

Semester Exchange & International JD Dual Degree Information Session

American University
Washington College of Law
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Overview

- >50% of WCL students complete part of their legal education outside the US
- WCL offers more than 30 different opportunities to learn abroad for a semester or more
- WCL provides these opportunities on 6 continents.
- Opportunities range in length from 1 semester to 2 years

Worldwide Opportunities



Semester Opportunities

◉ Europe

- Belgium (1)
- Denmark (1)
- England (1)
- France (1)*
- Finland (1)
- Germany (2)
- Italy (1)
- Norway (2)
- Scotland (1)
- Spain (2)*
- The Netherlands (1)
- Turkey (1)

◉ Asia & Oceania

- Australia (1)
- China (2, Main, HK)
- Korea (2)
- Israel (1)

◉ The Americas

- Argentina (1)*
- Canada (2)
- Chile (1)*
- Mexico (1)*
- Colombia (3)*

◉ Africa

- South Africa (1)

* Programs offering limited-or-no classes in English

Program Benefits

- ◉ Transfer 12 credits (no grades) to WCL
- ◉ Specialize in topics not offered at WCL
- ◉ Build networks and expertise abroad
- ◉ Explore foreign legal systems like a local student
- ◉ Challenge your understanding of US law
- ◉ Improve your intercultural competencies
- ◉ Enhance your resume with international experience
- ◉ Improve foreign language skills
- ◉ Meet like-minded students and faculty

Due Dates & Qualifications

Application Deadline

- Spring abroad: September 1
- Fall abroad: March 1

Qualifications

- 2L or 3L in good standing
- Minimum 3.0 GPA

Additional Criteria

- Statement of Purpose
- Language proficiency (where necessary)
- Previous experience abroad



International JD Dual Degree Programs

- ◉ Australia (Melbourne): **JD/JD** WCL JD and Monash Master of Laws (*Juris Doctor*) JD
- ◉ Canada (Ottawa): **JD/JD** WCL JD and Ottawa JD
- ◉ France (Paris)*: **JD/Master 1&2** WCL JD and Nanterre Master 1 and Master 2
- ◉ Spain (Madrid)*: **JD/LLM** WCL JD and Carlos III LLM (Masters in European Union Law)

Due Dates & Qualifications

Application Deadline

- January 31, 2015

Qualifications

- Minimum 3.0/3.3 GPA and in good standing
- Minimum 59 credits completed before departure
- All additional JD requirements completed before departure (professional skills and writing requirements)

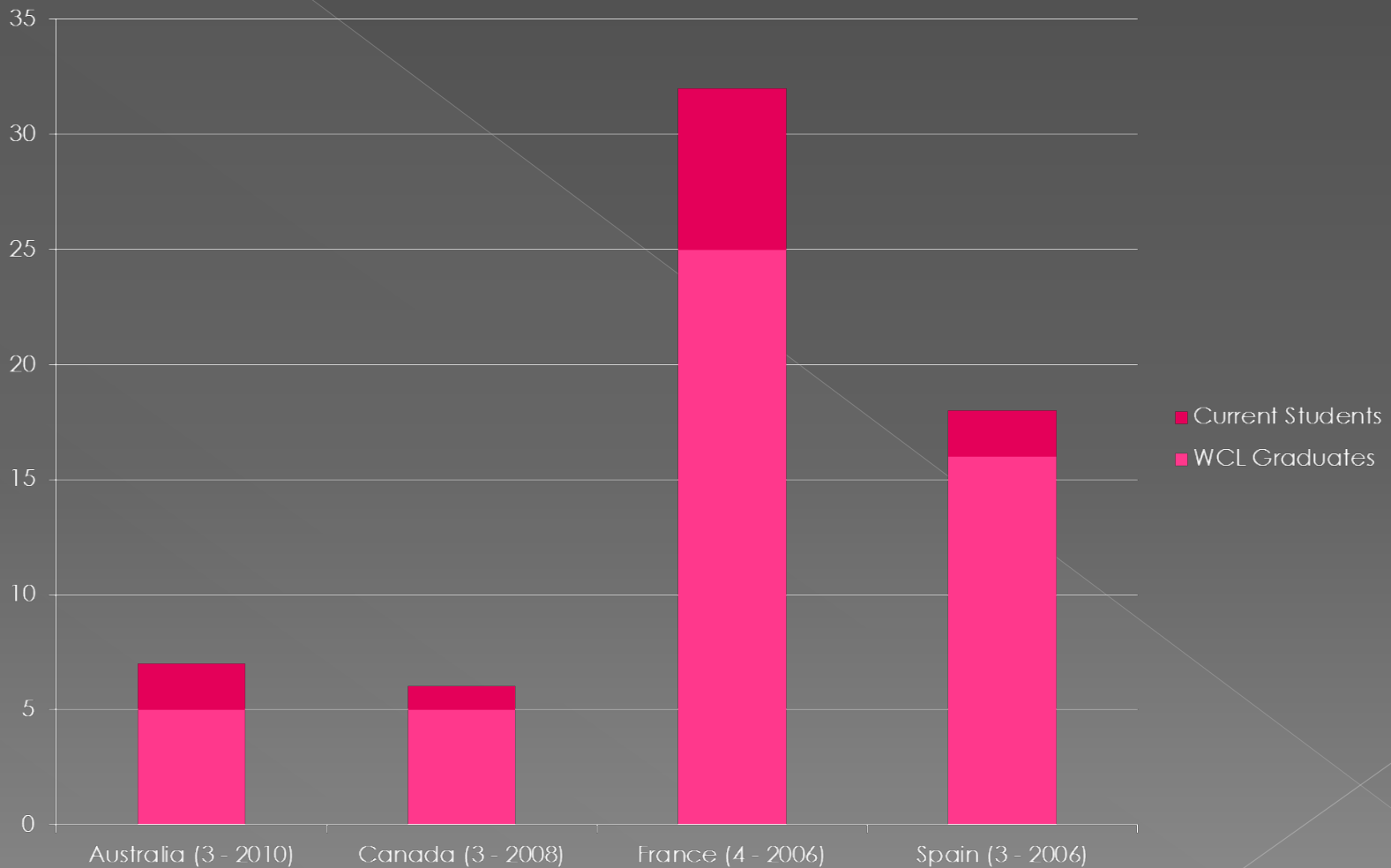
Additional Criteria

- Statement of Purpose
- Language proficiency (where necessary)
- Previous experience abroad
- Letter of recommendation, resume and transcript

Program Benefits

- ◉ Earn an international law degree
- ◉ Transfer credits, not grades
- ◉ Develop local expertise and perspective
- ◉ Gain international experience
- ◉ Network
- ◉ Improve foreign language skills
- ◉ Increase intercultural competencies
- ◉ Eligible to complete attorney certification in a foreign country
- ◉ Double your job prospects

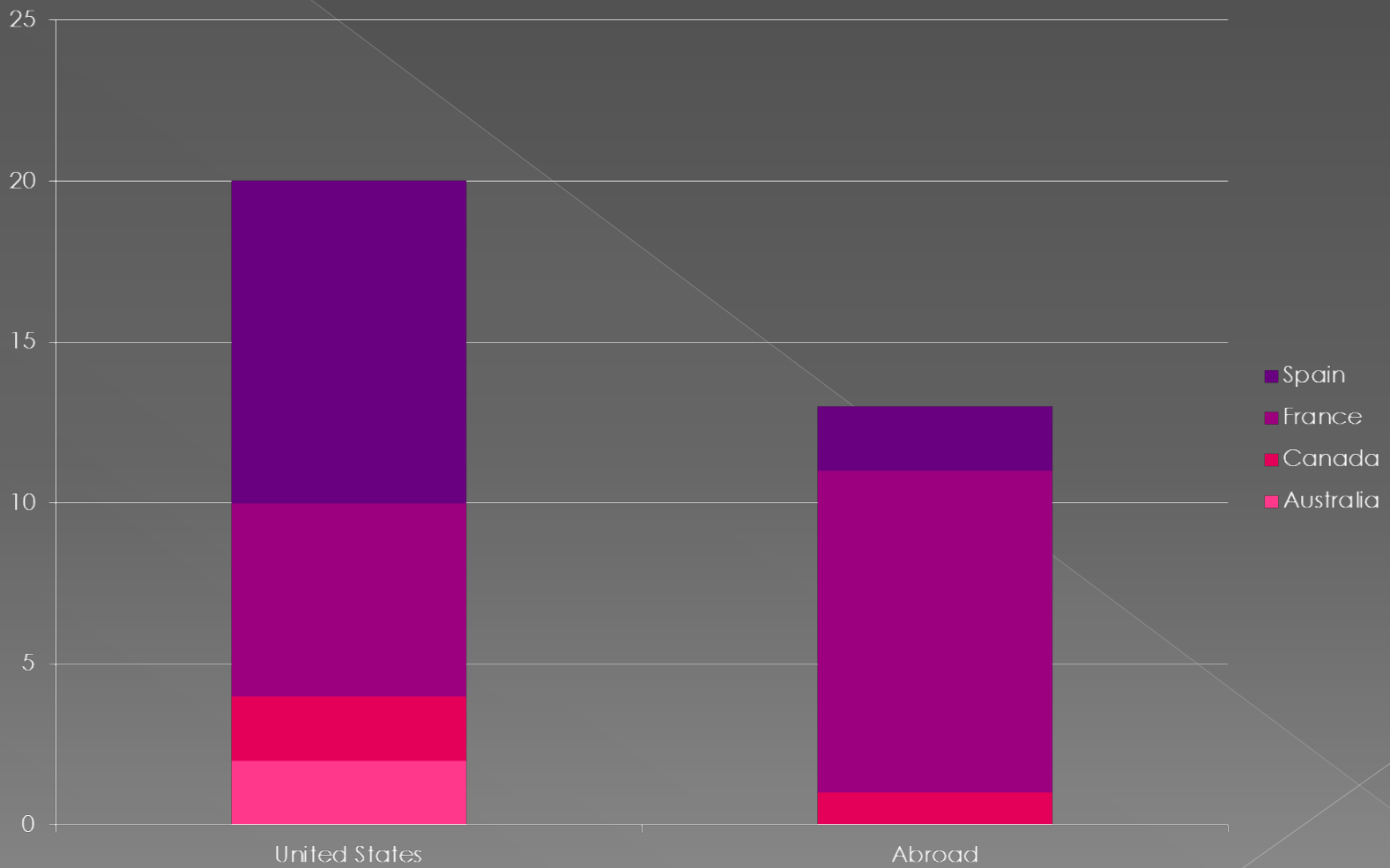
International JD Dual Degree Student Participation, 2006-2014



Qualities of successful students

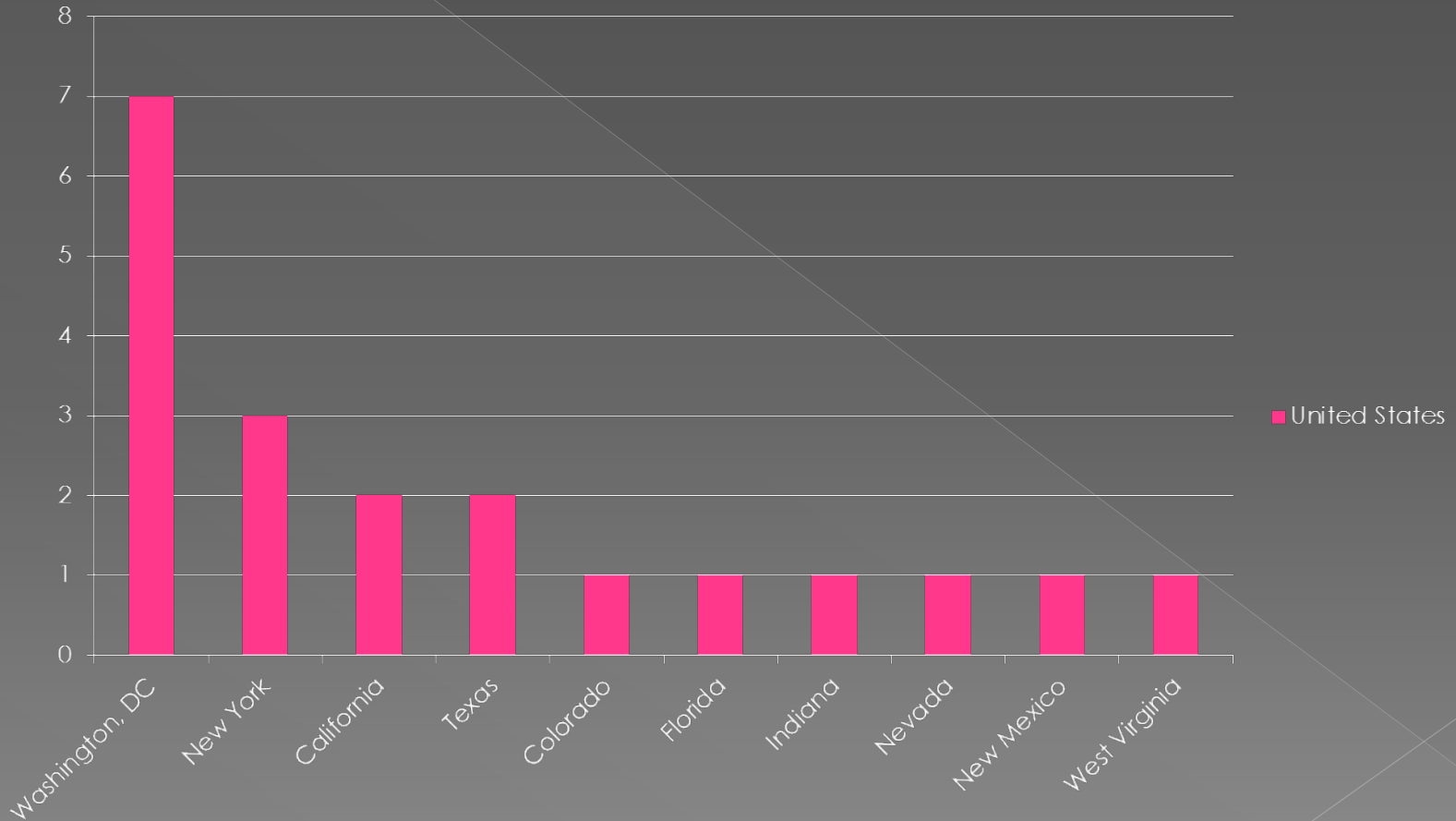
- "hard-working and truly interested in integrating into another country's legal system."
- "comfortable that they will likely not follow a traditional career path."
- "adventurous spirit, who is independent but social enough to make friends easily, someone who is flexible and can adjust to things not working the same way in other law schools as they do at American."
- "proactive and strategic about planning their legal careers."
- "have traveled and lived outside of the United States before."

Where are they now?



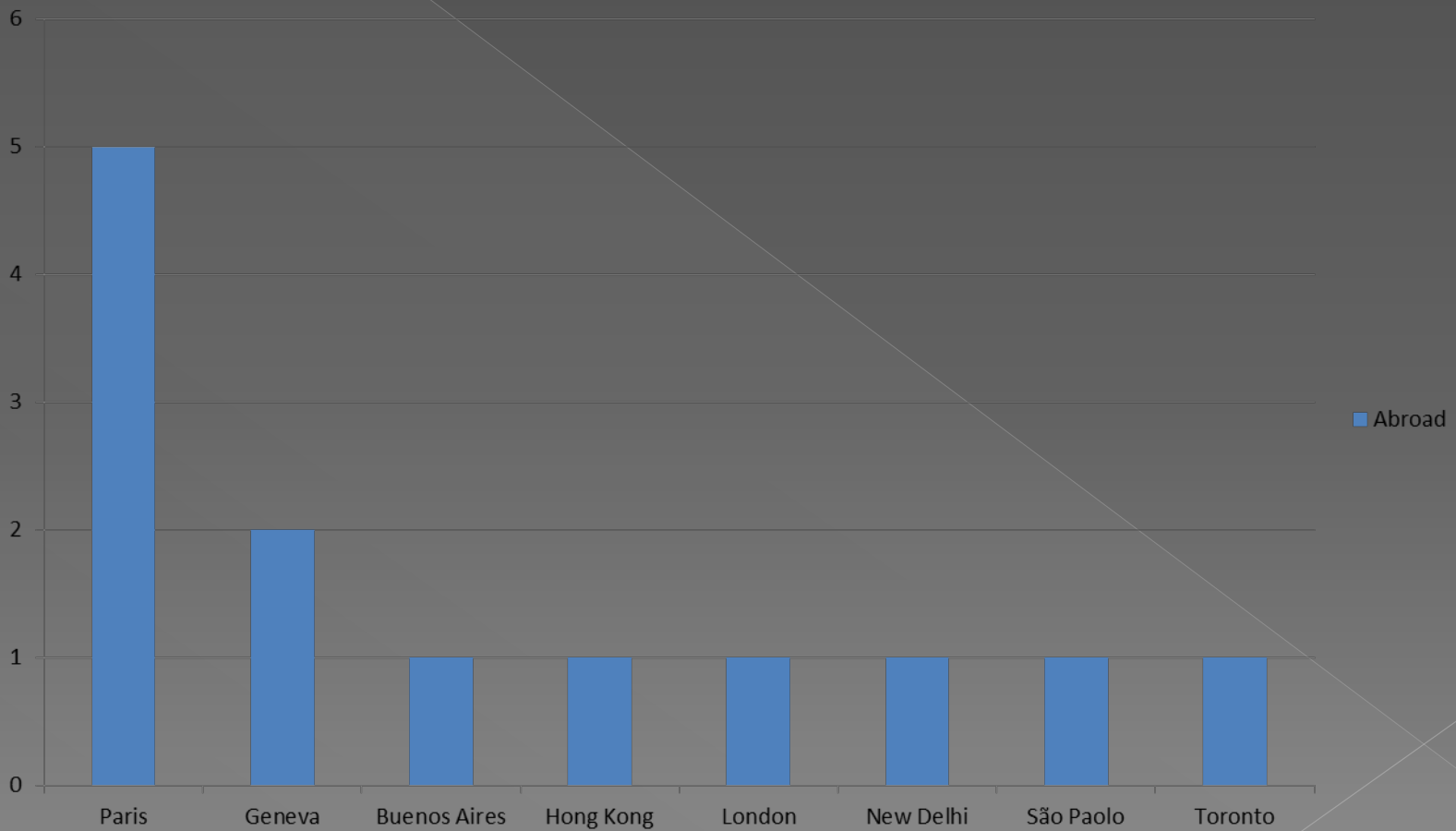
US-based Alumni

United States



Alumni based abroad

Abroad



Current Places of Employment

- Inter-American Development Bank (DC)
- World Bank (DC)
- Africa Center for Strategic Studies (DC)
- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (DC)
- Baker & McKenzie (Miami)
- Fragomen (New York)
- State Public Defender's Office (NM)
- State Attorney General's Office (NV)
- State Prosecutor's Office (WV)
- Jones Day (San Francisco)
- Jones Day (Paris)
- Hogan & Lovells (Paris)
- White & Case (Paris)
- General Electric (Paris)
- Université Paris Sud – Faculté Jean Monnet (Paris)
- World Trade Organization (Geneva)
- International Displacement Monitoring Centre (Geneva)
- Ford Foundation (Buenos Aires)
- Human Rights Law Network (New Delhi)
- King & Wood Mallesons (Hong Kong)
- Freshfields (London)
- Shearman & Sterling (São Paulo)
- Tory's (Toronto)

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