A Global Quarter

Join the 2025 Class of Franke Fellows

An immersive experience--
7 weeks of training in global business law at SLS and 3 weeks of field study with SLS faculty and your classmates in Mexico City, Bogotá, São Paulo and Rio!

Application Deadline: May 20, 2023
The Franke Fellowship in Global Business Law

- 15-20 students
- International
- Business Law
  - Deals
  - Disputes
  - Regulation
  - Stakeholders
- Latin America
- Pathway B – experiential learning
Courses and credits are subject to change. The ’25 Global Quarter is at least 11 credits and covers the Experiential Learning requirements. Possible Subjects:

- ESG
- Accounting
- Comparative Corporate Law and Governance
- Global Business Law & Policy Seminar: Latin America

*Prerequisites: Corporations*
1/2 week in Mexico City

• Startup Ecoculture; visit fintech company
• VC investing and foreign investment;
• Trade, nearshoring and energy licensing
• Major telecommunications company
• Meet with local law firm
1 week in Bogotá, Colombia

- Commercial Litigation and Arbitration in Colombia, meet with judges, arbitrators and law firms;
- Meet with companies and think tanks
- Explore ESG, technology and the law
1.5 week in São Paulo + Rio

- Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) investing and regulation:
- Environmental regulation and fossil fuels in Brazil;
- ESG: Business interests and traditional peoples;
- Meet with law firms, regulators, think tanks, companies
Simulation and Assignments

- Pre-visit Student Briefings
- Case Study Analysis of business deals and contracts
- Mock negotiations and simulations (e.g., ESG counseling and diligence)
- Reflection memos for each week of field study as part of Experiential Learning credit
Highlights of GQ: LATAM

• International experience
• Simulations & negotiations: Pathway B
• Meet with practitioners, regulators, international students and alumni
• Travel with SLS faculty and students – travel, lodging, and most weekday meals provided
Student feedback:

Jackie Schaeffer, 3L:

“I am excited about the practice of law in a way that was difficult to envision in the early days of law school, in no small part due to the opportunities the Global Quarter has helped me access.”

“Throughout law school, I’ve been searching with increasing impatience for a “this is exactly what I want to do moment.” Finally, it happened at the EBRD. I genuinely thought Michael’s job was the ~coolest~ job any attorney I’ve spoken to has. I was immediately taken by how his job while “legal” in nature, was also intensely political.”
Student feedback:

Albert Park, SLS’22, Law Clark in tax practice at Davis Polk

“Global Quarter was easily the most academically rewarding experience of my law school career.”
Student feedback:

Tom Newcomb 3L, JD/MBA:

“When I think of my Stanford community, I think of my Global Quarter cohort and our Faculty.”

“Global Quarter is how SLS keeps its promise to provide the best legal education in the world. I am incredibly grateful to have participated. It was, without exception, the highlight of my time at SLS.”
Student feedback:

Meghan Anad, 3L

“The field study was an absolutely fantastic experience. We had such varied interactions with academics, law students, regulators, lawyers at law firms, and in-house lawyers at startups and scaled firms alike. And we learned so much during both the quarter and field study about ESG, fintech, crypto, startups, data privacy, and also just about the differences in lawyering in different settings. It was also amazing to get access to certain types of lawyers that we don't typically get the opportunity to easily interface with at SLS.”
Student feedback:

Michael Doman, SLS’22, Judicial Law Clerk at United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit:

“Global Quarter taught me to think like a legal professional. From brilliant scholars and now life-long friends, I learned what it takes to build an international career and tackle international legal and business problems.”
Action Items

• Prerequisites
  • Enthusiasm and work ethic
  • We’re looking for a wide range of backgrounds and students who can work in groups and enjoy outside-the-box learning experiences
  • We’re looking for people who are open, communicative and willing to engage with diverse perspectives.

• Apply by May 20, 2024!
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