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## Graduate programs at UCalgary Law

*Chidinma Thompson earned her PhD from the Faculty of Law in 2013. Chidinma's thesis, "Making federalism through law: Regulating socio-economic challenges of energy development," examined the socio-economic challenges of large-scale oil and gas development within municipal boundaries. Chidinma has been practicing law with the energy regulation and litigation team at Borden Ladner Gervais LLP in Calgary since 2009.*

### Learn in Canada's energy capital

Since 1988, students of Natural Resources, Energy and Environmental Law from around the world have come to the University of Calgary to pursue graduate degrees. Located in Canada's energy capital, and in one of North America's energy hubs, our internationally-recognized program provides the very best opportunities for graduate law students. Graduates from our program have gone on to successful careers across the globe in specialized practice settings, teaching, public interest advocacy, energy regulation and public service.

### Energy law, environmental law and more!

The study of energy and environmental law encompasses legal aspects of our transition to a low carbon economy, mining law, renewable energy law, water law, energy regulation, the management of public lands, property law, oil and gas law, constitutional law, administrative law, adapting to climate change and regulating GHG emissions, regulatory theory, taxation, corporate law, economics, contract law, international trade and investment law, Aboriginal law, tort law, environmental ethics, pollution control, waste management, environmental impact law, intellectual property, human rights law and legal theory.

*Cecilia Low, LLM'11, is currently a hearing commissioner for the Alberta Energy Regulator. During her LLM studies, she focused on international aspects of natural resources, energy and environmental law, taking such courses as international development law, international environmental law, and international oil and gas transactions. A post-graduate fellowship with the Canadian Institute of Resources Law allowed Cecilia to continue her research in her areas of interest, including the public interest element in Alberta's Energy Resources Conservation Act.*



*"The quality and diverse research experience of the professors at the University of Calgary really impressed me and made the choice to pursue my studies at the Faculty of Law very easy."*

*-Kofi Owusu, LLM'14*

## Programs

We offer three graduate programs in all areas of law related to Natural Resources, Energy and Environmental Law: a thesis-based LLM (Master of Laws), a course-based LLM and a post-baccalaureate certificate.

### **Thesis-based LLM**

The thesis-based LLM is a full-time program that emphasizes the research and writing of a thesis. Students must complete four half courses, two of them compulsory. This program is intended for law students who have demonstrated strong potential for advanced research and writing in a common law system on a specific legal issue, and who are interested in an academic or research career.

### **Course-based LLM**

The course-based LLM can be taken on a part-time or full-time basis and is aimed at lawyers who wish to explore one or more topics within our area of specialization at advanced levels, and for international students who wish to develop an understanding of Canadian legal processes and laws affecting the natural resources

sectors. Students must complete six half courses and a major research paper.

### **Post-baccalaureate certificate**

The post-baccalaureate certificate is intended for lawyers who wish to supplement or update their knowledge in the areas of natural resources, energy and environmental law. Students must complete four courses within three years from the date of initial registration.

*Please note that an LLM does not entitle the holder to practice law in Canada. For information about the accreditation of foreign degrees, contact the National Committee on Accreditation ([www.flsc.ca](http://www.flsc.ca)).*

## Live and study on campus

In September 2015, the University of Calgary opened Crowsnest Hall, a new residence building dedicated to graduate and professional faculties students. With room for more than 300 residents in a variety of studio, one-bedroom and two-bedroom apartments, Crowsnest Hall is designed to meet the educational and social needs of our graduate students.

For more information about living on campus, visit [ucalgary.ca/residence](http://ucalgary.ca/residence).

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