

# NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY ODISHA (NLUO), CUTTACK

The National Law University Odisha (NLUO) is an exciting new development in the field of legal education. It was established by Act 4 of 2008 and started its Academic Activities from the year 2009. In a span of eleven years, the University has made a name for itself by earning laurels with excellent performance of its students in various moot courts, literary debating competition & other co-curricular activities. Our faculty research output has always been of a very high standard. Faculty publications in several top-tier international publications bespeak about their subject expertise and scholarship. The student community's engagement with co-curricular activities has yielded remarkable results, including consistent high performance in moot court competitions and active participation in prestigious national and international conferences and seminars. Our rigorous academic discipline coupled with friendly learning environment provides a platform to the students to realize their true potential and develop in their fields of interest and passion.



The University has received recognition from the University Grants Commission (UGC) under Section 12(b) of the UGC Act 1956, and has been receiving grants under the 12<sup>th</sup> Plan. The University's degrees are duly recognized by the Bar Council of India. It is also an associate member of the UGC-INFLIBNET, and a participant in the National Knowledge Network under the Ministry of Information Technology and Communication, Government of India. The University was accredited with 'A' Grade by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in the year 2016. National Law University Odisha, Cuttack (NLU Odisha) has been ranked at number 6 under the 'Top 10 Emerging Colleges' (Law) category in the India Today's Best Colleges Ranking of 2021. This category is for Highest-scoring colleges among those set up in or after 2000. Additionally, NLU Odisha has secured number 8 position in the Top 10 Government Law Colleges, and in overall Top 10 Law Colleges NLU Odisha is ranked at no. 9. NIRF Ranking for 2021 stands National Law University Odisha at Eighteenth rank amongst over all Category of Law Colleges of the country and Tenth among NLUs. NLUO has its own campus spread over 50 acres near Naraj at the western extreme of historical city of Cuttack. The area is known for its scenic beauty.



## Why NLUO?

1. NLUO provides a platform for multi-dimensional learning experience which integrates rigorous academic, applied, practical and cross disciplinary perspectives to ensure a deep understanding of law in all its contexts.

2. We invest in quality legal research and promote an environment which allows exchange of intellectual thought process. Our law school is an incubator for nurturing scholarship and innovative ideas and inculcate analytical and critical thinking in the classroom enriching our students' understanding of law.

3. NLU Odisha students are trained by a group of experienced, dynamic, young and most significantly committed teachers. The teachers at NLUO are mostly alumni of the leading National Law Universities in India and reputed law schools aboard. They come from diverse background, having served in the office of the Chief Justice of India, practiced in law at Bar, served in civil society organisations, served in Indian Police Service and have headed various reputed educational institutions in the past. Our faculty is our pride and we are committed to invest in scholarship of our faculty so that you get the best in the country.

4. We provide state-of-art infrastructure like fully equipped library, 24 x 7 wi-fi enabled campus, audiovisual enabled class rooms and moot court hall, Seminar-cum-Convention Hall, Amphitheatre, Conference Hall, Gymnasium, Sports Complex, single bedded hostel rooms etc. to facilitate the smooth and enjoyable learning process.

5. To fulfil our social commitment, we organize legal aid camps in the villages across the State of Odisha in collaboration with the United Nations Development Program, High Court of Orissa and the District Judiciary. These programs are organized, coordinated entirely by the student body under the supervision of law professors. This enables the students to learn the application of law in society and connect it with the principles of law taught in the classroom.



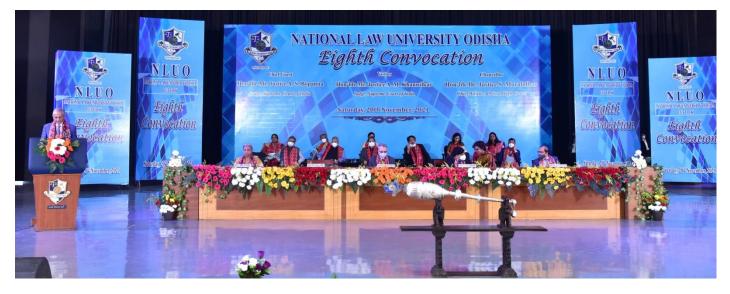
Academic Block

6. To multiply the effect of legal scholarship, we frequently organize lecture series/ seminars/ conferences/ workshops on diverse aspects of law and allied subjects by inviting scholars, practitioners, lawyers, judges, members of media who share their critical perspectives and experiences in the fields of law, politics, judiciary, economic affairs, international affairs, history and culture. This provides a platform for open dialogue between scholars, faculty and students and generates a healthy environment of cross-sectoral learning.



7. NLUO provides an excellent opportunity to students to hone their mooting skills that include drafting memoranda and presenting arguments. Students are also well supported to travel nationally and internationally to represent the university in prestigious moot court competitions. The University has its own state-of-art moot court room facility.

8. To keep a close check on our quality standards, we conduct periodic revision of academic curriculum, course syllabus, teaching pedagogy and learning skills to meet the changing needs of legal education based on the student feedback, peer review process, professional and industrial inputs.



# **Research and Innovations**

Research and innovation is the bedrock of any progressive institution. NLUO has adopted this principle since its establishment. In pursuit of this commitment, we have invested in the establishment of research centres to develop legal scholarship in the selected branches of law. United Nations organisations like UNDP and UNICEF have been actively supporting our research endeavours. University's Centre for Child Right (CCR) in collaboration with UNICEF is a testimony to this partnership.

The Centre for Public Health Law organized 1st NLUO-PHFI Public Health Law National Moot Court Competition between 24th – 27th June 2021, which focused on the issue of compulsory vaccination and immunity to vaccine developers and manufacturers along with ancillary issues of federalism in the context of Public Health. The final rounds were followed by a grand valedictory ceremony which was graced by Hon'ble Justice Mr Sanjeeb Panigrahi, Judge, Orissa High Court as the Chief Guest and Dr. K Srinath Reddy, President, Public Health Foundation of India as Guest of Honor.

NLU Odisha organized the **Third Smt. Sailabala Pujari**, **Memorial Public Lecture** on **"Law, Language and Gender"** by *Hon'ble Ms. Justice (Retd.) Prabha Sridevan* was organised on January 29, 2021 in virtual Mode.

The University organised the Distinguished Lecture on "Constitutional Morality, Populist Reality" by Dr. Ajay Gudavarthy, Associate Professor, Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

The University in collaboration with Human Rights Law Network (HRLN) jointly organised **"International Law Lecture Series"** from 10<sup>th</sup> Feb to 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021. The program was graced by eminent personalities like *Maskit Bendel, ACRI, Israel, Damir Gainutdinov, Agora, Russia, Diego Morales and Erika Schimdhuber Pena, CELs, Argentina, Lucia Ramirez, Dejusticia, Bogota, Mate Szabo, HCLU, Hungary.* 



The **Conference on "Indian Justice Report 2020"** was conducted in collaboration with India Justice Report team organised a conference dated 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2021. The conference sought to present Odisha-specific insights to the honourable custodians of the four pillars of the formal justice system i.e. judiciary, police, prisons and legal aid. Various stakeholders from Judiciary, Prison and Police Departments, and Civil society Organisations marked their presence and shared their valuable insights on the report that highlighted on contemporary issues of justice delivery mechanisms. The keynote address was given by Hon'ble Dr. Justice S. Muralidhar, Chief Justice of Orissa High Court, wherein he emphasised on the role of bar in the judicial system. Senior judges of Orissa High Court , Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sangam Kumar Sahoo, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bibhu Prasad Routray and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjay Kumar Mishra shared their perspectives on the report during various sessions. Other participants of the conference included Ms. Maja Daruwala, *Chief Editor, India Justice Report*, Mr. Surya Prakash BS, *Fellow and Programme Director at DAKSH*, Ms. Madhurima Dhanuka, *Programme Head, Prison Reforms Programme, CHRI, Shri Abhay, IPS Director General of Police, Odisha*, and *Shri* Santosh Kumar Upadhyay, IPS *Director General of Prisons and Director of Correctional Services, Odisha*.

# **Beyond Academics**

We promote leadership skills and the wholesome life experience of our students by encouraging them to take part in various literary, debating, cultural, entrepreneurial and recreational activities.

The University has also introduced an Informal Discussion Group (IDG) to promote discussions and debate among students on one hand and between students & visiting dignitaries on general social and political issues on the other hand.

NLUO is recognized as one of the chapters of IDIA (Increasing Diversity by Increasing Access to Legal Education) Program helping students in preparation of CLAT exam. NLUO chapter of IDIA also helps visually challenged and other students in need of support.

Currently Sporting & Cultural activities are minimal or reduced to a great extent due to the COVID restrictions but in general, students of NLUO bag prestigious awards round the year. As an exception, NLUO has allowed its students to take full charge of the Hostel Mess; resulting which the students are able to run the mess and get food of their choice. The in-campus Multy-Gym is another attraction for the students to keep their mind and body in good shape duly supported with a Wellness Center.





### **MOOT ACHIEVEMENTS**

- 1. 2nd GMU-CIArb International Maritime Arbitration Moot Court Competition 2021: Punyashlok Panda, Karshana Agarwal, and Srutee Priyadarshini Best Memorial Award. Additionally, Punyashlok Panda was awarded the citation of 2nd best Researcher in the competition.
- 2. 2nd edition of NALSAR-UNHCR Public International Law Moot Court Competition, 2021: Abhinav Baranwal, Shreyaa Mohanty, and Shreya Prakash Quarterfinalists & Best Memorial for the Applicant's Side.
- 28<sup>th</sup> edition of Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot, Vienna, 2021: Ananya Satish, Darshit Siddhabhatti, Priyank Shukla, Ritika Mathur, Shaivi Nihal Shah and Yashvardhan Singh – Quarterfinalists, Honorable Mention for Eric E. Bergsten Award for Best Team Orals & Honorable Mention for Pieter Sanders Award for Best Written Memorandum for Claimant.
- Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition World Rounds, 2021: Arkaneil Bhaumik, Shivalika Rudrabatla, Sri Aditya Kumar and Udipto Koushik Sarmah – Semifinalists, 8th Best Respondent Team, 9th Best Applicant Team, Hardy C. Dillard Award & Seeded 25th in the best combined memorials; 48th Best Oralist (Arkaneil Bhaumik).
- 5. 9<sup>th</sup> edition of RGNUL Criminal Constitution Moot Court Competition, 2021: Ashutosh Pareek, Shrestha Roy and Purushartha Singh Best Memorial.
- 6. 12<sup>th</sup> edition of NLU Antitrust Law Moot Court Competition, 2021: Tushar Chitlangia, Nikshetaa Jain and Swikruti Mohanty Semi-Finalists.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of Surana & Surana and UPES National Insolvency Law Moot Court Competition 2020-2021: Astha Agarwal, Meenakshi Tejwani and Devang Kaimathiya – Octa-finalist, 4th Best Memorial, Best Researcher (Devang Kaimathiya).
- 8. 9<sup>th</sup> edition of NLIU National Corporate Law Moot 2021: Abhishek Kurian, Nimisha and Shivali Shrivastava Runners Up & Best Memorial (Petitioner).
- 9. 4<sup>th</sup> edition of NLUD International Insolvency & Bankruptcy Moot Competition 2020-21: Anant Pratap Singh Rathore, Apurva Vats, Monica Saxena and Vishal Bijlani Semi-Finalists
- GD Goenka CIArb (India) International Virtual Commercial Arbitration Moot Competition 2020: Shreyaa Mohanty, Aayushman Awasthi and Saumya Tripathi – Quarterfinalists, Best Speaker Female (Shreyaa Mohanty).
- 11. Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition 2020: Deepika Hungenhally, Rithika Mathur and Toshika Soni Joint Runners up (Asia Pacific Rounds).
- 12. 13<sup>th</sup> edition of NALSAR-Justice B.R. Sawhney Moot Court Competition 2020: Onam Jain, Kirti Malik and Rati Choubey Quarterfinalists & Best Memorial.
- 13. 6<sup>th</sup> edition of Herbert Smith Freehills Competition Law Moot 2020: Ananya Satish, Prajna Dasmohapatra, Sushmit Mandal, and Yasaschandra DVS– Round of 12.
- 14. XIII edition of NLS-Trilegal International Arbitration Moot 2020 : Archit Chakravorty, Jayesh Advani, Lakshya Sharma and Priyank Shukla Best Respondent Memorial & Semi-Finalists.
- 15. 15<sup>th</sup> edition of G.H. Raisoni National Trial and Appellate Moot Court Competition 2020: Himanshu Shembekar, Manas Pratap Singh and Vedant Sharma Best Memorial.

### **DEBATING ACHIEVEMENTS**

- 1. Loquitur, 2021: Chitrangda Saini 4th Best Novice Speaker.
- 2. JLU British Parliamentary Debate, 1st Edition, 2021: Tulip Bhatia- 5th Best Adjudicator.
- 3. DTU Parliamentary Debate, 2021: Tulip Bhatia, Rae Kusumika, Prateek Srivastava- Breaking Team.
- 4. BITS Pilani PD, 2021: Tulip Bhatia- 3rd Best Adjudicator.
- 5. ViduShe, International Women's Debating Tournaments Championship, by Debate Network Nepal, 2021 : Tulip Bhatia and Rae Kusumika- Best Speakers and Winners.
- 6. 9th Ram Manohar Lohia Parliamentary Debate, 2021: Ananya Gudihal 5th Best Adjudicator.

- 7. NLS PD, 2021: Kaushik Das- Best Adjudicator.
- 8. NTU-Pre Worlds, 2021: Prachi Sahay, Kaushik Das- Novice Finalist.
- 9. POLEMIC, Ramjas Debating Society, 2021: Kaushik Das- Break-In.
- 10. MukMem, 2021: Kaushik Das- Break-In.
- 11. DSNLU PD, 2021: Prajjawal Shrivastav- Pre-Quarterfinalist.
- 12. Bhagyanagar Literary Festival, 2021: Anshuman Kar- Winner.
- 13. Christ University Debate, 2021: Shreyash Choudhury- 5th Best Adjudicator.
- 14. 9th Justice VM Tarkunde Memorial Debate, 2021: Shreyash Choudhury- Break-In.
- 15. Dialectics, Miranda House, 2021: Yashaswini Singh Chouhan-Break-In.
- 16. Dialectics, Miranda House, 2021: Shreyash Choudhury- 4th Best Adjudicator.
- 17. Pratijja by Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology, 2021: Shreyash Choudhury- 5th Best Adjudicator.
- 18. Pratijja by Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology, 2021: Samrath Kaur Kalsi- Break-In.
- 19. Pratijja by Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology, 2021: Rae Kusumika, Tulip Bhatia and Prateek Srivastava-Break-In.
- 20. BITS Pilani PD, 2021: Shreyas A. Rao and Prateek Srivastava-Break-In.
- 21. IIT Delhi Parliamentary Debate, 2021: Kushagra Dash, Mehera Pulaverty & Yashaswini Singh Chouhan-Novice Break-In.

# **Undergraduate Study Program**

In pursuit of its goal of promoting integrated knowledge, National Law University Odisha (NLUO) offers the following five-year integrated undergraduate programs:

#### B.A.LL.B. (Hons.)-120 Seats

#### B.B.A.LL.B (Hons.)- 60 Seats

# **Category Wise Intake**

Category	BALLB (106)	BBALLB (53)
General	85	43
Schedule Tribes	13	6
Schedule Caste	8	4

Note:

25% seats shall be reserved horizontally for Applicants under General, ST & SC Candidates under State Domicile Reservation\*

- 05% seats shall be reserved horizontally for Specially Abled Persons (SAP) at the all India level according to the Rights of the Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.
- Considering Orissa High Court decision the number of seats under NRI Sponsored Candidates may vary after the decision of the Governing Body of the University.

\*Eligibility Criteria for Domicile Reservation: Candidates who have passed 12th class or equivalent examination from the state of Odisha and secured at least 60% marks (or its equivalent grade) in the said examination from any recognized College/University in the state of Odisha.

Category	B.A.LL.B.	B.B.A.LL.B.
NRI/NRIS/PIO/OCI	10	05
Foreign National (FN)	04	02







#### **Fee Structure**

1	Tuition Fees (For General, ST, SC, SAP Students)	INR1,20,000.00 per annum
1.1	Tuition Fees (For Foreign National /NRI /NRI(S)/OCI/PIO Students)	US \$ 6000 per annum
2	Admission Fee	INR 5,000 per annum
3	Student welfare fund	INR 5,000 per annum
4	Examination Fee	INR 5,000 per annum
5	Internet / IT Service Fee	INR 5,000 per annum
6	Electricity charges	INR 15,000 per annum
7	Sports and games facilities	INR 2,000 per annum
8	Moot court / Seminar / Workshops	INR 6,000 per annum
9	Hostel fee	INR 25,000 per annum
10	Library fee	INR 3,000 per annum
11	Estate Maintenance	INR 10,000 per annum
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Refundable Deposits		
1	Library Deposit	INR 5,000 per annum
2	Mess Deposit	INR 5,000 per annum
Total		INR 10,000 per annum

**Note: 1.** The above fee structure does not include monthly mess charges. Students are required to pay the mess charges directly to the Mess Committee at the beginning of every semester.

2. The refundable deposits will be refunded only after successful completion of the course. The amount will not be refunded in case of cancellation of candidature by the student or otherwise during the tenure of the course.

### Post Graduate Study Program

National Law University Odisha offers one-year LL.M. Degree Program for students committed to make career in law teaching. The University offers LL.M. (one year) program with specialisations in (i) Corporate Law & Commercial Law (CCL) (ii) Constitutional Law & Administrative Law (CAL).

The Course comprises 03 Foundation/Compulsory Papers (three credits each), 06 Optional/Specialization Papers (two credits each) to be notified in each semester and Dissertation (3 credits).

**Category Wise Intake** 

Category	LL.M.
General	26
Schedule Tribes	6
Schedule Caste	4

Note:

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- The number of seats under NRI Sponsored Candidates may vary based upon the decision of the Governing Body of the Institution.

\*Eligibility Criteria for Domicile Reservation: Candidates who have passed Undergraduate law programme (B.A.LL.B./B.B.A.LL.B./LL.B.) or equivalent examination and secured at least 50% marks (or its equivalent grade) in the said examination from any recognized College/University in the state of Odisha.

Category	LL.M.
NRI/NRIS/PIO/OCI	04
Foreign National (FN)	10



#### **Fee Structure**

1	Tuition Fees	INR70,000.00 per annum
1.1	Tuition fee for Foreign National Students/NRI Students	US \$ 4,000 per annum
2	Admission Fee	INR 5,000 per annum
3	Student welfare fund	INR 5,000 per annum
4	Examination Fee	INR 5,000 per annum
5	Internet / IT Service Fee	INR 5,000 per annum
6	Electricity charges	INR 15,000 per annum
7	Sports and games facilities	INR 1,000 per annum
8	Moot court / Seminar / Workshops	INR 3,000 per annum
9	Hostel fee	INR 22,000 per annum
10	Estate Maintenance	INR 10,000 per annum
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Refundable Deposits		
1	Library Deposit	INR 5,000 per annum
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### Scholarship

The National Law University Odisha offers scholarships to deserving and needy undergraduate students from second year onwards keeping in view their financial status, need and their academic achievement(s). The University also makes every effort to announce scholarships offered by outside agencies which may be of interest to our students.

#### **Earning While Learning**

Earning while learning' is a student aid scheme instituted by NLUO to help students tide over financial insufficiency. Under this Scheme University allows students to serve in the library or work on the research projects undertaken by the University from time to time in lieu of remuneration to be decided by the University.





Football Ground

**Cultural Event** 



NLUO has a library comparable to the best elsewhere. Its resources are constantly updated to keep pace with the recent developments in all the fields of law, humanities and science which involve legal issues of any kind. In the present era of information technology library management too is not left out from harnessing the benefits of it. At NLUO both the academic as well as residential blocks have been provided with round the clock connectivity through leased line connection using state-of-art Wi-fi technology. This in turn enhances accessibility to e-resources within the University premises at all times and irrespective of the location



of the users. NLUO has subscribed all important national as well as international databases. These include Hein Online, Lexis Nexis, Kluwer Arbitration International, Corporate Law Advisor, Manupatra, EPW, JSTOR, Sage Journals Online, Advocate Khoj, AIR Online Database and Westlaw India. In addition, the CD/DVD collection includes about 250 documents including Palmer on Company Law, Journal of Indian Law Institute and Annual Survey of Indian Law etc. The library has thousands of physical and online resources for students and faculty members.



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