

AVIATION AND SPACE LAW

The frequent interaction of human beings with aviation and space technologies in the twenty and twenty-first century has facilitated the growth of International Air and Space Law as a specialized field of legal study. The regulation of International Aviation has been a matter of specialized discussion and debates ever since the Wright Brothers flew in the sky and Vostok 1 conducted the first successful human spaceflight. Initially freedom in air and the sovereignty of the states over airspace was the starting point of these debates. Later on, more complex issues of international aviation contracts, public international legal regulations on aviation and space activities, air traffic management, liabilities in case of accidents, environmental regulation, aviation finance joined the club.

Very lately with the launch of Bangabandhu Satellite-1, Bangladesh entered the space age. However, there was no scope for pursuing a comprehensive study on the entire legal regime on air, aviation and space in the South Asian region. Therefore, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Aviation and Aerospace University (BSMRAAU) has taken the noble initiative to introduce a specialized LLM program International Air and Space Law (IASL). The LLM program on IASL aims to develop an extraordinary circuit of legal professionals specialized on aviation and space matters.

The completion of LLM program on IASL ensures an internationally recognized qualification on matters involving legal affairs of aviation and space matters. The BSMRAAU offers a well-equipped and one of its kind specialized library and support facility for a LLM on IASL. The students shall gain both doctrinal and practical knowledge from leading experts of the relevant courses. Students shall be trained through lecture-based classes, group works, presentations, moot courts, assignments and authoring law review articles. The flexible schedule enables students to complete this qualification whilst balancing work/life commitments. At the same time, the rigorous legal training shall hone your skill to pursue a career in academia, legal practice and aviation sector.

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

- Academia
- Government and Non-government agency
- Space Organization like the SPARRSO, European Space Agency
- Law Firms or Consulting Firms with an aviation and space law practice
- Air Traffic Services
- Legal Adviser at national and international Airlines
- Legal Departments of Airports, Airlines and Aerospace Companies
- Civil Aviation Authority

Master of Laws (LLM) in

International Air and Space Law (IASL)

The LLM in International Air and Space Law (IASL) program will be for a period of two academic years which consist of four semesters, carrying 44 credits. A student will be required to take all the courses offered by the Department of Aviation and Space Law in all the semesters. Moreover, at the application of the student, the Department shall facilitate a non-credit internship with reputed organizations in the 2nd year of the program. The courses list is given below:

First Year First Semester

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
ASL 6101	Introduction to Air and Space Law	3
ASL 6102	Principles of Public International Law	3
ASL 6103	Fundamentals of Public International Air Law	3
ASL 6204	Aviation Safety and Security Law	3
ASL 6205	Principles of Private International Air Law	3
ASL 6206	Aviation Laws of Bangladesh	3
ASL 6207	Airline Business and Law	3
ASL 6308	Legal Research and Writing	3
ASL 6309	Fundamentals of International Space Law	3
ASL 6310	Space Law: National & International Institutions	3
ASL 6311	Telecommunication Law	3
ASL 6412	Aviation Financing and Contracts	3
ASL 6413	Thesis	8
	Total	44

Non-credit Internship

Apart from lecturing the students on methods of legal research, this module shall facilitate the postgraduate students gain practical insights into the aviation and space industry. The Department has negotiated several Memorandum of Understanding with leading airlines, institutions and authorities from home and abroad. At the application of the student, the Department may arrange an internship at any of such institutions. However, the internship shall not be counted as a credit course.