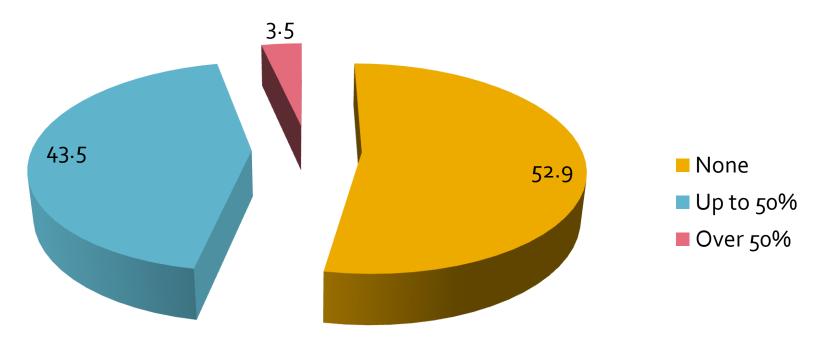
## Study Abroad in U.S. Legal Education

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## TREND: The Merging of Domestic and Global Practice

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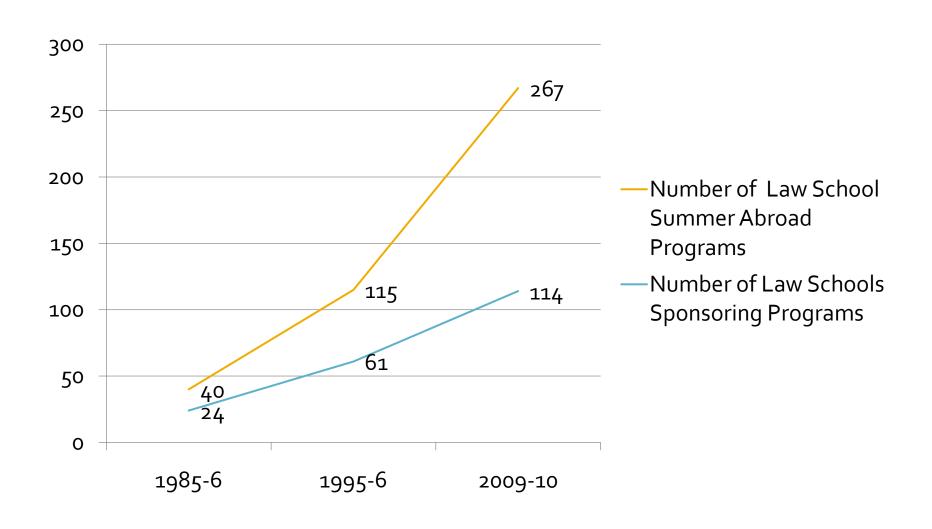
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#### FAST FACTS: Law Study Abroad

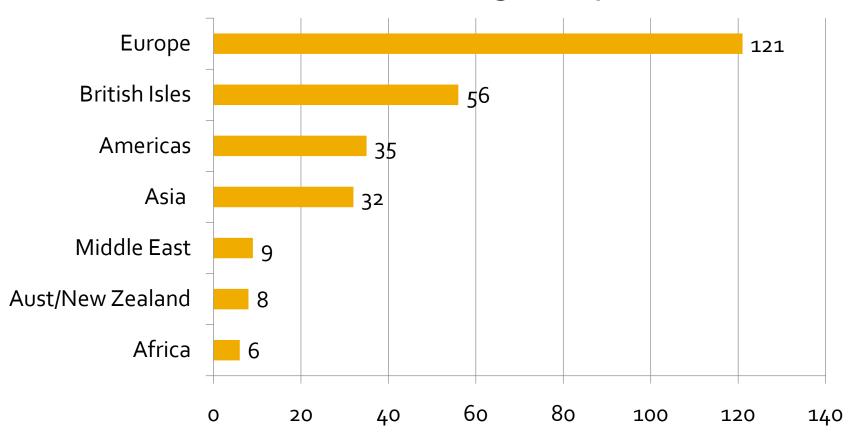
- All 200 U.S. law schools permit study abroad
- ABA tightly monitors all programs
  - ABA issues detailed Criteria for study abroad programs
  - Annual reporting to ABA for every program
  - Periodic site visits by ABA team
  - Prohibits use of study abroad to graduate early
- Number of study abroad participants is known but unpublished
- Post- 1L summer study most popular by far

# TREND: Study Abroad in U.S. Law Schools has Dramatically Increased



## WHERE DO LAW STUDENTS STUDY ABROAD?

#### 2010 Law School Summer Programs by Location



#### PHASES OF DEVELOPMENT: LAW STUDY ABROAD

PHASE 1: REPLICATING U.S. LAW CLASSROOM ABROAD

PHASE 2: STUDENTS STUDY IN FOREIGN LAW SCHOOLS

PHASE 3: STUDY ABROAD EMBEDDED IN DOMESTIC COURSE

## What is the Role of Study Abroad in the Law School?

- Meets Student Demand for Overseas Study
- May Establish an Identity for a Law School
  - Distinguishing Element in Domestic Market
  - Expand School's Reputation Abroad
- Expands International Law Course Offerings
- Exposes students to foreign legal systems and fosters awareness of other legal cultures
- Important Faculty Development Opportunity

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