

# MASTER OF LAWS IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS LAW

60 ECTS CREDITS - LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

## WHAT

The LLM in International Business Law is a flagship programme for students seeking to specialise in the international legal aspects of business practice in our globalising world. While allowing a degree of personal choice, it steers students towards the key legal building blocks of international business law, guaranteeing an advanced degree with real added value in a business oriented career. The Ghent LLM in International Business Law allows students to gain in-depth knowledge about all practice areas and is aimed at future or already experienced lawyers and in-house counsel dealing with commercial, corporate, securities and banking legal issues, as well as international economic law. Built around the renowned Financial Law Institute, the programme combines the expertise of its professors with that of experienced practitioners in areas like M&A, Intellectual Property and Arbitration, to bring students hands-on experience. All courses in the LLM focus either on EU-wide regulation or use a comparative law approach. The programme is ideally suited for students from outside the EU who need a thorough background in EU regulation and for those from within the EU who want to escape the provincial study of national law.

## STRUCTURE

Students need to obtain 60 credits, over a period of two semesters. There is great flexibility in shaping one's own curriculum. Approximately thirty credits cover specializing courses in Economic Law and compulsory, supporting courses dealing mainly with various skills for lawyers. Students are also required to write a 15 credits LLM-paper in connection with one of the courses on the LLM-programme. The remaining credits are filled with elective courses on a variety of topics from the following fields: Economic and Social Law, European Law, Transport Law. Students can choose from approximately twenty-five different courses, all of which are exclusively taught in English. Teaching is generally done interactively, requiring advanced reading and class participation. The programme typically hosts several internationally reputed guest professors. Students can also choose to participate in one of the various moot courts as an official part of their curricula. Organised social activities are an important part of the LLM-experience, and not all are extracurricular. Curricular activities include guided visits to important EU and international institutions, and participation in several colloquia.

## Master's dissertation

The master's dissertation is a requirement for every candidate to obtain a master's degree. The master's dissertation is an original piece of research work. It aims to develop and strengthen the research capacity skills of the students. The student selects a topic and is given guidance by a promoter or supervisor.

## LABOUR MARKET

The programme enables the students to greatly enhance their chances when applying for an international legal job.

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## TOELATINGSVOORWAARDEN VOOR HOUDERS VAN EEN VLAAMS DIPLOMA

### 1 Na onderzoek van de bekwaamheid van de student om de opleiding te volgen:

- a opleidingen nieuwe structuur:
  - Een diploma van een masteropleiding aansluitend op een bacheloropleiding
  - Een diploma van een masteropleiding die volgt op een andere masteropleiding
  - Master in de rechten
- b opleidingen oude structuur:
  - Een diploma van een academische opleiding van de tweede cyclus

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL DEGREE STUDENTS

To have a law degree, i.e. the degree that - in its country of origin - is required for the exercise of the legal professions. Students who are graduating may apply and can be conditionally admitted, subject to the successful completion of their degree.

After an examination of their curriculum and in view of their acquired competences, candidates may be admitted who have a university degree other than law. In such case, the admission may be made subject to limitations with respect to the courses to be followed.

To present proof of sufficient English proficiency, as indicated in the application form.

To have sufficient financial support, as indicated in the application form, either through personal financial means or via financial aid.

To apply for admission to the LLM-programme before the deadline, with the completed application form and all required documents.

Information on admission requirements and the administrative procedure for admission on the basis of a diploma obtained abroad, can be found on the following page: <https://www.ugent.be/prospect/en/administration/enrolment-or-registration>.

## LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Language requirements Dutch: no language requirements  
English: CEFR level C1

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### Study programme

[studiekeizer.ugent.be/master-of-laws-in-international-business-law-en/programma](http://studiekeizer.ugent.be/master-of-laws-in-international-business-law-en/programma)

### Information sessions

#### Graduation Fair

[afstudeerbeurs.gent/en/students/further-studies](http://afstudeerbeurs.gent/en/students/further-studies)

### Enrolling institution

Information on enrolment at Ghent University.

### Application Deadline (for International degree students)

#### For both Belgian and international students:

The application for this advanced master programme is to be started up via the specific LLM website.

The application form and the accompanying documents, in electronic version and in hard copy, should reach the International Admissions Desk in the spring of the year preceding the academic year for which you are applying. Early applications are recommended (certainly for students in need of visa - before 1 April) and will be decided upon between February and June/early July. Applications received after June will be considered if the number of students admitted previously permits.

### Tuition fee

More information is to be found on: [www.ugent.be/tuitionfee](http://www.ugent.be/tuitionfee)

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