Application and Selection Standards for the
University of Maryland Carey School of Law-University of Chile
Student Exchange Program

The University of Maryland Carey School of Law has established a student exchange program with the University of Chile (Facultad de Derecho de la Universidad de Chile) in Santiago, Chile (“Chile Exchange Program”). Under the Chile Exchange Program up to two University of Maryland law students per year may study in the fall semester at the University of Chile and transfer up to 14 credits toward their J.D. degree.

Application Requirements

All University of Maryland Carey law students who have completed one year of study and are in good standing may apply for the Chile Exchange Program. Under the rules of the program, the University of Maryland may not send more than two students per year. Students interested in participating in the program for the upcoming fall semester must submit an application to Crystal Edwards (Suite 260), by February 15. The application must contain:

1. A completed Application Form for Participation by School by J.D. students in the Chile Exchange Program including the name of a reference from a member of the faculty of the law school. The application form is available at the School of Law’s webpage for the International and Comparative Law Program (http://www.law.umaryland.edu/specialty/international/externships.asp);
2. A University of Maryland Carey School of Law transcript/grade report;
3. A current resume; and
4. A statement of up to 500 words describing your educational objectives and reasons for wanting to participate in the Chile Exchange Program.

Selection Standards

Each spring members of the International Law Program Committee (the “Committee”) responsible for overseeing the Exchange Program will select students from among the eligible applicants to participate in the program during the following fall semester. Applicants must also demonstrate to the Committee that they have sufficient command of the Spanish language to participate fully and successfully in a social and academic environment that is entirely in Spanish. The Committee will exercise its discretion to select the overall best academic and ambassadorial representative of the School of Law based upon each applicant’s academic and other record at the law school, the strength of the personal statement, and any information from the faculty reference. The Committee will in general give preference to rising third-year applicants in making its selection. After selection by the Committee, the selected student(s) will have the responsibility to complete and forward in a timely manner to the University of Chile all required application materials for acceptance by the University of Chile. Participation in the Chile Exchange Program does not exempt students from any requirements for the J.D. degree at the School of Law.