



UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY

LL.M. and J.D. programs at UMKC

The University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law is a public law school founded in 1895 as the Kansas City School of Law, a private, independent law school located in downtown Kansas City. Three young lawyers – William Borland, Edward Ellison and Elmer Powell – founded the law school with assistance from members of the bench and bar.

- **Scholarships.** UMKC Law School has earmarked more than \$150,000 in scholarship funds that can be used to help support Chinese students in both programs. There is one full-tuition scholarship for the J.D. program and one full-tuition scholarship for the LL.M. program, and approximately 10 partial scholarships (worth USD \$10,000 to USD \$20,000 each per year).

- **Outstanding value.** UMKC has been recognized as an outstanding value for legal education in the U.S. All of the Chinese students attending UMKC have partial tuition scholarships which currently reduce the cost of educational fees to USD \$15,500 for the LL.M. and USD \$15,500 per year for the J.D.

- **Bar Exam Success.** UMKC has an exceptionally good bar passage rate in Missouri and in New York. UMKC has its own bar exam preparation program to give graduate extra help to prepare for the exam.

- **Transfer Opportunity.** Students who are successful in the LL.M. program may transfer to the J.D. program **without** taking the Law School Admission Test (LSAT).

- **Exceptional support.** Students may attend a Summer Legal English Workshop and a Summer Enrichment program to prepare for law studies. Tutorials are available to students, and most students qualify for extra time on examinations.

Those who are interested can contact Dean Jeffery Thomas at thomasje@umkc.edu to learn more or to set up a meeting or interview.