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Unleashing the Power of Legal Profession through Education

Law colleges and schools are redefining the paradigms of legal profession with a visionary zeal. Innovative curricula and excellent faculty are empowering young minds to make informed decisions about choosing the noble profession. Outlook's 30 best private law institution ranking, says it all.



Significance of Law & Justice

Law is what drives the safety, security and fair play when disputes arise among people of a nation and even impacts international justice between nations. To say the least, law is the foundation on which the semblance of a society is hinged to. Better the law frameworks and its implementation in true letter and spirit, the more conducive is the social environment

for ensuring over-all progress. There is no denying that law is what makes the world move sans which the social order and justice is in peril. In the last decade and a half, in particular, the legal profession has undergone a paradigm shift sprouting new offshoots of legal branches with the evolving needs of societies and nations. Setting new frame-work in accordance to changing times has

resulted in building, improving and revamping legal studies, as response. Law sets the legal boundaries and frameworks to uphold justice. For those who are bold, dynamic and sensitive towards the problems of people then they are cut out for a legal career. The profession not only comes with respect and its perks, but both, challenges and satisfaction of helping others by standing up for what is right.

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Beyond the Courtroom...

Trinity Institute of Professional Studies, Dwarka rooted in academic rigour and guided by a commitment to justice, the Department of Legal Studies at TIPS shapes minds into confident, future-ready legal professionals.

Where the gavel of knowledge meets the scales of justice — the Department of Legal Studies at Trinity Institute of Professional Studies, is not just a place to study law, but a place to live it.

The Department of Legal Studies at Trinity Institute of Professional Studies (TIPS), located in Dwarka, New Delhi, stands as a distinguished centre for legal education in India. Established in 2007, TIPS has steadily grown into one of the most sought-after institutions affiliated with Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University (GGSIPU), earning a NAAC 'A' accreditation and an A+ grade from the SFRC, Government of Delhi — a testament to its unwavering commitment to academic excellence and institutional quality.

A Program Built for the Legal Minds of Tomorrow

The department offers a five-year integrated BA LL.B. (Honours) program, approved by the Bar Council of India, with an intake of 60 students per academic year. The program is meticulously designed to blend foundational arts disciplines — including English, Sociology, Economics, Political Science, and History — with comprehensive legal studies, equipping students with a holistic and contextual understanding of the legal system and its societal implications. Admissions are primarily based on CLAT UG scores then CUET for vacant seats (if any) through GGSIPU counselling, and candidates

must have completed 10+2 with a minimum aggregate of 50% from a recognised board. A limited number of seats are also available under the management quota for eligible candidates.

Learning by Doing: Beyond the Four Walls of the Classroom

The curriculum is not confined to the classroom. It is driven by a philosophy that academic rigour must be matched by practical exposure. Students are actively encouraged to participate in moot court competitions, legal aid clinics, internships, and workshops that cultivate real-world legal skills and a strong sense of ethical responsibility. The institute's moot court hall, designed as a replica of an actual courtroom, serves as a vital training ground where students engage in simulated court proceedings to master legal concepts through practice. Regular workshops, such as Para Legal



Volunteer Training, Client Counselling competitions, and Legal Aid Clinics, are held at this facility to further sharpen students' advocacy and argumentation skills. The department prides itself on its state-of-the-art infrastructure. A dedicated law library — one of two libraries on campus — provides students with access to an extensive collection of legal texts, over 51 subscribed journals, and foreign publications, as well as reading rooms and reprographic facilities. Faculty members at the Department of Legal Studies are highly qualified, research-oriented, and drawn from both academia and the legal profession.

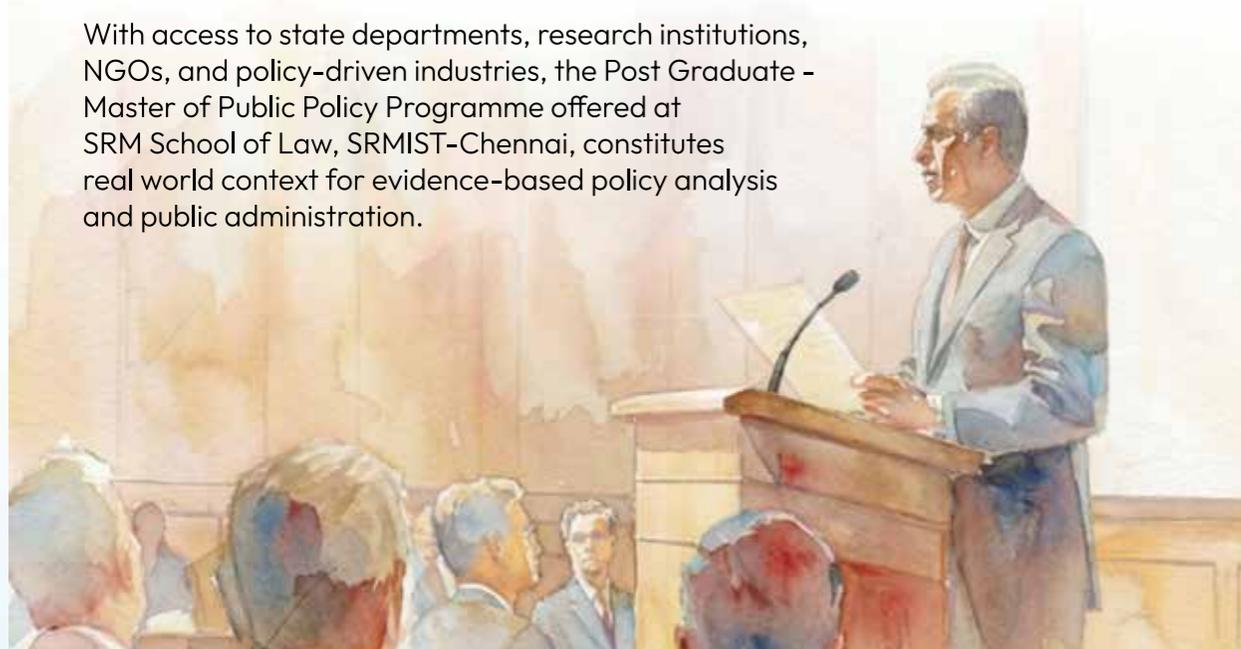
Shaping Legal Scholars, Launching Legal Careers

The department also publishes the Trinity Law Review, an esteemed academic journal that covers a wide array of legal topics and is designed to elevate the standard of legal research in India. Beyond research, the institute's active placement cell works closely with law firms, organisations, and industry partners to facilitate internships and career opportunities for law students, bridging the gap between academic preparation and professional practice. With its robust curriculum, and distinguished faculty, the Department of Legal Studies at TIPS stands as a comprehensive and dynamic launchpad for the next generation of legal professionals in India.



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Legal Education & its Role

In India, legal education bears great significance for varied reasons. From empowering students through core knowledge and skills in how practice law to mete out justice. It also instils understanding about their rights enshrined in the Constitution of the country and how to wield it effectively to manoeuvre the legal system for seeking justice, which is irrefutably binding on all. The foundation of a just society rests on imparting sound and relevant legal education that serves as a powerful cornerstone for the establishment and preservation of a fair and equitable society. The legal profession, among the oldest

professions and practiced for millennia, has played a critical role in enhancing access to justice by virtue of standing up for the unheard, downtrodden and taking up-cudgels against injustice perpetrated by the mighty and the powerful. For its effective outcome, legal education focuses on cultivating the competencies required to advocate for those who are marginalised and remain unheard. Law institutions ensure that the students passing out from their campuses are equipped with the necessary skills to advocate effectively for themselves and others in their professional life. Often, closely associated with social responsibility and committed dedication to public service, legal education goes beyond learning laws. Legal studies imparts education about the laws that guide and navigate daily life. It helps students to understand how society works and why rules are important, which is the core value and responsibility of the legal professionals for safe-guarding

people's rights, and identity of all institutions. Today, law as a career option is attractive and lucrative as it has opened many career paths.

Law, a Smart Career Choice

Courts conjure up an image of a drab and tedious workplace where the rule of law and justice is intimidating and a long-drawn process for the plaintiff. Until nearly two decades ago, taking up legal studies and venturing into the profession of law was not the first option of many students, wanting to graduate. Traditionally, children from families already in the legal profession took up legal studies and ventured into the profession with sound family backing having years of experience. It was more of a comfort zone for the young from such family background to go for law education. The scenario, however, has changed today, where pursuing education in law comes as an advantage with many career options available to pick from. Apart from the conventional role as lawyer, judge, and teacher of

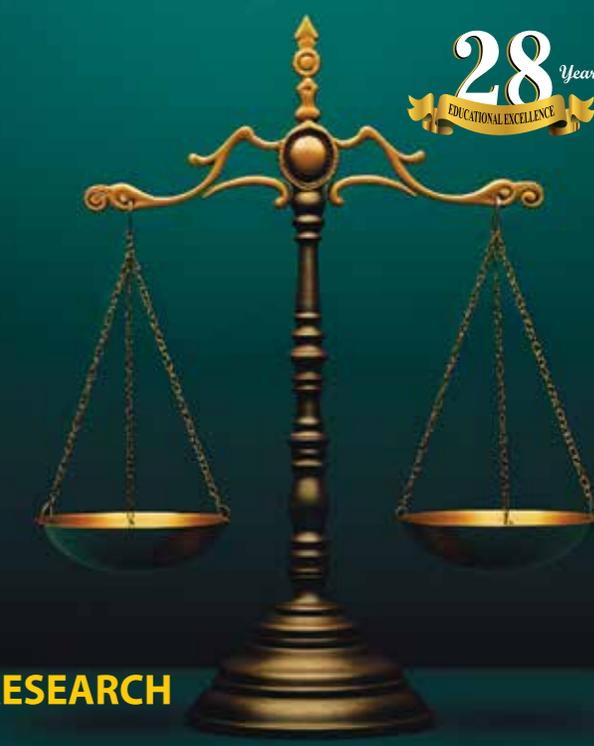
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RANK 2026	TOP 15 GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES	ACADEMIC & RESEARCH EXCELLENCE	INDUSTRY INTERFACE & PLACEMENT	INFRASTRUCTURE & FACILITIES	GOVERNANCE & ADMISSIONS	DIVERSITY & OUTREACH	TOTAL SCORE
		300	200	200	150	150	1000
1	NATIONAL LAW SCHOOL OF INDIA UNIVERSITY, BENGALURU	225	187	188	134	135	869
2	GUJARAT NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, GANDHINAGAR	223	187	187	132	135	864
3	NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, NEW DELHI	222	183	183	131	135	854
4	NALSAR UNIVERSITY OF LAW, HYDERABAD	217	183	182	127	130	839
5	THE WEST BENGAL NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF JURIDICAL SCIENCES, KOLKATA	215	180	180	123	126	824
6	NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, CUTTACK	216	181	177	120	125	819
7	JAMIA MILLIA ISLAMIA, NEW DELHI	211	178	172	115	122	798
8	THE RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PATIALA	211	176	169	111	118	785
9	FACULTY OF LAW, ALIGARH MUSLIM UNIVERSITY, ALIGARH	212	174	164	108	114	772
10	NATIONAL LAW INSTITUTE UNIVERSITY, BHOPAL	209	171	161	108	114	763
11	FACULTY OF LAW, BANARAS HINDU UNIVERSITY, VARANSI	205	168	159	108	115	755
12	MAHARASHTRA NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, NAGPUR	201	163	154	109	115	742
13	FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF LUCKNOW, LUCKNOW	202	160	149	107	110	728
14	HIMACHAL PRADESH NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, SHIMLA	200	158	148	103	111	720
15	FACULTY OF LAW, THE MAHARAJA SAYAJIRAO UNIVERSITY OF BARODA, VADODARA	195	159	145	100	107	706

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- Career and Skill Development Sessions & Seminars.
- Mentorship Programme.
- Certification course on ADR Mechanisms.
- Copy of original Manuscript of the Constitution of India.

INSTITUTIONAL RANKING

- IIRF Ranking 2024, MKPM RV Institute of Legal Studies was ranked 36th Nationally and 12th in the State of Karnataka.
- Edx Awards 2025, The Institution was Honoured as "Esteemed Law College of South India, for holistic student development and campus life".
- Edx Awards 2025, presented by Indianpreneur to Prof. Dr. Anjina Reddy K.R., Principal, MKPM RVILS "Visionary Principal in Legal Studies".

Outlook - ICARE-2025 Rankings

1. Top 30 Private College in All India 9th Rank.
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		300	200	200	150	150	1000
1	JINDAL GLOBAL LAW SCHOOL, SONIPAT	299	186	196	140	140	961
2	LLOYD LAW COLLEGE, GREATER NOIDA	292	182	186	138	139	937
3	SYMBIOSIS LAW SCHOOL, PUNE	289	182	185	134	139	928
4	NEW LAW COLLEGE, BHARATI VIDYAPEETH, PUNE	288	182	185	135	134	924
5	SCHOOL OF LAW, CHRIST UNIVERSITY, BENGALURU	289	182	180	135	134	920
6	CMR LAW SCHOOL, BENGALURU	289	180	181	132	131	913
7	INSTITUTE OF LAW, NIRMA UNIVERSITY, AHMEDABAD	284	175	181	130	130	899
8	SRM SCHOOL OF LAW, SRMIST, KATTANKULATHUR	282	174	177	126	129	887
9	RV INSTITUTE OF LEGAL STUDIES, BENGALURU	277	169	173	122	130	872
10	BANGALORE INSTITUTE OF LEGAL STUDIES, BENGALURU	273	169	173	122	130	867
11	VIVEKANANDA INSTITUTE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES, NEW DELHI	271	168	169	121	130	860
12	LAW SCHOOL, ICAI UNIVERSITY, DEHRADUN	268	163	169	117	128	845
13	K.L.E SOCIETY'S LAW COLLEGE, BENGALURU	265	161	168	114	126	834
14	INDORE INSTITUTE OF LAW, INDORE	261	160	164	113	124	822
15	KISHINCHAND CHELLARAM LAW COLLEGE, MUMBAI	257	157	165	111	121	811
16	AMITY LAW SCHOOL, AMITY UNIVERSITY, GURGAON	253	155	162	109	120	799
17	KIIT SCHOOL OF LAW, BHUBANESWAR	248	155	161	110	121	795
18	LAW SCHOOL, ICAI UNIVERSITY, GANGTOK	246	155	160	107	118	785
19	TRINITY INSTITUTE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES, DWARKA, NEW DELHI	247	153	160	103	114	778
20	UNIVERSITY OF ENGINEERING & MANAGEMENT (UEM) KOLKATA	242	151	161	99	111	764
21	INSTITUTE OF LEGAL STUDIES AND RESEARCH, GLA UNIVERSITY, MATHURA	238	147	160	100	110	756
22	SCHOOL OF LAW, MANIPAL UNIVERSITY, JAIPUR	237	145	160	98	105	744
23	SHRI DHARMASTHALA MANJUNATHESHWARA LAW COLLEGE, MANGALURU	236	142	156	97	103	734
24	SESHADRIPURAM LAW COLLEGE, BENGALURU	232	140	153	98	100	723
25	DEPARTMENT OF LAW, PRESTIGE INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT AND RESEARCH, INDORE	228	136	153	98	97	712
26	AMITY LAW SCHOOL, AMITY UNIVERSITY, RANCHI	225	137	149	99	94	703
27	SCHOOL OF LAW, CENTURION UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT, BHUBANESWAR	222	133	146	96	94	691
28	THE OXFORD COLLEGE OF LAW, BENGALURU	217	133	143	96	95	684
29	FACULTY OF LAW, VIVEKANANDA GLOBAL UNIVERSITY, JAIPUR	213	131	139	93	92	669
30	SCHOOL OF LAW, SISTER NIVEDITA UNIVERSITY, KOLKATA	210	130	135	92	92	658

INSTITUTIONS WITH POTENTIAL FOR EXCELLENCE

1	SCHOOL OF LAW, BML MUNJAL UNIVERSITY, GURUGRAM	4	SCHOOL OF LAW, SHARDA UNIVERSITY, GREATER NOIDA
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law, working in corporate, media, NGOs, as legal advisor, compliance officers or joining government service in their legal wing is growing in demand. With globalization, a career in Legal Process Outsourcing (LPO), which entails research work, drafting documents, and preparing case summaries for foreign law firms to support lawyers in other countries is also growing. The knowledge of law also serves as an asset for those wanting to crack competitive exams such as the judiciary exams as well as the Central and State services. As law is the bedrock of every aspect of every walk of life and even in launching one's start-up, having legal knowledge is definitely handy. Legal studies go beyond the subject knowledge encompassing disciplines such as politics, society, business, and even philosophy. This practice, which is gaining acceptance, helps in understanding law in all its dimensions, including decision-making and the positive impact it can have on society. Nevertheless, opting for legal studies can be a smart choice, but it depends on one's interests, strengths and patience to first study and then practice to bring about social change based on the principles of justice.

Skills Gained from Legal Studies

Legal studies is a serious subject that demands undivided attention and understanding of the many-layered consequences that a decision, either right or wrong, can make. To be well-conversant with the legal subject one has to sharpen one's attention and aptitude to absorb the subject. Consequently, a student of law undergoes a total revamp in perspective and the skills garnered during the course of legal studies. The advantages of legal studies empowers students in learn important life skills like critical thinking, logical analysis, being

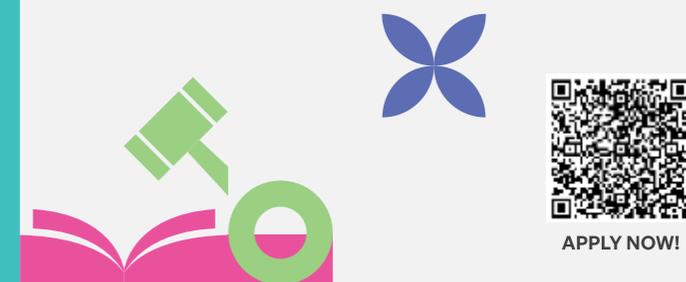
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- **LLB (Bachelor of Laws)**
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erudite, and making fair decisions. Research skills are sharpened when students have to sift through huge information sources referring legal books, case laws, and online information to support presentations of their case. Drafting legal documents and briefs precisely and effectively hones vocabulary and communication skills, both written and verbal, the latter polished in moot courts conducted at law schools. As

these skills sharpen, it also improves attention to detail, which is absolutely essential in a career where each detail can make or break a case presentation.

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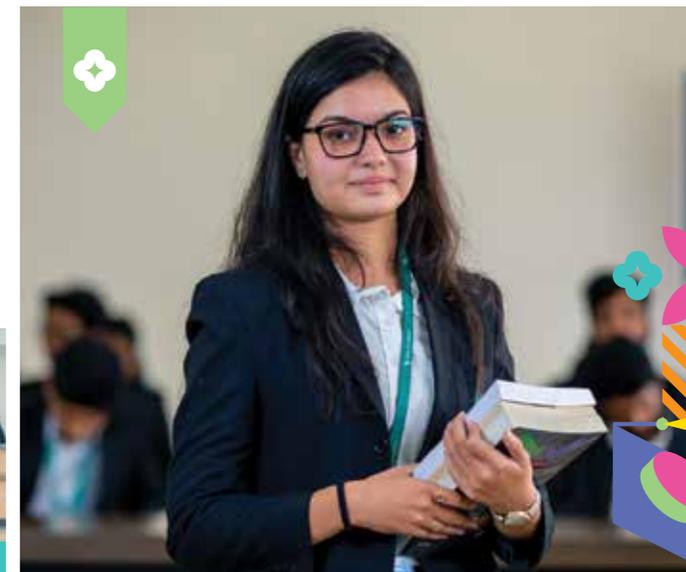
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in whatever they do. Legal studies also inculcate the aptitude to spot problems and think on one's feet to find solutions and pick the best answers based on facts and laws and not get swayed by emotions, but stay level-headed. These law institutions teach you on how to effectively use the latest technological skills to execute modern legal work demands entailing use of online research databases and document information. Moving with technological advancements is equally imperative to stay relevant while cultivating a sharp clinical approach to any aspect of legal profession.

In Bengaluru, the CMR University, blends theoretical knowledge with real-world practice. The CMR's School of Legal Studies, which offers Undergraduate, Postgraduate, and Doctoral programmes, aims to cultivate critical skill sets and fresh perspectives among its students. The institution is dedicated to inculcating in its students integrity and reason, so that become outstanding and responsible professionals, who uphold the highest traditions of the legal profession in the quest for truth and justice.

Today, law institution such as

Singhania School of Law & Legal Studies, under Singhania University, in Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan place strong emphasis on practical learning. They offer students opportunities for internships, legal clinics, and moot courts to apply their knowledge in real-world legal settings. Their comprehensive B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) program is recognised by the Bar Council of India. Their postgraduate LLM course cover essential areas such as constitutional law, human rights, legal ethics, and environmental law. The institution ensures that its graduates are well-prepared to face the challenges of the modern legal world through programs offering in-depth understanding of legal systems, civil law, criminal law, corporate law, and international law, equipping students with the knowledge and skills necessary for a successful career in law and legal research.

Making a successful legal career requires more than just knowledge and technology. Being aware of the commercial implications and building rapport with clients and people from the law fraternity is equally decisive to stay in the race. Ethics, etiquettes and

a compassionate approach is the mark of a complete law professional, other than good knowledge and skills sets needed for the vocation. They elevate and guide a young lawyer through the rank and file of the legal world. Also, commercial awareness, client management, emotional intelligence and skill in expanding one's network and build relationships are imperative in a career that complements a multi-dimensional Human Quotient (HQ).

Some institutions are guided by the values and selfless service of stalwarts to the nation and human kind. One such institution that upholds the teachings of Swami Vivekananda, is the Vivekananda School of Law and Legal Studies (VSLLS), under the umbrella of Vivekananda Institute of Professional Studies (VIPS), which is affiliated with Guru Gobind Indraprastha University, Delhi. VSLLS is recognized by Bar Council of India and UGC under section 2(f), with NAAC 'A++' accreditation. The Law School of VIPS is offers B.A.LL.B., B.B.A.LL.B., and LL.M. programs, besides Value Added Course on ESG-Environmental, Social and Governance, Introduction to Intellectual Property Rights-2.0,

Rethinking Legal Education for an Evolving Profession

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Legal education today stands at an inflection point. The demands of the profession are evolving rapidly, yet the way we train future lawyers has not always kept pace. As the legal landscape becomes increasingly global, technology-driven and commercially complex, it is imperative that legal education in India adapts with equal urgency.

At its core, the study of law has always been about building a strong foundation in legal principles, reasoning and discipline. That remains essential. However, modern lawyers are no longer defined only by doctrinal knowledge. Clients today expect legal advisors to be commercially aware, strategically minded, technologically informed and capable of navigating complex regulatory and cross-border environments. This shift calls for a broader and more practical approach to legal education.

The gap between legal theory and practice is often discussed in terms of curriculum, but it is equally a question of access. For many students, particularly those from rural and underrepresented

backgrounds, the challenge is not only to study law, but to gain meaningful exposure to how it operates in practice. Without access to internships, mentorship and professional networks, legal education can remain abstract.

In this context, expanding access must go hand in hand with bridging the gap between education and practice. Institutions such as Singhania University are contributing to this shift by widening access beyond traditional urban centres while emphasising applied learning. The aim is to ensure that students from diverse backgrounds can engage meaningfully with the practice of law and transition into the profession with confidence and capability.

Alongside these structural

As Chairman of Singhania University, I ensure our law students receive strong mentorship, practical exposure, opportunities for internships, placements and networking with leading lawyers and law firms.

shifts, the legal profession is also being reshaped by technology, particularly the growing use of artificial intelligence. AI is already transforming areas such as legal research, contract review, due diligence, compliance and knowledge management. This underscores that legal education can no longer remain confined to a purely theoretical framework.

While technology can enhance efficiency and allow lawyers to focus on higher-value work, it cannot replace judgment, ethics or human insight. Legal education must therefore prepare students to work alongside these tools while remaining grounded in the core principles of the profession.

Ultimately, the strength of the legal system depends on the breadth and preparedness of those who enter it. By aligning legal education with both the evolving demands of the profession and the realities of the society it serves, we can prepare not only better lawyers, but a legal system that is more responsive, inclusive and better aligned with the realities it seeks to govern.

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Insolvency and Bankruptcy (IBC), and also ADR Methods and Practical Training 2.0. That contemporary legal education is essentially a multi-disciplined and multi-purpose education system, VSLLS therefore, emphasises on preparing multi-tasking legal professionals across industries etc. Professional skill development activities begin from the first year itself, international law moots, mock trials, arbitration, mediation, client counselling, negotiations, mock parliament as also plaint writing, judgement writing, business contract writing are activities that equip students for practical application of law in different areas. Research and consultancy, and a distinguished pool of faculty of international repute are among the biggest strengths of VIPS.

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The campus of Department of Law (IIIJS) at University of Engineering and Management (IEM-UEM), Kolkata, blends legal education with other allied areas like management, engineering, technology etc. This is part of the institution's commitment towards offering a comprehensive legal education to its students. The approach is vital to inculcate comprehensive legal skills in the students to make their education meaningful. The programs offered by the law faculty at IIIJS are BBA LL.B. (Hons), LL.M., and Ph.D. Leading law

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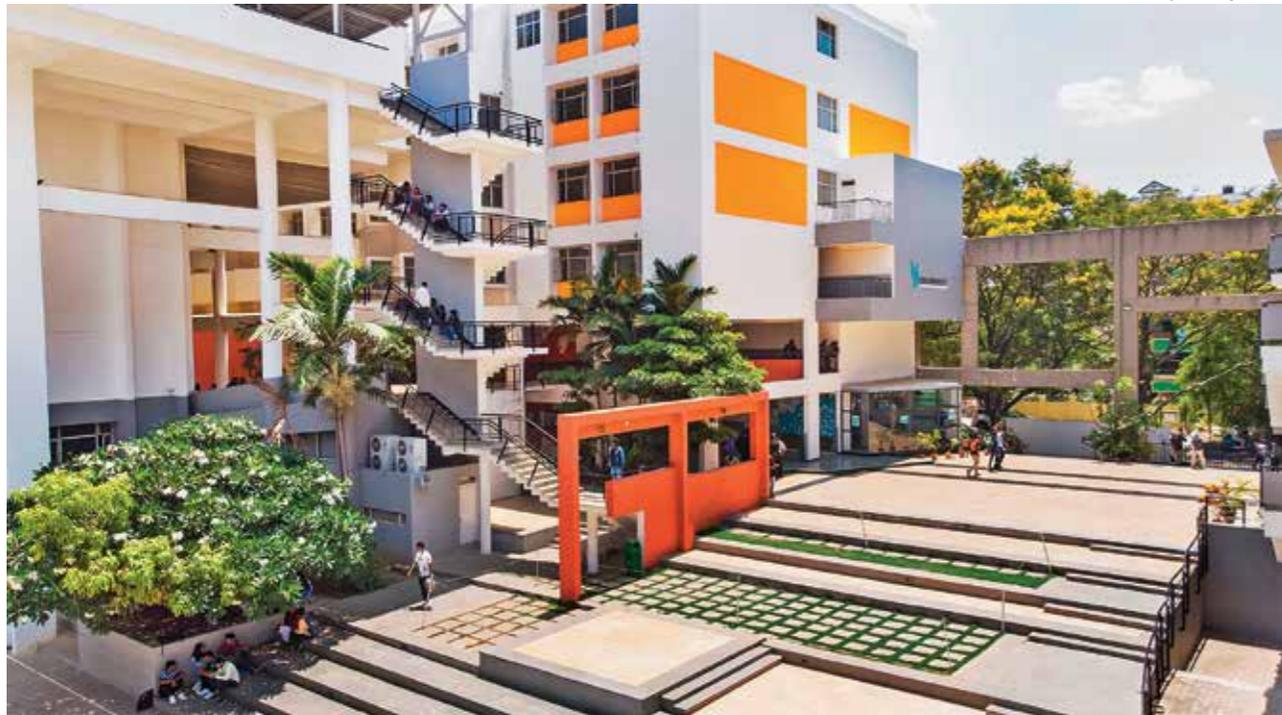
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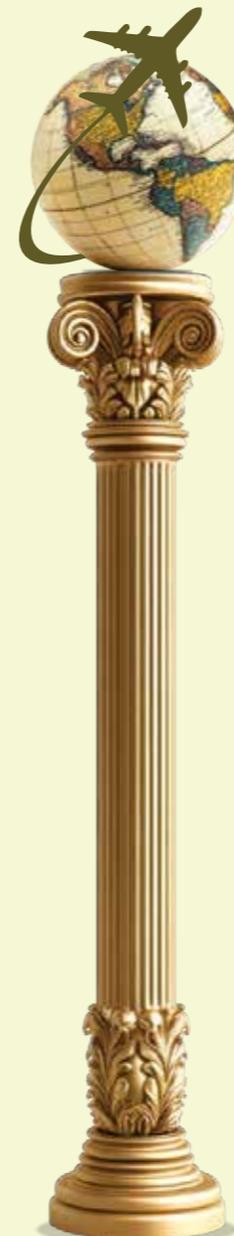
firms and institutions have picked its students from this institution for their high standards of legal knowledge and practical application. The Department of Law has a strong alumni, who are practising lawyers in Kolkata High Court, Patna High Court etc.

Committed to equip, expose, empower, and enlighten its students through collaborations with several foreign universities and institutions, SRM School of Law, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, encourages a rich exchange of knowledge and research activities. The institution also conducts two annual National-level Moot Court competitions in which students from different parts of the country take part. The industry-academic interface is a major part of teaching pedagogy, besides interactions of students with great achievers like judges, advocates, civil servants, and other eminent public personalities throughout their academic journey. Today's lawyer are supposed to have exposure to different disciplines. Being a multidisciplinary university, law students enjoy the exclusive scope of exposure to other streams of learning in addition to the law.

With over 20,000 alumni who have gone on to become 200 Civil Judges, 2 DSPs, 1 SP, numerous ADPOS, 1 MLA, 1 MP, and 1 JAG, Indore Institute of Law (IIL), takes pride in contributing towards strengthening the legal fraternity. Established in 2003, IIL has the distinction of being the only institute in the country to receive an NAAC A+ accreditation in its very first cycle, in addition to attaining Autonomy Status starting from the academic year 2023-2024. IIL, Indore, combines academic rigor with practical training, experience and extracurricular activities to ensure constant flow of knowledge, nurturing diligent learners with a bright future. Over the years, the institution has embraced the transnational educational model for exposure and enriching its students' educational journey. Numerous international trips have been organised for the students, including visits to the International Court of Justice and International Criminal Court in The Hague, Netherlands, as well as educational tours to Herriot Watt University and Middlesex University in Dubai, UAE.

Of late, new trends have been observed in the field of law, which is transforming the profession and widening its scope for creating new disciplines and job avenues. Among them are:

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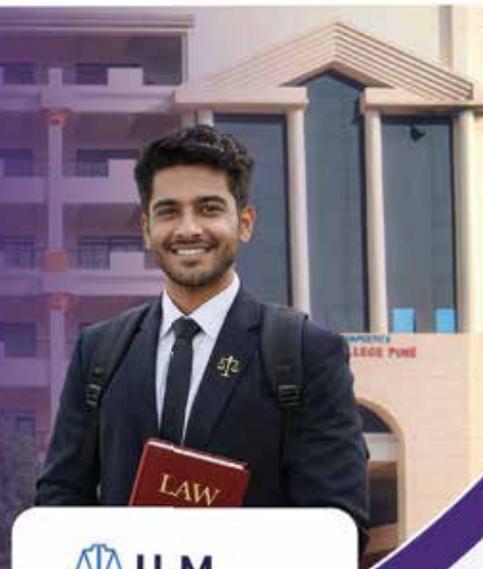


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As the most populated nation in the world, India, at 1.4 billion people, is a vibrant job market with tremendous growth prospects across professions and industries. According to estimates, the Indian legal market is expected to reach a projected revenue of US\$ 37.4 million by 2030. Therefore, a growth of 10.1% CAGR is estimated from 2024 to 2030. Economic liberalization, an increase in international investments, and also the growing complexity of legal regulations are seen as vehicles of this growth. As a result, the disciplines of corporate law, intellectual property law and international trade law are witnessing a significant upsurge.

It is predicted that financial assurance companies, consulting firms and healthcare organisations would drive high demand for law graduates by 2030. The employment rate for law graduates is estimated to grow at a rapid pace where the median growth rate and increase every year

stands at 39%. Reports suggest that law graduates are highly in demand according to the Bureau of Labour Statistics that pegs it at approximately 46,000 job openings during the time frame of a year. Also, many surveys and interviews have inferred that 98.5% of law graduates are employed and drawing good salary, and only 1.1% of them are unemployed. Moreover, studies prove that 98.7% of Indian law graduates are superior in problem-solving, negotiating, advocacy, resilience, and logical and analytical reasoning skills. The legal profession in India is looked at with respect as compared to some other parts of the world. One can expect high salary and innumerable growth opportunities making it one of the most attractive fields with a salary package of at least Rs 9.8 LPA. According to a survey, private and corporate legal offices recruit the largest number of law graduates.

The average salaries of lawyers vary depending on the experience, location, and their individual profile. Freshers can earn between Rs. 3 LPA to Rs. 8 LPA, whereas, mid-level lawyers draw salaries anywhere between Rs 6 LPA to Rs 20 LPA. Lawyers with over 10 years of

experience can earn Rs 12 LPA on average, which could go up to Rs 30+ LPA much higher than government lawyer. Attorney's specializing in information technology law and IP law can bargain for a higher salary. The salary of lawyers in government jobs is generally higher as compared to the private sector, especially for the freshers. However, if we talk about experienced lawyers who have at least 10 years of experience, can draw much higher salary than government lawyers.

As per 2024 reports the median salary of students of Institute of Law Nirma University (INLU), Ahmedabad, Gujarat, stood at Rs 6.58 LPA and the highest package was rs 19.5 LPA. Top campus recruiters include Zydus Wellness, SBICAP Trustee Company Limited, Razor Pay, Torrent Gas, and etc. A constituent institution of Nirma University, (INLU), was established in 2007, recognised by the University Grants Commission (UGC) and accredited with an A+ grade by NAAC. The flagship course offered at ILNU is the BBA LLB (Hons.) apart from various programs for UG and PG programs, along with part-time Ph.D. in law. This program accepts students based on their CLAT scores. Other

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Challenges of Legal Education:

Even as law schools and colleges are going all out to cope with the rapidly evolving changes and demands of legal education for its relevant and maintain highest standards of quality, yet some key challenges exist. Curriculums become outdated, rather lag behind due to the rapidly evolving legal landscape, especially, in emerging areas needing specialised laws. There is also need for laying greater emphasis on practical skills and experiential learning to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and real-world application. Limited practical exposure is another challenge. This vital component of legal education calls for stronger collaborations with legal practitioners, law firms, and courts to ensure that students have access to internships, moot court competitions, and clinical programs. Shortage of well-qualified

and experienced faculty is a significant challenge in legal education. To attract and retain such talent to effectively impart legal knowledge, engage in research, and mentor students, this must be a priority. Additionally, faculty development programs is the need of the hour to enhance teaching methodologies and strengthen research capabilities.

India lags in research culture in legal education. Research-oriented initiatives must be encouraged through access to resources for legal research, and engaging students and faculty in scholarly work. It is the only way to develop innovative legal theories and ensure the dissemination of knowledge. In an era where technology has become indispensable its integration is limited in many Indian law schools. There is need to adapt and to take advantage of technology's unlimited potential for revamping legal studies. Online learning platforms, virtual classrooms, legal research databases, and legal aid platforms can enhance access to legal education and the learning experience.

Access to know-how of latest law practices signifies the core spirit of legal studies. The focus must be on grooming students to become competent lawyers armed with knowledge but rooted in compassion. This calls for addressing the issues of marginalized communities and rural



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areas that lack access to legal services. Promotion of pro bono work, legal aid clinics, and awareness of social justice issues must be a part of teaching and training. Most importantly, inculcating professional ethics and values among law students is crucial. To set right the moral compass, sustained emphasis is required for incorporating courses on ethics to elevate professional conduct, integrity, and social responsibility. Addressing these challenges require concerted efforts from legal education institutions and the legal fraternity by drawing to the maximum from their capabilities and experience.

New Trends in the Legal Industry

The advent of technology has permeated into every industry and its impact is as drastic and all-pervading in the legal world, albeit slow. The pace has to gather momentum in tapping the potential of technology to its fullest. From legal education to the chambers of lawyers and judges, the significance of technology is palpable.

The legal profession is undergoing a technology overhaul where courts, legal firms are integrating blockchain, Artificial Intelligence (AI) for their use and operations, while law schools are reworking and aligning their curriculum to incorporate technology. The legal fraternity is adapting to this new skill set, which is now integral to enhance output, collate information and design legal presentations. Also, digitization has made distant learning a reality, post Covid.

Experiential learning and practical skills are evolving. Through externships, internships, clinical programs and simulation-based training, law schools are bridging the gap between theory and practice, which give students practical experience in real-life work environments.

A trend that is becoming more popular is multidisciplinary education,

with increasing number of law schools specializing in complementary subjects through dual degree programs. This equips students to handle a variety of challenges by incorporating the knowledge of varied subjects such as business, healthcare, environmental science, and technology into their LLB law courses.

Today, law schools are laying emphasis on diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) to address systemic disparity within the legal profession. It is aimed at providing equal opportunities for all stakeholders in the profession to shed social inhibitions and discrimination. This is a cultural shift occurring in a profession that upholds equal justice and

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Today, legal education has gone global. National and international boundaries have blurred with law schools training their students in international laws such as human rights law, comparative law and international trade law to take on global jobs. Law institutions are actively promoting exchange programs and collaborating with international law schools to provide opportunities for their students to study abroad and experience foreign

legal systems.

Another aspect in focus is the mulling of alternative license paths by several legal authorities by laying emphasize on practical skills over conventional exam practices. Possibility of supervised practice programs are being examined in place of the bar exam, where graduates can showcase their competence to practice law under the guidance of senior lawyers. These changes are aimed at simplifying and reducing the stress and obstacles related to the licensing procedure.

With climate change becoming a flashpoint globally, the need for lawyers, expert in environmental law, is growing. In response, law schools have on priority basis included sustainability and environmental justice in their curriculum, clinics, and research initiatives. It has set the learning curve for students to address the issue including renewable energy policy, environmental lawsuits, and regulatory compliance for promoting sustainability and safe-guarding environment.

Emphasis on soft skills and wellness is becoming increasingly important. It is aimed at dealing with the exacting demands of the legal education, which takes a toll on interpersonal and mental health. To counter this crisis, law schools conduct workshops and courses on resilience, emotional intelligence, and mindfulness based on the value of soft skills like empathy, communication, and cooperation in the legal profession. Programs and mental health counselling are offered to reduce burnout, which is increasingly commonplace on campuses of legal institutions. These initiatives are being adopted rapidly by law schools as support system to ensure that students come-out unscathed from gruelling mental pressure and develop into well-rounded individuals and skilled professionals.



**Seshadripuram Law College:
Excellence in Academics, Sports, and Beyond**



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Founded in 1984-85 by the Seshadripuram Educational Trust, Seshadripuram Law College has grown from modest beginnings into one of Bengaluru's premier institutions for legal education. Permanently affiliated to Karnataka State Law University, Hubballi and recognized by Bar Council of India, New Delhi and Government of Karnataka, the college continues to embody the vision of its founders, Anandamma and Sethamma, by fostering creativity, discipline, and excellence. Located in the heart of Bengaluru, the college offers both 3 year LL.B and 5 year B.A. LL. B courses. Under the leadership of Sri N.R. Panditharadhya (President), Nadoja Dr. Wooday P. Krishna (Honorary General Secretary), Sri K. Krishnaswamy (Chairperson of the Governing Council), and Dr. Praneetha B.S (Principal), the institution thrives on a commitment to academic and professional growth.

Academic Excellence - Students of Seshadripuram Law College have consistently excelled in academics, securing university ranks and medals. Notable achievements include Meghana (8th Rank, 2023-24), Ganesh K. (First Rank and Gold Medal, 2022-23), and Saravnan B. (4th Rank, 2022-23). These successes reflect the rigorous training and guidance of the faculty, many of whom hold M.Phil. and Doctorate degrees. Alumni have gone on to serve as Civil Judges, while faculty member



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Sports and Holistic Development - The College has always been in first 3 positions, since many years among 120 Law Colleges across Karnataka. This achievement highlights the balance between academics and physical well-being.

Alumni in Judicial Roles - One of the proudest milestones has been alumni stepping into judicial positions. Recently, Sachin Vaibhav R. was appointed as a Civil Judge after clearing the Civil Judge Examination in February 2025. Such accomplishments underscore the college's role in shaping leaders who contribute meaningfully to the justice system.

Infrastructure and Resources - The college boasts state-of-the-art facilities, including PPT-equipped classrooms, a Moot Court Hall, Sports Room, and a library with over 21,000 books, 32 No. of journals, and access to online databases like Manu Patra. These resources ensure students remain updated with evolving legal landscapes.

Beyond the Classroom - National-level competitions in Moot Court, Debate, Model Parliament, and Cultural Fest, along with workshops on Forensic Science and Client Counselling, provide platforms for students to sharpen skills and gain exposure. Committees such as Legal Aid, NSS, Anti-Ragging, SC/ST, and Women's Grievance Cell foster social responsibility, while the Internship and Placement Cell bridges education with practice.