



## Uma Singh

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Program title: LLM in International Law

Hometown: Nagpur, India

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Age: 30

### Career History

Uma Singh graduated from Oregon State University in 2005 with a bachelor's degree in philosophy. She is currently seeking the LLM in international law at California University. Originally from India, this is her account of graduate studies in the United States.

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### PLEASE DESCRIBE THE PROGRAM YOU ARE ENROLLED IN.

Since my focus of study is in international law, I participated in a lot of student-teaching scenarios and other real-world education opportunities. My instructors helped me by constantly challenging me to test my own personal philosophies.

### WHY DID YOU CHOOSE YOUR PROGRAM?

California University, located in San Francisco, is in the perfect location, right within one of the most important legal hubs in the United States. I had access to some of the world's foremost legal firms and research libraries, and the opportunities for networking with other attorneys were endless.

### WHAT DO YOU THINK ARE THE BEST ASPECTS OF THE PROGRAM?

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### HOW WOULD YOU SUM UP YOUR EXPERIENCE OF EARNING YOUR LLM AT THIS SCHOOL?

Learning to be outgoing was a big adjustment to me, especially in a new country full of diversity, because I am very shy. But CU is a warm culture, full of friendly people who are ready to help. I quickly became comfortable.

### WHAT DID YOU GAIN FROM STUDYING ALONGSIDE YOUR FELLOW STUDENTS?

It has changed the way I view the world completely. My mind is open to new cultures and opportunities, and I am more committed than ever to learning everything I can about the legal world.

### HOW DID YOU COPE WITH THE DEMANDS OF YOUR PROGRAM?

Managing my time was difficult as a parent, so I struggled to find ways to fit family time into a busy schedule of study and work.

### WHY WOULD YOU RECOMMEND THIS PROGRAM TO OTHERS?

The thing that I most enjoyed about my LLM studies at CU was the sense of community I felt with the faculty and the other students. I still maintain very close friendships with the people I met there, and for that reason I would recommend an education at CU to anyone considering studying law.

### WHAT WOULD BE YOUR ADVICE FOR SOMEONE CONSIDERING ENROLLING IN AN LLM PROGRAM?

I would tell future LLM students to meet and develop a rapport with their instructors immediately—they will be your most reliable tool in learning what you need to know to embark on a successful career.