



## SOP FOR LAW SCHOOL

Globalization, and later technological evolution, has ushered in a new era of international commerce and investment and business scenarios where the role of law firms that deal with such disputes has become increasingly imperative and crucial. Having practiced as a lawyer in varying capacities, I have understood the same and the opportunities it bestows upon an enterprising aspirant to become as a prolific international law professional. As such, I am certain that the MIDS program will prepare me to take on the challenges effectively, and it is with this realization that I seek to get admission to the MIDS program.

Even from the formative years of my education, I have constantly tried to excel in all my academic endeavors. I was a very responsible student who never failed to execute my academic duties, and the fact that I have been able to bag the merit award from my school for consecutive ten years speaks volumes of my hard work and conscientious nature. This has carried over to my higher secondary, under graduate and post graduate courses where I fared excellently well as well.

The motivation to become a lawyer was instilled in me by my maternal grandfather who was a Sessions Judge at the Allahabad District Court, U.P. As a child it was fascinating for me to have the power to serve justice to the innocent. As I grew up, my fascination towards the profession shaped into utmost respect for the profession than anything and when the time came for me to decide upon the career I wanted, I chose to be a lawyer. I have done my undergraduate course and post graduate course in law in India and I have fared all through my academic endeavors exceptionally well. As part of my curriculum of the under graduate and post graduate courses, I was introduced to the concepts of international law and dispute settlement which, however, were not discussed in detail. After the master program, while I was practicing in different roles and capacities as a lawyer, I came across various instances of dispute settlements, international arbitration and other business related concerns. As I was able to understand the time, efforts and money spent by various companies to get their side come on top, I understood the opportunities that await an enterprising lawyer like me in the dispute settlement and international arbitrary scenario. This led me to search for a befitting course that would endow me with the right training and insights into international arbitration and dispute settlement laws and its implications.

My researches have helped me understand that the one-year course would endow me with all the necessary discernment and knowledge I require to mold myself as an ardent international arbitration and dispute settlement professional. In my endeavors to ensure that I am making the right step to secure my career, I have thoroughly scrutinized the program and understood that it comprehensively addresses and delves deep into all the contemporary approaches related to the subject matter, encompassing public and private international laws, and sheds light on into a range of today's relevant fields, such as business and investment arbitration, WTO dispute resolution and all the related proceedings before the ICJ. I have also understood that the program offers excellent flexibility for the candidate to make sure that they get the best exposure in the field they are aiming to focus their career on.

As the institute is one-of-a-kind in the world offering, I have carried out quite a few researches about the academic infrastructure and the research capabilities of the institute, and the insights that I have been able to derive from the same has been excellent and encouraging. I have learned that the institute focuses equally on the pedagogic and pragmatic aspects of the study and it strives to equip the aspirants with all the necessary proficiencies, profundities and the competencies needed to grow as an exceptional dispute settlement and arbitrary professional. It was also inspiring to know about the experiential learning methods adopted by the institute by means of site visits, workshops in legal writing skills, participation in major academic conferences and symposia and other internship opportunities. I am affirmative that the support of the most venerated and professionally experienced professors in international dispute settlement coming from around the world, will undoubtedly mentor me into an ardent international dispute settlement and arbitration professional with deep erudition in the field.

As a foreign national aspiring to pursue the program, I am very much aware of all the financial obligations that I need to fulfill. In order to support the study I am trying to obtain a few scholarships. I am confident that the scholarships will be more than adequate to fund my course. After the program, I would like to continue my quest to equip myself with relevant and exceptional understanding in the similar area of international law and dispute settlement and do PhD on the same to take up the profession of teaching.