and technology?

- Yes, this should be a priority: 22%
- Yes, this is useful but should not be a priority: 26%
- N/A: 49%
- No: 3%

Key learning: Law schools should include courses on legal tech. Some believe there should be programmes focused fully on legal tech.
Are regulations to access the legal profession an obstacle for offering a more international legal education in your region?

- Yes: 26%
- No: 23%
- N/A: 51%

In your region, are law schools the only legal institutions responsible for training lawyers?

- Yes: 31%
- No: 19%
- N/A: 50%

Key learning: Regulation is considered a limitation to the internationalisation of legal education by some respondents.
Does your institution compete with law schools in legal education activities?

- No: 28%
- Yes, in all training activities: 3%
- Yes, in some, but not all training activities: 12%
- N/A: 57%

Key learning: Most of them do not compete with law schools.
Which do you consider the major challenges in legal education?

- Including skills in legal education: 40
- Introducing technology in legal education: 32
- Multidisciplinary legal education: 33
- Regulation to access the legal profession and academic regulation: 19
- Financial Resources: 25
- Internationalization of legal education: 36
- Use of technology in legal education: 34
- Other: 6

Key learning: Skills, internationalisation and technology are the greatest challenges for legal education.
Anonymous survey
Key learnings from universities and law schools

Internationalisation:
- There is an intention to become more international. But still most law schools have not reached this point. Need to increase curriculum, faculty and students.

Skills for employability:
- Many law schools teach skills for employability. Not many include management skills.

Technology:
- Around one quarter provide online teaching. A new situation has arisen as a result of Covid-19.

Regulation:
- Regulation is considered a limitation to internationalisation;
- Regulation is considered a smaller limitation in regards to increasing the use of technology. A new situation has arisen as a result of Covid-19.

Resources and competition:
- Not a lot of competition outside law schools;
- Resources are a limitation to internationalisation and inclusion of technology;
- There is an increased cost / economic pressure on law schools;
- Resources, technology and internationalisation are the greater challenges.
Law schools should become more international;

Employability skills and management are taught outside law schools. They teach skills and management for lawyers;

Employability skills and management should be taught at law schools;

Law schools should grow in terms of multidisciplinarity;

Law schools should include courses on legal tech. Some believe there should be programmes fully focused on legal tech;

Regulation is considered a limitation to the internationalisation of legal education by some respondents;

Most do not compete with law schools;

Skills, internationalisation and technology are the greatest challenges for legal education.
INTERVIEWS
Interview topics

Addressees: Law school senior members/deans
Scope: An approximate number of 15 law school senior members/deans per region were interviewed.
globalisation
The UK is a global legal education hub. Many UK law schools are in fact very international in terms of their staff and students, as well as their research. Several UK law schools are part of world-leading universities, and ranked amongst the top law schools globally. Some have been influencing the world for many centuries. Some are truly global communities of world-class scholars and students from around the globe aiming to make a significant contribution to the world, often through international partnerships, a diverse range of collaborations and global engagement. The interviews show that in relation to legal education, their approaches vary; yet there is a clear trend to offer more internationally/globally oriented programmes, mostly at postgraduate level.

technology
Online or blended programmes in UK law schools vary considerably. Several UK law schools offer online postgraduate programmes with international contents, for instance, LLM in Innovation, Technology and the Law, LLM in International Tax Law, LLM in International Financial and Commercial Law, LLM in International Corporate and Commercial Law, etc. Fewer law schools offer blended learning programmes in addition to their online programmes, either with a residential face-to-face component or taught in block sessions. Some law schools do not offer any online or blended programmes at all. The online and blended programmes on offer pre-Covid 19 were only at postgraduate level. However, some interviewees consider that this might change in the future due to the exposure and experience of online and/or hybrid teaching, also at undergraduate level, currently in place. Most UK law schools are currently engaging in online, blended and hybrid teaching experiences to mitigate the effects of the pandemic. Therefore, some interviewees considered that staff in UK law schools are likely to be more amenable to virtual learning and teaching in a post-Covid-19 scenario. Universities are likely to invest in the software to enable academic staff to remotely bring students into virtual classrooms. Some interviewees consider that this should allow for further internationalisation, in terms of the participation of academics and practitioners from abroad in the virtual classroom and in the delivery of online content.

regulation/liberalisation (legal profession and legal education)
In general, regulatory frameworks that govern access to the legal profession in England and Wales, in Scotland, and in Ireland are not perceived as posing too many obstacles to developments or innovations in legal education. In England, the current requirements for a Qualifying Law Degree (QLD) impose certain restrictions, as they limit the amount of choice available on LLB programmes. The new Solicitors Qualifying Examination (SQE) in place from 2021 will pose even less restrictions in England and Wales. In Scotland it is the Law Society that establishes the expected outcomes of qualifying legal education. Certain requirements also need to be met in Ireland for law degrees to be recognised by the Bar Council. Notwithstanding the foregoing, and noting the involvement of the law societies and bar council in the regulation of entry to the profession, and the requirements that certain subjects are part of the required learning for a qualifying law degree (at undergraduate level) in a particular jurisdiction, there is in most law schools a degree of optionality and flexibility for students to choose from a range of optional modules, both in undergraduate and postgraduate programmes.
Economic pressure on law schools to grow revenue and profitability has existed in the UK context for some time now, and will intensify with the current crisis. For English law schools there has been a more commercial orientation, not least due to the introduction and subsequent increase of student fees in the past two decades. The reported perception of most interviewee law schools is that of a competitive environment, in which there is the need to attract students from home and abroad. It is the view of most interviewees that with the current Covid-19 crisis this will intensify.

Some interviewees manifest that the globalisation of legal practice offers opportunities and poses challenges to law schools. In relation to the latter, there is competition with other law schools within and beyond the jurisdiction; and that competition presents itself also at the stage of competing for research funding, by UK funders and funders abroad. Most interviewees perceive an increased pressure to increase income. Yet, some interviewees fear that the most challenging times are yet to come based on what it is currently forecasted due to the Covid-19 crisis. In some cases, the pressure is on diversifying sources of income, for instance, by diversifying the geographical intake of students at LLM level, currently heavily dependent on Chinese students in several UK law schools, as reported in the interviews.

In terms of the cost of providing legal education, the most important cost factors are staff costs and overheads for buildings etc. These costs increase all the time. Interviewees report that additional costs will arise from the provision of online delivery during the Covid-19 crisis (particularly the drive to ensure all core reading materials are available online), but this also comes with cost savings (eg, there is no physical infrastructure required).

Most interviewees asked about the awareness of any disconnection between legal education and legal practice answered affirmatively. Some explained this in relation to the fact that many UK law academics have never practised law, or ever qualified as a practitioner in the respective jurisdiction. In the views of some interviewees Law is much more of a social science now compared to in the past, and this carries certain disconnection. Other interviewees considered this as a consequence of the prevalent focus on research in some UK law schools, particularly law schools within the Russell Group of universities. There seems to be an extended and well-established view, reported in the interviews, that legal education does not educate in relation to the needs of the profession but offering a university degree implies providing knowledge and skills related to the legal profession but engaging with socio-legal contexts much more broadly.

There is a clear trend in favour of multidisciplinary programmes. Many law schools have established at undergraduate level joint degrees in Law and…., for instance, inter alia, Law and Criminology, Law and International Relations, Law and French, Law and Business, Law and Politics, Law and Philosophy, Law and Economics, Law and History, Law and Chinese; etc. There is a wide range of joint degrees on offer in UK and Ireland law schools. However, it is reported by some law schools that used to offer joint degrees in the past, that they have stopped doing so due to the difficult challenges posed by the need to organise a degree jointly with other departments/schools. Some universities seem to embrace multidisciplinary to a greater extent than others. Among the universities involved in this study there are some examples of new initiatives where the core learning and teaching experience is inherently multidisciplinary.

There is limited competition from private service providers. Their main characteristic is that they do not engage in academic research. In relation to education for non-lawyers, some of the interviewed law schools offer postgraduate courses open to graduates with considerable experience in a particular sector, and not necessarily a law degree.

Reported examples include postgraduate programmes in Construction Law and Dispute Resolution offered by some law schools to non-law students with significant industry experience and where the majority of the students on the programme come from a non-law background.

Other examples include postgraduate programmes in Law and Medical Ethics, where students do not need a law degree as a prerequisite.

Overall, the main challenges reported in the interviews relate to the ever-changing environment resulting from Covid-19 and Brexit. Other challenges mentioned by interviewees include (1) diversifying the postgraduate population, as part of diversifying income streams; (2) protecting staff research time; (3) looking after staff wellbeing more integrally; (4) making sure students acquire enough technological skills; (5) social mobility, trough widening participation, that is, making law school accessible for students from deprived backgrounds.
Internationalisation is an objective that law schools in North America are trying to reach. There is a fundamental difference in the way internationalisation occurs in undergraduate and graduate programs.

**Undergraduate level:** students usually study in their home countries and their international experience consists of studying one semester abroad or being part of another kind of exchange programme.

**Graduate level:** a high percentage of the students within graduate programmes come from different countries.

**Legal education for internationalisation:** include basic international law courses in the curricula, such as International Human Rights or International Law Business. More ambitious law schools, especially those with more resources, have developed special programmes for internationalisation, such as summer and global programmes (students study different jurisdictions and then visit those countries for a certain period).

Additionally, some law schools are reinforcing their programmes in order to promote global legal skills but based on international matters, while others are promoting international collaboration between scholars. It is also important to consider that internationalisation frequently constitutes a component of other relevant trends of legal education, such as the transition to clinical or experimental pedagogical models.

Law schools offer online education programmes: they shift the programmes to an online or hybrid model of education for undergraduate and graduate levels.

The Covid-19 pandemic has been a huge boost for universities to move to online education. This pandemic may constitute the beginning of a structural education change towards technology.

**Technology is now a vital teaching tool:** law schools in the region are joining forces with public and private entities in order to develop technological teaching tools and debate legal technology needs. For these purposes, law schools are frequently establishing official channels of collaboration with governmental agencies, private companies, and legal organisations.

Diverse efforts are being made in order to develop research projects concerning law and technology: cyber security, cybercrimes, technology law, law of the internet, artificial intelligence, and intellectual property.

Regulatory frameworks that govern access to the legal profession in North America represent a controversial issue: regulation is established by the federal and local bars, along with the government education departments.

Although it is necessary because it controls access to legal profession and has a relevant influence in law schools’ curricula, it is also perceived as an obstacle for development and innovation in legal education.
Economic context for law schools is one of the main concerns: the creation of a new economic context for law schools after the 2008-2009 recession created greater pressure on law schools to generate revenues.

The main factors of this pressure are a considerable decrease of students’ applications for law schools and the diminishing financial support from states and provinces.

Now, with the new social and economic circumstances provoked by the 2020 pandemic, it is expected that law schools will experience a similar situation, if not worse.

There are two relevant distinctions regarding the competition for resources:

- between private and public universities: public universities have been receiving less money from the State, having to search for new funding sources; private law schools face a similar problem, but it is argued that their situation is even worse precisely because they do not receive public funding.

The solution (has been) to increase the number of students accepted each semester, along with their tuition. The problem is that some students are highly indebted and that this situation pressures the system.

Between law schools located at the top of the rankings and those who are not: lower ranked schools experienced a decrease in the number of students that enroll each year. This is not the case of the top-ranked law schools that each year receive a higher proportion of applications in comparison with the number of students they accept.

Disconnection between legal education and the practice of law: the clinical movement.

Skills demanded by the current legal market: cognitive skills, professional skills, soft skills, technological skills and professional ethics.

Career advice and job placement: career services offered to students is a must.

Multidisciplinary programmes as a regular component of legal education for decades.

Offer of multidisciplinary programmes that combine law with another discipline: economics, political science, business and finance, among others.

Offer of joint degrees in collaboration with other departments or schools at the universities.

Entrepreneurship as a trend in law schools: courses including entrepreneurship as a key component; also bootcamps and competitions. The purpose is to learn how to develop a business and how to be the lawyer of an entrepreneur.

Competition in the provision of legal education: law schools in the region; other legal institutions may provide continuing legal education but these programmes do not qualify for the bar examination.

Training services for non-lawyers: master’s programmes designed specifically with the purpose of preparing non-lawyers who are interested in - or have a job related to - the practice of law.

Evolving needs of education: one of the major challenges law schools are facing is responding effectively to the evolving needs of education.

Technology is changing societies - and their legal needs - at a very fast pace; and there is an urgent need to strengthen the connection between education and the changes in the way law is being defined, understood, and practised.

Competition and financial restraints: the main competition occurs at the graduate level.

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Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a significant decrease in students’ enrollment is anticipated and, therefore, it is reasonable to anticipate that competition will become even more intense.
Globalisation/Internationalisation

Considered a reality, but the extent of strategies and achievements differ, depending on the intention of the institutions and on external elements: regulation.

Education, teaching and content: international content in the programmes, comparative law methodology, civil law and common law, and global law. Reasons: (1) be attractive for anyone in any jurisdiction (not to depend on local market), (2) offer international legal education to national students, or (3) a conviction: ‘reinvent law in the current environment’.

Working with others: (1) joint or dual degrees with international law schools, (2) exchange programmes for students, for faculty and for staff.

Faculty: (1) full time faculty, (2) visiting faculty, (3) exchange faculty.

Students: student mobility (usually undergraduate level, trend is growing for graduate). Other activities: international Moot Courts competitions, summer programmes.

Research: (1) promoting international research, isolated from teaching, (2) international research as basis for the programmes and courses; direct impact in international legal education proposal and student experience.

Other initiatives: (1) specific positions to boost internationalisation, (2) international conferences.

Technology

Trends: (1) technology as a tool, (2) technology as part of the legal education proposal through courses or programmes (courses on technical content or legal perspective of technology).

Tool: (1) blended, (2) full on line, (3) full face to face programmes include some online. Most plan growth in terms of online or blended (soon launching full online bachelors and Masters).

Programs / Courses on tech: (1) mandatory courses, (2) elective courses, (3) programmes fully focused on tech (Masters in legal tech).

Other initiatives: research in intersection of law and technology; centres for innovation (Innovation Farm, Institute for Legal Implications of Emerging Technologies, Lab EFB - L’incubateur du barreau de Paris).

Regulation/liberalisation (legal profession & legal education)

Regulatory restrictions: (1) access to the legal profession, (2) content of legal education, (3) language of instruction.

Not all programmes are official (not affected by regulation).

There is always some space to innovate.

There is too much protectionism of the legal profession (programmes officially accredited do not give access to the legal profession).

Language of instruction for some countries has to be local language.

Reforms for legal education:

Liberalisation in study programmes and language of instruction.

Rethink how universities raise revenues (combination tuition fee / money from research in public and private sources).

More practical pedagogy and teaching methodology.
Difference between private and public law schools (most countries have public and private; in some countries all law schools are public).

Some consider this a new context in economic terms for law schools and some consider the change not so dramatic.

Resources are a limitation for internationalisation / integration of technology / active teaching methodology.

Gap between legal education and legal profession? Most say yes, but legal education should not only be vocational and oriented towards practice.

Skills offered: mediation, sociology, cultural diversity, management, entrepreneurship, communication, leadership, client-oriented and technology.

Multidisciplinarity is an unstoppable trend: (1) all undergraduate programmes are multidisciplinary, (2) some multidisciplinary programmes, (3) allow students to take non-law courses, (4) multidisciplinary courses and not programmes (but are already planning to do move to these).

Common disciplines: philosophy, economics, technology, international relations, sociology, history, psychology, art, statistics, literature, management. Dual degrees (Business and Law, Philosophy and Law, Politics and Law; and some offer multidisciplinary ones, ie, PPLE, PLE).

Law schools in Europe compete with other law schools, but this can change: (1) law firms to offer in-house legal education to non-law graduates, (2) other institutions other than law schools that offer online legal education.

Some programmes open to non-lawyers: tax, compliance, technology and innovation.

No general decrease of enrolments.

Main challenges:

Internationalisation of legal education.

Preparing students for a profession in transformation.
Globalisation/internationalization is expressed threefold: through the completion of mandatory international law courses, participation in international moot competitions, and participation of students in exchange programmes and immersion electives overseas.

Another point to highlight is the intention to develop an international business in Australasia, Asia and the UK. Although the focus in attracting enrolments is local, it is expected that it will attract international enrolments from law graduates and lawyers who want to be admitted to practise in those jurisdictions or who serve clients in those jurisdictions. In short, the strategy is to meet the needs of an increasingly global legal profession.

Given the Covid-19 pandemic the level of international mobility of students is uncertain.

Even before the Covid-19 crisis forced operations to move to online only, there were programmes already being taught online and in blended modalities.

Faculty are familiar with using technology as a teaching tool and the Covid-19 crisis has forced instant implementation of many new teaching technologies.

When the Covid-19 crisis is over, we will stay with recorded classes even when we return to face-to-face classes so, at least, blended learning will remain. A number of online programmes have recently been established and it is likely that more online learning opportunities will be available in the future.

The regulatory frameworks that govern access to the legal profession and higher (legal) education sometimes constitute an obstacle to developments and innovation in regards to undergraduate programs.

The content of these programs is heavily regulated and prescribed and tends to reflect traditional approaches to the practice of law.

These regulatory frameworks limit, to some extent, the offering of a more international legal education.
Resources have not been a challenge. We have experienced an increase of costs in the delivery of our courses mostly due to the demand for specialised elective courses that has increased, although much of that specialisation is currently being wound back due to the Covid-19 crisis and it is unclear how much specialisation will return when the crisis ends and how quickly.

To offset such costs, universities have recognised that the market will pay more for legal education and have raised fees accordingly. Many Australian universities have introduced post-graduate law degrees (JDs) where the courses are charged at Masters rates even though the content is largely the same as in traditional Australian undergraduate legal education.

What’s paramount is ensuring our law degrees actively focus on preparing our graduates for legal practice. While there is a demand for tech savvy students, we have found that the profession remains focused on selecting graduates who achieve high academic honours, and who have a CV that demonstrates the ability to respond to real-life issues.

Some of the non-legal courses that are taught include legal philosophy, ethics, financial literacy, technological awareness, commercial understanding, networking and business development skills. The new skills the legal market is demanding are:

- Client-friendly communication
- Commercial understanding
- Financial literacy
- Networking
- Teamwork
- Collaborative problem solving
- Legal tech skills
- Project management
- Adaptability
- Resilience

Competition usually exists among law schools but to a lesser extent law societies and professional associations that provide legal training might pose competition as well.

There has always been competition between law schools and there is a perceived growth of competition in the market.

The biggest challenge is to ensure that we equip our students for the real world of 21st century legal practice, which is changing so rapidly.

It has been observed that the Covid-19 crisis is making institutions who have been reliant on international student enrolment look to find more domestic students.
Internationalisation and globalisation are a concern for the Latin American universities. They have incorporated courses in comparative law, international law and global law, to offer international legal education to national students, given today’s new global realities.

International research needs to be strengthened: transnational projects are still incipient.

The internationalisation programmes and initiatives include:
- Partnerships with foreign institutions for academic mobility (there is a resistance to attracting students and teachers to universities outside of the major regional centre);
- Dual-diploma programmes;
- Participation in leagues and international networks;
- Research on topics of global relevance and local impact;
- Offerings of courses in English, which is not widely adopted;
- Summer courses offered in partnership with foreign institutions, including academic mobility of teachers from both partners;
- Partnerships with cultural and language institutions;
- Partnerships to prepare students for professional qualification processes in other jurisdictions;
- Participation in international competitions, such as Moots.

Some universities use technology as a tool, while for others, technology is part of legal education.

Investment and efforts by institutions to develop technological solutions to improve teaching methods.

LegalTech is a challenge in terms of legal education but advancements are being made by offering 100 per cent online undergraduate courses, blended learning for undergraduate and graduate programmes, research projects and law laboratories on the relationship between technology and law.

Some other initiatives include study groups (Legal Hackers) and hackatons related to legal education.

There seems to be regulation with respect to the content of the legal education they offer as well as access to the profession, but not in terms of the language of instruction.

In some jurisdictions, there is more room for innovation in the teaching of law, while in others, it is more restricted. Some institutions consider that the regulatory framework should be more flexible in terms of content and teaching methodologies.

As for the current regulation of legal professions, interviewees were unanimous in pointing out limitations that curb or inhibit innovation.
resources

There is financial pressure on both private and public law schools, although these are not dramatic (at the time of the interviews).

This does not seem to be an obstacle to technological innovation, as some argue that such limitations are more likely ideological constraints given existing traditional views on teaching law.

Financial barriers have put pressure on universities to seek resources through graduate programmes and higher education courses.

employability related skills and multidisciplinarity

Some believe that the distance between education and the legal profession is vast, for others, it is less so because of the implementation of pedagogical strategies aimed at bringing them together (e.g., learning through cases).

The vast majority of the schools interviewed strongly believe in the importance of developing skills and competencies for the resolution of ethical tensions, for alternative conflict resolution, as well as for the interdisciplinary understanding of law (e.g., sociology, economics, philosophy).

There is less emphasis on technology, marketing for clients, or office management.

The trend has been for some schools to run multidisciplinary programmes, while others do not. Some also allow students to take courses from other programmes.

There are some interdisciplinary courses and graduate programmes. These interdisciplinary perspectives are increasingly being incorporated into law programmes.

new market players and challenges

Internationalisation, technological challenges and management of the legal profession are the main challenges to be considered in legal education.
Globalisation and the opportunities it has created has necessitated enhanced internationalisation between higher educational institutions. This is primarily due to the interconnectedness of societies, and the transnationalisation of law thereof. Every institution has a ‘commitment’ to internationalisation, an ‘approach’ to internationalisation, and ‘strategies’ to implement the same. While commitments are uniformly deep-seated and approaches are particularly constitutive, strategies vary from county to country based on their core strengths and comparative advantage.

For example:
- **Russia** uses English education as a means for internationalisation.
- **India** finds opportunities for internationalisation through courses with a ‘global’ and ‘transnational’ character.
- **China** believes in the internationalisation of Chinese projects of high global and regional importance such as the ‘Belt and Road’ initiative, the ‘High-end Forum on Law Cooperation among Countries along the Silk Road’ and building greater awareness about the importance of Chinese Law, its legal system, and approaches.

There is a commendable level of preparedness among all the schools in terms of technology. This ranges from online programmes to technology-enabled classrooms and artificial intelligence (AI) proctored examinations. Schools have endured that all personnel, teaching and non-teaching, have the necessary technological competency.

Many schools, while building technological competency, also tried to sensitise the student community to the role of science and technology in contemporary societies and in achieving human excellence. This was done mainly by teaching courses on the intersections of law and technology, e.g., Law, Science & Technology; AI and Law, Biotechnology Law, Technology Transfer and Anticompetitive Practices, and Intellectual Property and AI. Many schools offer these courses under the research centres set up for conducting advanced research on law and technology. These research centres also provide policy advice to many governmental agencies, including the judiciary, and regulatory bodies. Many such research centres and labs are collaborative ventures of schools and technology leaders.

Some of the schools find regulation to excessively constrain their freedom and imagination. These regulatory constraints have spill-over effects on the curriculum, pedagogy, and freedom of faculty members. Other problems regulations pose are the imposition of pre-conceived standards, retention of conservatism, stagnancy, and lack of innovation.

However, schools do feel positively about the need for regulations. But, regulations shall have more ‘space’ for freedom of action. Greater ‘flexibility’ would help institutions appreciate their situationality, and advance to excellence based on their comparative advantage. Most of the schools do not feel that regulation is less of a hindrance in terms of research but more in terms of curriculum, credits, teaching hours, reporting, admissions, and faculty hiring. Some of the positive sides of regulation, as pointed out by some of the schools, include setting of entry-thresholds and minimum standards for law schools; bringing in organisation and order to legal education; predictability; transparency; and a good nexus between law schools and legal practice (this is due to the fact that in some cases the regulator is the Bar itself).
Some of the respondents have observed that many state law schools have to seek alternative funding in addition to the governmental funding. This is not solely because that state funding is less, but that there are many increasing demands on the part of schools in general, and faculty in particular, in a highly competitive academic world, eg, the need to provide open access to their publications, to subscribe to digital databases, to fund partially funded research projects, to facilitate the travels of faculty and students and so on.

Lack of financial resources also limit internationalisation and technology-based teaching.

A few of the respondents also mentioned that a lack of resources become a big hindrance in hiring highly qualified faculty members as the universities fail to provide competitive salaries. Such a failure will indirectly impact the quality of teaching and research. State-funded institutions also face an uneven competition from many private universities which offer state-of-the-art infrastructure, competitive salaries to professors, and world class education against high fees. This prompts many students to move into such universities. If state universities are not adequately funded, they will lose their relevance in the competition.

Responses vary under this heading. Some of the respondents have pointed out that there is a disconnect between legal education and the practice of law. As a response to this problem, many Chinese universities have the system of practical training for teachers like the short-term prosecutorial system. In addition to Chinese law schools, many law schools in the Asian region are also trying to make their courses skill-based. Skills is understood by the schools is a much broader sense – they range from vocational skills to analytical and critical skills. A few of the skills which the law schools aim to provide to students through their various courses, trainings, and clinics are the following:

- critical thinking
- heuristics
- professional communications
- academic writing
- entrepreneurial skills
- tech-proficiency
- data analysis
- information processing

In order to maximise the students’ familiarity with the practical side of law, many law schools offer courses taught by practising lawyers. All the law schools provide career services to students. Schools sense that a rapidly globalising society needs multidisciplinary knowledge, as without a multidisciplinary perspective the pluralities characteristic to global societies cannot be understood. While schools ensure that knowledge of various disciplines are provided to students, students also get a sense of multidisciplinarity.
Respondents have commented that a greater focus is placed on attracting international students as a result of globalisation and internationalisation.

A more globalised world has brought with it international moot and debate competitions, international modules, trips to international courts, courses on the law of foreign jurisdictions and comparative law. There are also exchange opportunities available to both students and faculty, to promote a more international legal education.

There is a notable increase in law students mobility with students from many African, European and Asian countries applying to study in this region.

Due to the repercussions of the Covid-19 pandemic, the original offer of blended programmes, made up of both face to face and online sessions, now includes fully-online programmes.

All faculty are trained to use the technology and systems available to ensure efficient delivery of programmes.

Programmes include contents on technology, ICT law and cyber law, and all programmes include the use of an e-learning platform.

Technology also filters into relationships with the legal profession including the training of judges, partnerships with CaseLines and Microsoft and the ‘LawTechLab’, which is focused on teaching and research in law and technology.

Regulatory frameworks to access the legal profession are not considered an obstacle to innovation and do not limit international legal education. Applicable regulations constitute an obstacle to increase the use of technology at law schools. Under normal circumstances, increasing the use of technology is not approved or is very limited, but to do so is now allowed due to a reduction in restrictions following the Covid-19 pandemic.

Legal education should respond to the demands for competent and professional training and keep in touch with market trends and international best practices.

Areas to improve include the admission of unqualified students, a lack of system mentorship and a lack of guidelines on open and distance learning.
Within a new economic context, law schools need finances to equip and run in this modern era. Due to reduced governmental support, there has been an increase in costs in the delivery of legal education. Financial resources are a major constraint to internationalisation and for some, to develop the use of technology.

A disconnection was noted between legal education and the practice of law. There is also a discrepancy between the skills developed at law school and the skills required by the professional market such as technology skills and resilience. Employability skills are offered by law schools, including career talks, courses on legal practice management, communication and negotiation skills, some of which are mandatory. Professional ethics is also a mandatory course.

Electives in other disciplines allow students to explore multidisciplinary options such as law and technology or a combined LLB program with Humanities or Commerce. Law Programmes in the region include non-legal areas such as finance, accounting, economics, science, technology, Principles of Ethics, Critical Thinking and Philosophical Anthropology.

No competition with non-law school institutions. Training offered to non-lawyers (Dispute Resolution Centre and programmes are open to students who do not have a legal qualification).

Law, medicine and engineering are replaced by Business and IT, Finance and Economics; top applicants are increasingly choosing Accounting and Engineering over Law, causing an increased competition amongst law schools, both nationally and internationally.

Attracting and retaining faculty due to the pay factor constitutes a major challenge, as does an inadequate preparation level of students.
COVID-19 AND LEGAL EDUCATION
Key challenges in Legal Education due to Covid-19

1. Technology;
2. Skills;
3. Regulatory gaps;
4. Others;
   - Health;
   - Burdens and gaps; and
   - Humanity.

Methodology
For the study of the main challenges faced by law schools during the Covid-19 pandemic and the diverse changes that law schools had and have to implement, we have conducted qualitative research using articles published in the media (globally and regionally) during the past months. Up until now, the academic literature on this topic is still scarce.
Key challenges in Legal Education due to covid-19

Technology as a tool: online/remote teaching

Online teaching has been the most relevant challenge faced by law schools during the lockdowns adopted in multiple countries due to the pandemic.

- Exploring new options for remote learning.
- Lack of F2F teaching.
- LPC (Legal Practice Course) with more relaxed rules regarding online exams.
- Gaps with the accessibility of remote working by disadvantaged and disable students.
- Gaps in the access to legal advice or legal training.
- To create accessible education for students with disabilities.
- Equal access to education as a challenge.
- e-learning as a platform for teaching.
- Online examinations.
- Webinars.
- Laptops should be incorporated into the University loan programme.
- Technology is an operational lifeline.
- A chaotic transition to the virtual world.
- Law schools are behind standards.
- Switch the law school operation online immediately.
- Assisting students, staff members, academy, to help them with the change.
- Conferences also held online.
- Free online courses for students (eg, webinars).
- Begin recording or live-streaming lectures now.
- Accomodate sick leave for students and staff.
- Increase exam flexibility.
- Success in changing to online teaching.
Because of the pandemic, the possibility to include legal tech as a new course within the legal studies is being currently considered by some law schools.

These are some the most relevant challenges that law schools face when considering whether to include legal tech as a new course in the legal studies:

- It is not only a case of combining courses in Law and Tech, it is also the combination of legal knowledge with other skills required in the current world.
- Preparing students for litigation being handled online in future.
- Students must learn programming skills.
- Open all law school resources to everyone.
- Online seminars.
- Offer interactive online teaching combined with interactive online activities.
- Introducing legal tech course after the Covid-19 pandemic.
Key challenges in Legal Education due to covid-19

**Skills**

- It is clear that **new skills** and mindsets for law students must be considered after the Covid-19 pandemic. Law schools may consider it difficult to prepare students for the practice under this current situation. Legal education needs new skills to prepare students for the legal services world.

- These are some of the new abilities law schools should offer to their students and some of the challenges law schools must deal with:
  - **Agility**;
  - Creativity, cognitive flexibility and collaboration;
  - Programmes should include **project management**, process, **data analysis**, design, basic notions of **business**, maths, scheduling, prediction, **risk management**, and leadership;
  - A new multidisciplinary, integrated, platform-driven, capitalised, data-based, problem-solving, customer-centric marketplace;
  - **Professional skills** cannot be exercised when all legal institutions (courts, law firms and NGOs) are closed; and
  - To anticipate the local disruption caused when study abroad programmes are cancelled.
The current pandemic has also showed some problems and challenges law schools should solve regarding **regulation both for the legal education and for the practice of law**. For example:

- The **regulator’s position** on the delivery of law programmes must be reviewed;
- To offer **online training** to all those qualifying for the bar in view of the shift to **online learning**;
- The time and cost involved in law school, reimagine the curriculum, faculty composition, and the transition from degree factories to learning centres for life, must all be considered;
- Regulation must be designed to better serve legal consumers and society, not to shield lawyers from competition. The **anachronistic US regulatory scheme** must be overhauled to remove unnecessary regulatory barriers in the corporate segment and to end the scourge of the access to justice crisis in the retail market;
- Various state **bar examinations postponed** during the summer;
- Courts are introducing more written recourses to the detriment of oral hearing;
- **There will be a precarious job market** after the pandemic;
- Allow their students to take classes on a pass or fail basis this term.
Some other handicaps have been revealed during the current Covid-19 crisis. These other challenges may affect a more personal scope of the individuals in the legal education, i.e., the students and faculty members’ health and the different burdens and difficulties students and faculty members have to overcome during and after this current situation:

- Students and faculty members’ mental health as a new challenge, including relating to stress and other psychological diseases because of Covid-19;
- Home teaching can become a familiar problem;
- Isolation in legal advice and training;
- To overcome financial and administrative burdens in universities;
- Providing equal access to education as a challenge in current times;
- Affordability and access to laptops, computers, or smart phones for e-learning is a challenge;
- Socio-economic and gender inequalities among students;
- Inequality among students in their access to internet and online sessions;
- Online teaching increases accessibility;
- A culture committed to these principles prizes emotional intelligence, cultural awareness, collaboration, and compassion – traits not presently prioritised by legal culture;
- Change starts with culture, not technology; and
- Accommodate sick leave for students and staff.
CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS
conclusions & recommendations

Content

1. Relevant trends

Most current relevant trends:

- Globalisation;
- Technology;
- Skills;
- Regulation of legal education and the legal profession.

For each trend, this blueprint report defines various levels and proposes a series of recommendations for development (from less complex to more sophisticated activities) as a guide.

2. Key challenges

1. Globally:
   - Regulation of Legal Education and the legal profession;
   - Resources.

2. Key challenges per region.

3. Final conclusions

- Internationalisation;
- Technology;
- Skills;
- Regulation;
- Diversity;
Globalisation is the number one trend in legal education

Globalisation: Comparative methodology, cultural globalisation, dual legal training, US and UK Legal Education as a pattern, Europeanisation, importance of multicultural education, institution and state-motivated globalisation, internalisation of law schools and legal career, common law as a pattern, international firms and law students, globalisation per region, diversity, equity, international law as its own system rather than a single course, transnational legal education.

There is an intention to become more international. But still most law schools have not reached this point. Need to increase: curriculum and faculty and students.

How an institution can grow its level of internationalisation

Low level
Very limited international activity

Medium level
International faculty
International students

High level
This is a higher level of internationalisation and it requires an institution to have not only an international faculty and student body, but to have international activities and content in its Law programmes, which include these elements (in order of simpler to more complex): exchange programmes, international summer courses, participation in international competitions, programmes include courses with an international approach, comparative law courses, international PhD/SJD, international dual degrees, comparative law methodology.

Top level
This is the most sophisticated level of internationalisation, only some law schools achieve it. It requires a full internationalisation process to achieve programmes that allow graduates to obtain legal qualifications for more than one jurisdiction or other sophisticated elements of internationalisation. Elements are shown in order of simpler to more complex:

• international internships
• international research projects, and
• international networks.

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Relevant trends in Technology

Technology has been considered the second most important trend in legal education

Before Covid-19, technology was already the second trend in the legal education debate.
Technology: use of technology in legal practice, impact of technology in Legal Education, internet and law, legal technology and its outcomes in the legal market, needs for the evolution of legal education.

Technology after Covid-19
There is a completely new situation under Covid-19, where technology as a teaching tool has become a priority:
- Exploring new options for remote learning;
- Lack of face-to-face teaching;
- Switch to online teaching immediately;
- Live-streaming lectures;
- Increase exam flexibility;
- Gaps in the access to legal advice or legal training;
- Technology is an operational lifeline.

How to grow in the level of technology

Low level
For law schools that describe themselves as focused on technology but where there is no clear or distinctive elements of technology.

Medium level
Technology as a teaching tool:
- Online/blended programmes;
- Online webinars;
- Online conferences;
- Online examinations; and
- Online teaching.

High level
Technology as content in their programmes:
- Law and tech focus. Legal tech;
- Courses on technology (programming, technology);
- Prepare students for future online litigation;
- Programming skills;
- Interactive online teaching combined with interactive online activities.
The need for a new skill set is a very relevant trend in legal education.

New skills: Global society in addition to a global economy, employability and future, Globalisation/legal skills for the international practice of law, international skills for practice, legal new skills for a globalised practice, legal skills for the practice of law, professionalisation of curricula, reforms in Legal Education and new skills, new spaces to learn, new skills.

Many law schools teach skills for employability. Not many include management skills.

Skills after Covid-19
New skills are set to emerge after the Covid-19 pandemic: data analysis, multidisciplinary skills...

How to grow in the level of skills

Low level
Basic skills: legal skills, writing skills, oral skills.

High level
More sophisticated skills:
- Employability related skills: mediation, sociology, cultural diversity, management, entrepreneurship, communication, leadership, client oriented and technology;
- Professional skills;
- Practice-orientated skills;
- Vocational skills;
- Analytical and critical skills;
- Skills in the new legal market: client-friendly communication, commercial understanding, financial literacy, networking, teamwork, collaborative problem solving, legal tech skills, project management, adaptability, resilience.
Regulation of the legal education and the practice of law is also a relevant trend

Regulation is a key topic on the current debate on legal education. It is usually considered a limitation to internationalisation. Regulation is considered a smaller limitation when it comes to the increasing use of technology.

Regulation after Covid-19

The current pandemic has worsened the regulatory gaps for the legal education and the practice of law.
- Regulatory positions on the delivery of law programmes must be reviewed;
- Time and cost of law school, the curriculum, faculty composition, and the transition from degree factories to learning centres for life must be considered;
- Regulation must be designed to better serve legal consumers and society, not to shield lawyers from competition and access to justice.
conclusions & recommendations

Key Challenges

Most relevant challenge:
Regulation of Legal Education and the legal profession

This is a key topic in the current debate on legal education.

Regulation is usually considered a limitation to internationalisation.

Regulation is considered a smaller limitation in terms of the increasing use of technology. There is a new situation as a result of Covid-19.

Resources

The lack of resources are a limitation to internationalisation and inclusion of technology.

There is an increase in the cost / economic pressure on law schools.
conclusions & recommendations

Key Challenges per Region

UK and Ireland

Covid-19 and Brexit contributed to an ever-changing environment. Other challenges: (1) diversifying the postgraduate population, as part of diversifying income streams; (2) protecting staff research time; (3) looking after staff wellbeing more integrally; (4) making sure students acquire enough technological skills; and (5) social mobility. 

Regulatory frameworks that govern access to the legal profession in England and Wales, in Scotland, and in Ireland are not perceived as posing too many obstacles to developments or innovations in legal education. The new Solicitors Qualifying Examination (SQE) in place from 2021 will pose less restrictions in England and Wales. 

Law societies and bar council regulate entry to the profession, and there are requirements for a qualifying law degree; but there is in most law schools a degree of optionality and flexibility to choose from a range of optional modules.

US and Canada

Technology is changing societies - and their legal needs - at a very fast pace; there is an urgent need to strengthen the connection between education and the changes in the way law is being defined, understood, and practised.

Competition has grown: attracting both faculty and students is getting more difficult because of the economic context. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a significant decrease in students’ enrollment is anticipated and, therefore, it is reasonable to anticipate that competition will become even more intense. Regulatory frameworks to access the legal profession are a controversial issue: regulation is established by the federal and local bars, along with the government education departments. It is necessary as it controls access to legal profession and has a relevant influence in law schools’ curricula, but it is perceived as an obstacle for development and innovation in legal education.
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Key Challenges per Region

Continental Europe
Law schools in Europe compete with other law schools, but this can change due to: (1) law firms to offer in-house legal education to non-law graduates, (2) other institutions other than law schools that will offer online legal education.

Main challenges: Internationalisation of legal education. Keeping up with technological changes. Preparing students for a profession in transformation. Diversity is also seen as a current challenge (ie, cultural diversity).

Regulatory restrictions: (1) access to legal profession: high protectionism, (2) content of legal education, (3) language of instruction (Language of instruction for some countries has to be local language). There is always some space to innovate.

Reforms for legal education: (1) Liberalisation in study programmes and language of instruction, (2) More practical pedagogy and teaching methodology.

South East Asia, Australia and Hong Kong
The biggest challenge is to ensure that we equip our students for the real world of 21st century legal practice, which is changing so rapidly.

The Covid-19 crisis is making institutions who have been reliant on international student enrolment look to find more domestic students. The regulatory frameworks sometimes constitute an obstacle to developments and innovation in regards to undergraduate programmes. The content of these programmes is heavily regulated and prescribed and tends to reflect traditional approaches to the practice of law. These regulatory frameworks limit, to some extent, the offering of a more international legal education.
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Key Challenges per Region

Asia (Including Russia)

Technological developments will alter current legal system significantly (use of new and disruptive technologies, artificial intelligence in legal education). It is significant in changing the teacher’s attitude towards the educational process.

Some schools find regulation as excessively constraining their freedom, and innovation (curriculum, pedagogy, and freedom of faculty members, credits, teaching hours, reporting, admissions, and faculty hiring). Demand for more ‘space for freedom of action’, greater ‘flexibility’ to achieve excellence based on their comparative advantage.

Some of the positive sides of regulation: setting of entry-thresholds and minimum standards for law schools; bringing in organisation and order to legal education; predictability; transparency; and nexus between law schools and legal practice (this is due to the fact that in some cases the regulator is the Bar itself).

Other challenges relate to the different diversity gaps found in the Asian legal education (ie, gender diversity).

LAT-AM

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Africa

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Legal education should respond to the demands for competent and professional training and keep in touch with market trends and international best practices.

Diversity gaps in legal education are one of the three most relevant challenges in this region.

Areas to improve include the admission of unqualified students.
Conclusions

- **Internationalisation** is recognised in the legal education sector as a key trend. Many law schools are introducing elements of internationalisation but only some law schools are on their way to achieving full internationalisation of legal education.

- The use of technology was a trend before Covid-19. Due to Covid-19, the use of technology as a tool is a basic need.

- **Skills** are also a relevant trend in legal education. Basic skills (legal, oral and writing skills) are adopted by the vast majority of law schools. However, more sophisticated skills should be incorporated for the new legal market: client-friendly communication, commercial and financial understanding, networking, teamwork and legal tech skills.

- Regulation of legal education and access to the legal profession are limiting the space for innovation (including internationalisation) in legal education. **But some law schools do still find ways to be flexible.**

- Diversity of students and faculty members is seen as an increasing challenge in legal education in most regions. Not only in terms of internationalisation, but also diversity in its different variables: diversity in terms of location (rural/regional), gender diversity and cultural diversity.

- The Covid-19 pandemic has disrupted the previous necessities in the legal education sector. **Technology** becomes the first and main trend for legal education. Globalisation/internationalisation stands now behind the other trends. Other challenges such as **mental and physical health** or **equality** in terms of the access to legal education have emerged due to the pandemic.
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- University of Bristol
- University of Cambridge
- University of Durham
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Essex
- King's College London
- University of Lincoln
- London School of Economics
- The University of Manchester
- Maynooth University
- Oxford University
- Queen Mary University of London
- Queen's University (Belfast)
- University of Sheffield
- University of Strathclyde
- University of Sussex
- University College Dublin
- University College London
- University of York

### Region II: USA and Canada
- Yale University
- Stanford University
- Harvard University
- De Paul University
- Columbia University
- New York University
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Virginia
- University of Michigan
- Duke University
- Washington and Lee University
- Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago-Kent)
- Texas A&M University
- City University of New York
- University of Wisconsin
- North Carolina Central University
- University of the Pacific Mc George School of law
- Washington University Saint Louis
- Temple University
- Tulane University
- UC Hastings College of Law
- University of Missouri
- University of Georgia
- University of Denver
- University of Kansas
- University of Miami
- George Washington University
- University of Kentucky
- University of Illinois at Chicago
- American University
- Southwestern Law School
- Georgetown University
- Suffolk University
- Pepperdine University
- Samford University
- Regent University
- Roger Williams University
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of Chicago
- Cornell University
- Northwestern University
- Vanderbilt University
- Case Western Reserve University

- University of Texas - Austin
- Elon University
- Charleston School of Law
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## Region IV: Southeast Asia, Australia and Hong Kong

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- Griffith University
- La Trobe University
- The University of Newcastle
- University of New England
- Murdoch University
- Macquarie University
- Queensland University of Technology
- The University of Adelaide
- The University of Tasmania
- University of New South Wales
- University of Technology
- The University of Western Australia
- University of Sydney
- University of Melbourne
- The University of Queensland
- The University of Hong Kong
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- City University of Hong Kong
- Airlangga University
- Atma Jaya Catholic University
- Gadjah Mada University
- Jenderal Soedirman University
- Padjadjaran University
- Pancasila University
- Parahyangan Catholic University
- Tarumanagara University
- University of Indonesia
- University of Sumatera Utara
- Hanoi Law University
- Ho Chi Minh City University of Law
- University of Economics Ho Chi Minh City
- Chiang Mai University
- Chulalongkorn University
- Prince of Songkla University
- Rangsit University
- Thammasat University
- National University of Malaysia
- University of Malaya
- Islamic Science University of Malaysia
- Sultan Zainal Abidin University
- Ateneo de Manila University
- University of Philippines
- Royal Uni of Law & Economics
- Dagon University
- University of Mandalay
- University of Yangon
- University of Yangon
- Nanyang Technological University
- National University of Singapore
- Singapore Management University
- Singapore University of Social Sciences
- The University of Auckland
- Victoria University of Wellington
- University of Canterbury
- University of Otago
- Mawlamyine University
- Indonesia Jentera
- Narotama University
- University of Trunojoyo Madura
- Institute of Legal Science - Ministry of Justice
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Region V: Latin America

- Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla
- Escola de Direito de São Paulo da Fundação Getúlio Vargas
- Instituto Politécnico Nacional
- Pontificia Universidade Católica de São Paulo
- Pontificia Universidad Católica do Rio de Janeiro
- Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
- Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso
- Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
- Universidad Externado de Colombia
- Universidad Adolfo Ibañez
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- Universidad Austral
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- Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán
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- Universidad de Puerto Rico
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- EAFIT
- Universidad la Gran Colombia
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- Universidad Mayor
- Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México
- Universidad Nacional de Colombia
- Universidad Nacional de San Martín
- Universidad Peruana de Ciencias Aplicadas
- Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana
- Universidad San Sebastian
- Universidad Tecnológica de Monterrey
- Universidad Valparaiso
- Universidade de Brasília
- Universidade de São Paulo
- Universidade do Estado da Bahia
- Universidade Estadual de Londrina
- Universidade Estadual do Oeste do Paraná
- Universidade Estadual do Rio de Janeiro
- Universidade Federal de Goiás
- Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais
- Universidade Federal de Pelotas
- Universidade Federal de Santa Maria
- Universidade Federal do Paraná
- Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro
- Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul
- Universidade Federal Rural do Semi-Árido
- Universidade Nove de Julho
- Universidade Presbiteriana Mackenzie
- Universidade Vale do Itajaí
- Universidade Vila Velha
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Region VI: Asia (including Russia)

- China University of Political Science
- Renmin University of China
- Peking University
- Tsinghua University
- East China University of Political Science and Law
- Wuhan University
- Southwest China University of Political Science and Law
- Nanjing University of China
- Shanghai Jiaotong University
- Zhongnan University of Economics and Law
- Jilin University
- University of International Business and Economics
- Zhejiang University
- Xiamen University
- Beijing Aerospace University
- Beijing Normal University
- Nankai University
- Northwest University of Political Science and Law
- Liaoning University
- Fudan University
- National Law School of India University
- Lomonosov Moscow State University
- National Research University Higher School of Economics
- Saint Petersburg State University
- Moscow State Institute of International Relations
- Novosibirsk State University
- National Research Tomsk State University
- Kazan Federal University
- Academy of Labour and Social Relations
- Dostoevsky Omsk State University
- Ufa Law Institute of Ministry of Internal Affairs
- Saratov State Academy of Law
- Russian State Academy of Intellectual Property
- The State University of Management
- Moscow University of Finance and Law
- The Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration
- South Ural State University
- Voronezh State University
- Tomsk State University of Control Systems and Radioelectronics
- Moscow City Teacher Training University
- Moscow State Linguistic University
- National Law School of India University
- IIT- Kharagpur
- National Law School of India University
- O.P. Jindal Global University
- National Law School of India University
- Delhi University
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- Savitriai Phule Pune University
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- Symbiosis University
- National Law School of India University: Law School: - Damodaram Sanjivayya National Law University, Visakhapatnam; Chanakya National Law University, Patna and the National Law University, Cuttack
### Region VII: Africa

- Alexandria University (AU)
- Ambrose Alli University
- Assiut University
- Bayero University Kano
- Behna University
- Beni Suef University
- University of Cairo
- Ghana School of Law
- University of Liberia
- Makere University
- National University of Lesotho
- Nelson Mandela University
- Obafemi Awolowo University
- North West University
- Rhodes University
- Sierra Leone Law School
- Stellenbosch University
- Strathmore University
- Tanta University
- University of dar es salaam
- Badji Mokhtar University/Annaba University
- University of Botswana
- University of Calabar
- University of Cape Town
- University of Fort Hare
- University of Ghana
- University of Ibadan
- University of Johannesburg
- University of Kwazulu-Natal
- University of Lagos
- University of Limpopo
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- University of Malawi
- University Of Nairobi
- University of Nigeria
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- Sfax University
- University of South Africa
- University of the Free State (UFS)
- University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg
- University of Venda (UNIVEN)
- University of the Western Cape
- University of Zambia
- University of Zululand
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survey questions

- Which kind of institution are you?
- Do these international elements apply to your law school?
- Does your law school provide Dual / Joint programs with a University in a different jurisdiction?
- Does your law school provide programs to train students in at least two different legal systems?
- Is your law school trying to attract larger numbers of international students?
- Is your law school faculty international?
- Is your law school currently trying to expand the international content of the programs?

- What is the situation of enrollment of the undergraduate student population in your law school programs?
- What is the situation of enrollment of the graduate student population in your law school programs?
- What is the situation of enrollment of international students in your law school programs?
- Do you perceive an increased competition amongst law schools in your region to attract students and faculty?
- Does your law school compete with law schools in other regions (other countries) to attract students and faculty?
- Does your law school focus on employability skills by teaching communication skills?

- Does your law school focus on employability skills by teaching management skills?
- Does your law school focus on employability skills by teaching practice-related skills?
- Is your school growing in multidisciplinary programs?
- Does your law school offer management courses within the legal programs?
- Is the faculty in your law school trained to use technology as a teaching tool?
- Does your law school offer law students the possibility to solve simulated legal disputes in electronic environments (on line dispute resolution)?
- Does your law school offer law students the possibility to learn subjects such as data analytics and/or coding?
- Does your law school provide online teaching?
- Do you consider that the regulatory framework that governs access to the legal profession constitutes an obstacle to offering a more international legal education at your law school?
- Do you consider that the academic regulations constitute a limitation to design programs with a more international approach?
- Do you consider that the applicable academic regulations constitute an obstacle to increase the use of technological teaching solutions at your law school?
Do you consider that the academic regulations constitute an obstacle to increase the content of technology-related subjects within the curriculum at your law school?

In your region, are law schools the only legal institutions responsible for training lawyers?

Do you compete with other institutions different to law schools?

Do you consider that financial resources are a major constraint for developing the following aspects at your law school?

Have you experienced an increase of costs in the delivery of legal education in the recent years?*refers to costs to law schools

Do you think that legal education is becoming more expensive over time?

Have you experienced an increase economic pressure on law school to grow in revenues and profitability?

Which do you consider the major challenge for your law school?

Please state the other major challenges to your law school?

Do these international elements apply to law schools in your region?

Do law schools in your region provide programs to train students in at least two different legal systems?

Do you think law schools need to attract more international students by offering programs that are more attractive for them?

Do you think law schools need to attract international faculty?

Do you think law schools need to expand the international content or programs?

Does your institution offer training for lawyers on communication skills?

Does your institution offer training for lawyers on management skills?

Does your institution offer training for lawyers on practice-related skills?

Do you think it is necessary for law schools to prepare students for employment by teaching communication skills?

Do you think it is necessary for law schools to prepare students for employment by teaching management skills?

Do you think it is necessary for law schools to prepare students for employment by teaching practice-orientated skills?

Do you think law schools should offer multidisciplinary programs

Do you think law schools should include technology as part of their programs in Law, by introducing some courses on Legal Technology?

Do you think law schools should offer programs fully focused on law and technology?

Is the regulation to access the legal profession an obstacle for offering a more international legal education in your region?

In your region, are law schools the only legal institutions responsible for training lawyers?

Does your institution compete with law schools in legal education activities?

Which do you consider the major challenges in legal education?
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- Gabriel Bocksan - Dean of the School of Law, Universidad de Chile
- Professor Oscar Vilhena, director at FGV São Paulo Law School (FGV);
- Professor Arthur Laércio Homci, at Centro Universitário do Pará (CESUPA);
- Professor Beatriz Rosa, at Universidade de Fortaleza (UNIFOR);
- Professor Mário Luiz Ribeiro at Centro Universitário da Fundação Educacional de Barretos and Chairman of the Exam Commission at the Brazilian Bar Association;
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interview questions

Globalization/Internationalization

- How does your Law School approach internationalization? Which activities / projects have you developed to promote a more international legal education?
- Do you have a strategy to attract more international students? If so, could you briefly describe it?
- Do you have a strategy to offer a more international legal education (in terms of content)? Could you briefly describe it?
- Does your Law School grow at a comparable rate in national and international students?
- Do you perceive an increasing trend in law students’ mobility?

Technology

- Does your Law School offer online or blended programs (part face to face, part on line)?
- Does your school include contents on technology as mandatory or elective courses? If so, which ones?
- Is most of your faculty familiar with the use of technology as a teaching tool?
- Does your school join forces with the legal profession or the public administration (for example, the judiciary) to develop legal tech tools or to debate about the legal tech needs? If so, do you have a formal or informal channel for this?
- Is your Law School faculty involved in research projects concerning law and technology? Could you briefly describe them?
- Does your School have a program (e.g. an incubator) to develop law and technology solutions?

Regulation/Liberalization (Legal profession and legal education)

- Do you consider that the regulatory frameworks that govern access to the legal profession in your jurisdiction and higher (legal) education constitute an obstacle to developments or innovation at your Law School? If so, could you explain why?
- Do the abovementioned regulatory frameworks limit the offering of a more international legal education at your Law School? *We refer here to limitations dictated by the access to the legal profession regulator such as language of teaching and national / domestic content of the programs that poses difficulties to teach in other languages and/or to include content that is international.
- Do you consider that the applicable regulations constitute an obstacle to increase the use of technological teaching solutions at your Law School? (i.e., some countries limit the use of online teaching in official programs).
- Do you consider necessary a reform of legal education in your country? Is so, in which terms?
- Does your Law School collaborate with Bar Associations/Law Society/Law firms on a regular basis? Do you have a formal collaboration with any of these legal institutions in order to work on regulatory or market related issues?
Resources

- Do you believe there is a new economic context for Law Schools?
- Have you experienced an increased economic pressure on Law Schools within your region to grow revenues and profitability?
- Have you experienced an increase of costs in the delivery of legal education?
- Is legal education becoming more expensive for students? If so, which is/are the reason/s?
- Do you consider that financial resources constitute a major constrain to develop the internationalization of the Law School?
- Do you consider financial resources as a major constrain to develop the use of technology in the Law School, both as a teaching tool and as a content?

Employability related Skills

- Are you aware of a disconnection between legal education and the practice of law?
- Are you aware of a mismatch between the skills students develop at Law School and the skills the professional market requires?
- Which are the new skills that the legal market is demanding?
- How does your school train students with employability, communication and management skills?
- Does your Law School offer career advice to students? Does it offer assistance to find placements in the job market?
- Are your students aware of emerging changes in the legal marketplace (e.g. the rise of alternative legal service providers)? Do your students consider those emerging players as career options, and if so how do they compare them vis-à-vis other players? Does your Law School offer students support to develop a career in these kinds of emerging jobs?
- Does your Law School train students in professional ethics and professional identity? Which are the courses and approximate hours of teaching?
- How do you increase the sensitivity among students with ethical issues that can arise in legal practice?

Multidisciplinarity

- Do you believe there is a trend for multidisciplinary programs in Law Schools? If so, how does your Law School respond to this trend?
- Which non-legal areas do you include in your programs? (I.e. finance, accounting, economics, science, technology ...)
- Do you teach entrepreneurship in your Law Schools?
- Do you promote entrepreneurship among law students? If so, how do you do this?
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