



# CERTIFICATE COURSE IN TRANSNATIONAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION and Modern Technologies



# About National Law University, Delhi



National Law University Delhi (NLU Delhi) is one of India's foremost institutions dedicated to legal education and research. Established in 2008, the University has earned a stellar reputation for academic excellence, innovation, and its commitment to shaping future leaders in law, policy, and justice.

At the heart of NLU Delhi's philosophy is a rigorous, interdisciplinary approach that blends theoretical foundations with practical insight. The University offers a dynamic and intellectually stimulating environment where students engage with some of the most respected legal minds in the country.

NLU Delhi is home to cutting-edge research centres and initiatives that address contemporary legal challenges, from constitutional law and criminal justice to technology policy and human rights. Its vibrant campus culture encourages critical thinking, ethical reasoning, and a strong sense of social responsibility.

With a focus on academic rigor, real-world impact, and global engagement, National Law University Delhi continues to redefine the landscape of legal education in India, preparing students not just for careers but for meaningful contributions to society.

## **About the Course**

Transnational dispute resolution covers both substantive and procedural aspects of cross-border disputes. It operates across various forums, including national courts, ad hoc tribunals, and permanent international courts. Key issues include forum non conveniens, choice of law, enforcement of foreign judgments, and cross-border evidence. It also includes investment arbitration, conciliation, and other ADR mechanisms.

Transnational commercial law refers to rules governing international commercial transactions, drawn from conventions, treaties, domestic laws. and commercial customs. Unlike international economic law, which focuses on state relations. this area concerns private law and cross-border dealings between private parties. Familiarity with these principles is essential for legal professionals navigating today's globalised practice.

The growing movement of goods and people across borders has led to a rise in disputes involving foreign elements. While ADR methods like arbitration and mediation are increasingly preferred, litigation continues to play a key role—both in supervising ADR and serving as a default forum where parties cannot agree on alternative mechanisms.

Private international law determines how courts handle disputes with foreign elements, helping resolve questions like where to sue, which law applies, and how judgments from one jurisdiction are recognized in another.



## **About the Course**



In principle, Private International Law (PIL) forms a part of each country's national legal system. However, several international institutions work towards codifying and harmonizing PIL rules through supranational regimes. While this course focuses primarily on the key features of India's private international law framework, students will also explore PIL issues across various fields such as contracts, torts, and family law.

Particular attention will be given to the work of key international bodies such as the Hague Conference on Private International Law, UNCITRAL, and UNIDROIT, along with the growing influence of European Union institutions in shaping and implementing PIL rules.

A key contemporary challenge for Private International Law is the impact of digitalisation. With individuals using cloud services hosted abroad, communicating globally, and investing in decentralized digital assets like cryptocurrencies, new legal questions arise: Which law applies to assets without a clear location? How should courts handle online defamation with a global audience? Can technology, such as international video conferencing, be used to streamline crossborder proceedings? These are some of the pressing questions the course will address.

# Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes



This course aims to provide students with a strong conceptual foundation in Private International Law (PIL), with a particular emphasis on the Indian legal framework and its interaction with global developments. Students will explore how different legal systems address cross-border disputes and the role of PIL in increasingly an interconnected world shaped by globalisation, privatisation, and liberalisation.

The course will focus on three core aspects of Indian PIL: jurisdiction, choice of law, and the recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments. Through case studies and comparative analysis, students will engage with how Indian courts handle disputes involving foreign elements and how foreign legal systems are interpreted and applied within Indian courts.

In addition, students will be introduced to major international and regional developments in the field, including the work of institutions such as the Hague Conference on Private International Law, UNCITRAL, UNIDROIT, and the European Union. The course will encourage students to consider the social and cultural dimensions of PIL and its practical application in a globalised legal environment.

# Upon successful completion, students will be able to:

- Understand key differences between global legal systems.
- Analyse core principles of PIL and their links to globalisation, privatisation, and liberalisation.
- Gain familiarity with international PIL frameworks and institutions (Hague Conference, UNCITRAL, UNIDROIT, EU).
- Assess PIL issues from comparative, international, and socio-cultural perspectives.

# What Is Unique About This Course?



- Comprehensive Coverage: This course transcends traditional legal education, immersing you in the practical responsibilities and strategic thinking required for transnational dispute resolution.
- **Practical Insights from Experts:** Learn from distinguished faculty and industry professionals who bring real-world experience and cuttingedge research into the classroom.
- Hands-on Learning: Engage in interactive sessions, case studies, and simulations replicating real-world dispute resolution scenarios.
- Intensive Commitment Required: This rigorous course demands your full commitment. To earn your certificate, you must complete all required assignments and actively participate in class discussions. Interactive
- Classes and High-Quality Discussions: Participate in dynamic, interactive classes where high-quality discussions will help clarify your doubts.
- **Detailed Feedback:** Receive comprehensive feedback on your assignments to enhance your understanding and performance. This feedback is designed to help you refine your skills and approach to transnational dispute resolution

# **Target Participants**









- Legal Professionals: Practicing lawyers, In-house counsel, Legal advisors Paralegals, Arbitrators, Mediators
- Academics and Researchers:
   Law professors, Researchers in international and commercial law
- Law Students: Students pursuing LLB, LLM, or other legal degrees with an interest in international law
- Business Professionals:
   Corporate executives, Business owners, Contract managers,
   Compliance officers
- Government Officials: Policy makers, Diplomats, Regulatory authorities
- International Organisations:
   Members of international legal bodies, Employees of NGOs dealing with cross-border legal issues
- Consultants: Management consultants specializing in international business, Legal consultants
- Finance Professionals: Bankers, Investment analysts, Financial advisors involved in international transactions
- Tech Professionals: Individuals working in legal tech, Professionals interested in the impact of emerging technologies on international law

# **Our Expert Faculty**

Prof. (Dr.) Risham Garg

Professor of Law and Executive Director at the Centre for Transnational Commercial Law, National Law University Delhi. An expert in Corporate Insolvency, Transnational Commercial Law, and Dispute Resolution, he is also a recipient of a Doctorate in Law and regularly contributes to policy, academia, and legal reforms.



Mr. Varun Pathak

Partner at Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co. Specializing in corporate and financial transactions, Mr. Pathak advises leading Indian and international clients on M&A, restructuring, and private equity transactions. His work bridges legal expertise with commercial strategy.



Mr. Vijayendra Pratap Singh

Senior Partner & Head of Litigation, AZB & Partners, Delhi. With over 24 years of experience, he leads domestic and international dispute resolution, appearing regularly before the Supreme Court and SIAC. He advises on banking, corporate, regulatory, insolvency, and public-interest matters. Ranked Band 1 in Chambers Asia-Pacific 2025.



# **Eligibility & Course Structure**



Candidates **must** be a Graduate in any discipline; In case of candidates enrolled in an integrated undergraduate course of **4/5 years**, they must be in the **4th or 5th year** of their course.



#### **Duration**

The course runs from August to November 2025. Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM, with two 2-hour classes per week.



### **Pedagogy**

The course will be delivered through two 2-hour classes per week, combining lectures, readings, discussions, and case studies. The focus will be on building both theoretical knowledge and practical skills.



#### Layout

The course is divided into five thematic modules, covering key aspects of transnational dispute resolution and private international law.



#### **Evaluation**

There will be continuous assessment throughout the course and examinations at the end. The continuous assessment includes session participation, quizzes, assignments, and practical exercises.

# **Courses Offered**

The programme offers one comprehensive Diploma and four specialised Certificate courses. All courses are delivered fully **online**, with live sessions scheduled on **Sundays (10:00 AM – 1:00 PM)**, supported by interactive content, recorded lectures, and self-paced learning modules.

Participants completing all four certificate courses will be awarded the Diploma. Those completing individual sub-courses will receive the respective Certificate.

| Module No. | Name of The Module   |
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| 1          | Understanding Transnational Commercial Law.                              |
| 2          | Applicable Law in Cross-border Commercial and Civil Disputes             |
| 3          | Key Legal Issues in Transnational/International Commercial<br>Litigation |
| 4          | Enforcement of Foreign Judgements and International Civil<br>Procedure   |
| 5          | Emerging Issues in Transnational Commercial Law                          |



Interested candidates must fill out the official application form using the link given https://odl.nludelhi.ac.in/ or by scanning the QR code below:



#### Important Instructions

- Ensure you meet the eligibility criteric before applying.
- Complete all required fields in the form carefully.
- Upload supporting documents as specified.
- Once submitted, a confirmation will be sent to your registered email.

Last Date to Apply is: 1st August 2025

## **Contact**

For any assistance during the application process, feel free to contact us at:

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