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MEMORANDUM

To: Julio Frenk
University President

From: Tomás A. Salerno
Chair, Faculty Senate

Date: April 21, 2016

Subject: Faculty Senate Legislation #2015-37(B) – Rename LL.M. in Ocean and Coastal Law
TO LL.M. in Maritime Law, School of Law

The Faculty Senate, at its April 20, 2016 meeting, had no objections to the proposal submitted by the School of Law to rename its LL.M. in Ocean and Coastal Law to the LL.M. in Maritime Law. The new name is all-encompassing and universally understood within the field of admiralty law. The goal of the requested name change is to attract a wider pool of students seeking a career in both domestic and international markets of maritime law.

This legislation is now forwarded to you for your action.


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Enclosure

cc: Thomas LeBlanc, Executive Vice President and Provost
Patricia White, Dean, School of Law
Bernard Oxman, Chair, LL.M. Program, School of Law
Carmen Perez-Llorca, Director, International Graduate Law Program

CAPSULE: Faculty Senate Legislation #2015-37(B) – Rename LL.M. in Ocean and Coastal Law TO LL.M. in Maritime Law, School of Law

PRESIDENT’S RESPONSE

APPROVED:  DATE: 5/10/16
(President’s Signature)

OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL TO IMPLEMENT: Dean Patricia White

EFFECTIVE DATE OF LEGISLATION: IMMEDIATELY
(if other than June 1 next following)

NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO: _____

REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED): _____

Request to change name of LL.M. program from LL.M. in Ocean & Coastal Law to LL.M. in Maritime Law

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Submission to Faculty Senate:

March 30, 2016

Program Information:

<http://www.law.miami.edu/academics/international-graduate-law-programs/llm-ocean-coastal-law>

Attached is a request to change the name of the LL.M. Program. This change has been requested by the Program Chair and Director of IGLP, and was approved by the faculty on March 23, 2016 as documented in the attached letter from Dean Patricia White, Law School.

Proposal to Change the Name of the LL.M. in Ocean & Coastal Law International Graduate Law Programs March 25, 2015

Overview

The LL.M. in Ocean & Coastal Law is a graduate program designed to prepare attorneys to become specialists in the domestic and international legal problems associated with the use and protection of the marine environment. The program has a flexible approach that allows students to customize their degree to their particular area of interest within maritime law.

Name Change Request

The following name change, which has been approved by the Faculty at the School of Law, is proposed for Faculty Senate approval:

| Current Name | Proposed Name |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| LL.M. in Ocean & Coastal Law | LL.M. in Maritime Law |

The new name is all-encompassing and universally understood, and will help recruiting efforts both in the domestic and international markets. The main goal of this change is to be able to attract a wider pool of students seeking a career in the following areas of maritime law:

- Students interested in learning about the laws governing ocean resources along with their implementation in a global context, and who want to pursue a career path in public international law of the sea or work with a public agency.
- Students interested in admiralty seeking a career in private law, either in a law firm or working in-house with a shipping company, maritime insurance company or a cruise line.
- Students interested in understanding the competing interests of development and the protection of the marine and coastal ecosystems and who seek to prepare for policy-making, practicing or teaching in the marine environmental law field.

Program Requirements

As currently defined, the Program requires students to complete 24 credits with a minimum GPA of 2.30/4.0 and take the following mandatory courses:

- Admiralty
- Coastal Law
- International Law
- Law of the Sea

In addition, students are required to complete a writing requirement. Students with a foreign law degree also take Introduction to US Law and Legal Communication and Research, which are mandatory for international students in all graduate programs.

Basic Program requirements will remain the same, although the course offering is expected to increase by adding new courses that can be of interest to both JD and LL.M. students.

Admissions

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis through the year with a priority deadline of May 1st. An online application, an application fee, a statement of purpose, undergraduate transcripts, two letters of recommendation and a TOEFL score (for foreign law graduates) are required as part of the application.

Admissions requirements will remain the same.

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To: Faculty Senate
From: Patricia D. White
Dean and Professor of Law
Date: March 29, 2016
Subject: Law School's LL.M. in Maritime Law

Patricia D. White

On March 23, 2016 the Dean and Law School Faculty unanimously approved to change the name of the "LL.M. in Ocean & Coastal Law" to "LL.M. in Maritime Law".

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me at 305-284-2394.

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 5, 2016

TO: Sandra Abraham, Executive Liaison
Interdisciplinary Programs and Initiatives
School of Law

FROM: David E. Wiles, Executive Director
Assessment and Accreditation 

SUBJECT: Name Change for LL.M. in Ocean & Coastal Law to LL.M. in Maritime Law

On March 30, 2016, the School of Law submitted a proposal notifying our office of its intent to rename its LL.M. in Ocean and Coastal Law to the LL.M. in Maritime Law beginning in the fall of 2016.

The proposed name will be all-encompassing and universally understood, benefitting recruitment efforts both in domestic and international markets. The main goal of the name change is to attract a wider pool of students seeking a career in maritime law. Admission and curriculum requirements will remain the same as the current program and will not require the hiring of additional faculty or infrastructure resources.

Although a letter of notification will be submitted, the program name change is not considered substantive and will not require formal approval from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) in order to proceed with its implementation.

Please feel free to contact our office should you have any further questions (305) 284-9431.

cc: Faculty Senate
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