

## Personal Statement

Dear Admission Committee,

As I stand on the threshold of a new academic journey, I am filled with anticipation and excitement. I am eager to apply to the University of Essex for their LLM International Commercial Law, Master course, which perfectly aligns with my qualifications and goals.

I was fascinated by the world of commerce and the law that governed it. From a young age, I was always interested in business and how companies operated, and as I grew older, my interest only intensified. I have been trying to understand the intricacies of contracts, mergers, and acquisitions. Therefore, I enrolled in Law school at King Abdulaziz University, the top-ranked University in the Middle East, and I have got the first honor rank within my cohort.

The associations and experts of international commercial law have a strong tendency for harmonization and unification, through applicable rules, principles and customary practices that govern cross-border commercial activities and transactions of private parties. While we now see that the growth of ethical clauses in global value chains reflects a progressive adjustment in the nature of international commercial contracts. This is what sparked my interest in it.

I have worked in legal affairs with some firms, within some positions that helped me to boost my career goals and provided me with better insights into my abilities and skills in solving problems creatively. Developing hard and soft skills afforded me more enjoyment and made me more organized. Fortunately, there were never any time gaps in my career history.

I chose to complete my studies in the UK a while ago, then decided to prepare for the IELTS exam. I took my IELTS and got a good band for admission to your honoured university.

Studying at the University of Essex makes students advance at a rapid pace since it has witnessed great progress and succeeded in investing in technological and educational development effectively. It is among the top universities in Europe. It is the best choice I can make due to its vast cultural diversity, and for the possibility of easily being involved in a scientific community and meeting scholars from all over the world. The LLM program prepares students and develops their knowledge and skills for a professional level, based on applied applications. In addition, I am

particularly interested in International Commercial Law at Essex university because of its focus on evidence-based practice and its commitment to preparing graduates to be leaders in the field. I believe that this program will provide me with the knowledge and skills necessary to make a positive impact on foreign commercial legislation in my home country.

I will be able to achieve my goals and make a meaningful contribution with my colleagues, as I could perform well in a team and manage several tasks simultaneously which will add value to the program outputs. Since I aim to expand my expertise and curiosity about International Financial Law, I will conduct studies to handle this gap.

After graduating with a master's degree, I will be enthusiastic to empower other women —through Saudi Vision 2030— to reach their full potential in the workplace in the KSA. Moreover, I would like to continue upskilling myself in all professional possible ways to contribute to improving the international trade relations between my country and other countries.

I am glad to apply for this master's course as it perfectly matches my interests. Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

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