



INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN LAW

Programme type Master's studies (university)

Field of study Law Study area Law

Degree Master in Law

Duration 1.5 years (3 semesters)

90 ECTS Workload English Language of instruction

Vilnius, Lithuania Location September 1st Starting date 3000 Eur/year

Tuition fee EU students Tuition fee Non-EU students 3000 Eur/year

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

The objective

To train legal experts and legal service professionals with the comprehensive and profound knowledge about international, international-regional and European legal norms that influence the most important areas of national legal systems, as well as development, interpretation and application practice of these legal norms.

Abilities to identify analyse and solve complex problems related to law-making and legal application in the contexts of international and European law.

Abilities to apply the acquired knowledge in professional practice in an innovative and integral way in order to settle disputes and legal conflicts that arise in international environment.

Critical approach and skills to carry out independent research and provide suggestions based on scientific analysis.

Career opportunities

The qualification enables graduates to be legal experts (advisers) to both public and private entities, engage themselves as problem analysts or researchers in academic institutions as well as to work in all major legal professions in national and international, governmental and non-governmental organizations and companies. A possibility of holding an office in regulated professions (judges, solicitors, prosecutors, civil servants etc.) will depend on qualification requirements applicable in a particular country and the recognition of foreign studies.

Access to further studies

Graduates of the programme will be able to pursue academic career in Lithuania and abroad in continuing their postgraduate studies in PhD programme in social sciences.

KEY LEARNING OUTCOMES

The ability to understand and interpret the meaning of International and European legal norms and to properly apply these norms to justify legal decisions, to lay out own ideas in an argumentative, critical and logical way both orally and in writing, to apply knowledge in practice in an innovative and integrated way, to apply principles of European law and international legal institutions, relevant to business environment, as well as the content of constituent legal norms, to analyze and critically assess the characteristics of application and enactment of regulated relations in national legal systems, to correctly interpret, analyse legal texts as well scientific, legally significant data and to formulate conclusions with regard to various cultures.

COURSE INFORMATION

The programme has the following structure:

COURSE TYPE	Credits	TRACK				
1st semester	30	International Law and	Tech Law	Business Law		
		Human Rights				
Compulsory Courses	20					
	10	Global Law and Legal Ethics				
	5	Human Rights in Global Perspective	Technology Law	European Private Law		
	5	Advanced Issues in Public International Law	Contract Law and E-Commerce	International and European Company Law		
Elective	10					
Courses (2 electives)						
	5	Cybersecurity Law and Cybercrime				
	5	Co	Consumer Protection Law			
	5	External Relations Law of the European Union FinTech Law				
	5					
	5	Health- and Biotechnology Law Law on Competition in Digital Economy				
	5					
2nd semester	30	International Law and Human Rights	Tech Law	Business Law		
Compulsory Courses	20					
	10	International Dispute Resolution				
	5	Contemporary Approach to International Humanitarian Law and Humanitarian Action	Data Protection and Privacy Law	Corporate Governance		
	5	Protection of Human Rights in Practice	E-Justice and Online Dispute Resolution	Business Transactions		
Elective Courses (2	10					

electives)					
	5	Employment Law in Global and Digital Economy			
	5	Global Tax Law			
	5	Intellectual Property Law and Technologies			
	5	Legal Innovation and Entrepreneurship			
	5	Social Networks and Media Law			
	5	Sustainable Development and Environmental Law			
3rd semester	30	International Law and Human Rights	Tech Law	Business Law	
Compulsory	30				
Courses					
	5	Master Seminar			
	25	Master Thesis			

A full-time study programme lasts three semesters (1.5 years, 90 ECTS). At the beginning of the studies, each student **chooses the track** he or she is interested in from three options:

- International Law and Human Rights;
- Tech Law;
- Business Law.

Students study two **general compulsory courses** (20 ECTS) that represent the core of the programme, as well as four **compulsory courses** (20 ECTS) **in the selected track** of interest. The remaining credits (20 ECTS) are allocated for the student's free choice. These **optional courses** (4 electives) provide an opportunity to design individual studies' profile within the areas of student's concern and needs and to pursue personal education agenda. Each course includes lectures as well as practical instruction time (seminars, workshops, moot activities, etc.). Like all masters, this study programme is concluded by the preparation of **Master Thesis** (30 ECTS) on a scientifically and/or practically relevant topic.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The Master of Law degree is awarded upon a successful completion of the entire programme and the Master Thesis, which is defended in a viva voce examination before the board of scholars.

EXAMINATION AND ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS

Every course concludes with either a written or written and oral examination assessed on a ten-point scale. In some courses individual work of students is expected; at the end of the course cumulative assessment is applied.

APPLICATION AND SELECTION REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor of Laws or an equivalent qualification of a jurist from institutions of higher education;
- Language proficiency depending on the group:

English language proficiency - the level not lower than B2 (following the Common Framework of Reference for Language approved by the Council of Europe), proof of proficiency in English: IELTS 5.5+, iBT TOEFL 65+;

The requirement does not apply to those who have graduated from the studies delivered in English or if it is a native language of a candidate.

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