ETHICS & LEGAL STUDIES DOCTORAL PROGRAM

The Ethics & Legal Studies Doctoral Program at Wharton invites applications for Fall 2018. Wharton's PhD program in Ethics & Legal Studies is the first doctoral program of its kind. The program focuses on the study of ethics and law in business. Graduates of the program go on to careers in university teaching and research at leading business schools and other programs.

Students take a core set of courses in the areas of philosophical ethics and law in business, along with courses in an additional disciplinary concentration such as management, philosophy, law, or marketing. Faculty research in the Legal Studies & Business Ethics Department at Wharton concentrates on several broad areas: business ethics, business law, negotiation, legal and moral theory, and international ethical and legal issues.

The course of study for the PhD requires the completion of sixteen graduate course units, including courses in ethical theory, strategy, and statistics. Some graduate-level credit from courses at other universities may transfer to Wharton. In addition to course work, successful students must pass two comprehensive exams, one in ethics and one in law, before advancing to write a dissertation. The expected time required to complete the degree is five years. Students should plan to be in residence for all five years. Prior coursework in ethics, law, social sciences, or philosophy is considered a plus, though no formal degrees in any one of these areas is a prerequisite.

All entering students will receive tuition waivers and health insurance, as well as an annual living stipend, contingent upon good standing. The application deadline is December 15 each year. Strong GRE or GMAT scores are required. GRE scores are preferred, but GMAT scores are accepted. The last possible test date for the GRE and GMAT is December 15. Official results must be available by mid-January.

To enrich the field of business academia and research, we encourage applicants from all personal backgrounds.

Program information may be obtained online at the following web address: https://doctoral.wharton.upenn.edu/ethics-legal-studies/. Applicants may apply online for the Doctoral Program. https://doctoral.wharton.upenn.edu/apply-wharton/.