

American scholars in land-use law publish their analyses. International journal ranking may not matter for American legal scholars (given the domestic substitutes), but it does matter to many overseas scholars. It is not surprising that few scholars from abroad publish in these journals.

Urban Lawyer - American Bar Association (Was indexed by SJR until 2012)
Fordham Urban Law Journal - Fordham University School of Law
Journal of Affordable Housing and Community Development Law - American Bar Association)
Journal of Law, Property, and Society
Journal of Property, Planning and Environmental Law –U of South Carolina School of Law
Pace Environmental Law Review - Pace University School of Law
UCLA Journal of Environmental Law and Policy - UCLA School of Law
Environmental Law - Lewis & Clark Law School
Planning and Environmental Law (APA) – formerly called **Land Use Law and Zoning Digest**

Figure 2: Status of international indexing for academic/professional journals in the United States that specialize in land-use law and related legal fields. Currently, none is indexed. The *Urban Lawyer* was indexed for several years, then stopped.

In a sister field, urban planning, the academic journals published in the United States used to be highly domestic. Gradually, these journals recognized the merits of international reach. Today, U.S.-based planning journals play a major role in cross-national academic knowledge. Analysis of knowledge transfer is now a topic in its own right in planning theory.⁵⁰

International academic conferences are another platform for international knowledge exchange. These events aim to promote in-person peer evaluation and collaboration. In recent years, international conferences are available in land-use and planning law too.⁵¹ However, the number of American scholars who attend these conferences remains small. Conferences on land-use law held in the United States do not usually engage participants from overseas. Thus, due to self-isolation, the superb scholarship in American land-use law is very difficult to access by overseas scholars..

50. See, e.g., PATSY HEALEY ET AL., *CROSSING BORDERS: INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE AND PLANNING PRACTICES* (Patsy Healey & Robert Upton eds., 2010).

51. I am the Founding President of the International Academic Association on Planning, Law, and Property Rights (PLPR), founded in 2007. The association is very vibrant in stimulating international knowledge exchange. Its annual conference draws participants from scores of countries. Each year the conference is hosted by a university in a different country, including three times in the United States. With 100 to 200 academic papers delivered every year, cross-national collaboration in published papers has increased severalfold since the Association's founding. Dan Mandelker honored us with his presence some years ago. An American, Richard Norton, was PLPR's past president. However, only a handful of American land-use scholars participate regularly. More recently, the Fordham Urban Law Center has begun hosting international and comparative urban law conferences. *Urban Law Center*, FORDHAM UNIV., <https://www.fordham.edu/info/20699/urban-law-center> (last visited Apr. 22, 2023). Again, only a small number of U.S. land-use scholars attend regularly. A closely related field—property law—presents a good model. The Association of Law, Property and Society was founded in 2009 and holds annual conferences with a truly global reach. Many U.S. scholars in property law regularly attend.