

MASTER OF LAWS IN INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN LAW (COMPARATIVE LAW AND TRANSNATIONAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION)

60 ECTS CREDITS - LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

WHAT

The mandatory part is divided into two main pillars. The first pillar focuses on Comparative Law. This course will immerse students in the theory and praxis of legal comparison, with a view for equipping them with the needed skills for thinking law across borders and legal cultures. The second pillar centres on Transnational Dispute Resolution. The aim here is, first and foremost, to train students in private international law and to equip them with the international mindset needed to tackle complex cross-border legal problems. In addition, the program seeks to familiarize students with the general principles of international and European civil procedure.

In addition, Ghent University Law School has a wide array of English language courses on a great variety of European and international law issues. This LLM specialisation provides students with an opportunity to design their own curricula in accordance with their career priorities. It enables them to gain expertise on many contemporary topical issues of European, international and comparative law.

For students seeking to broadly develop their skills and knowledge for a career with an international dimension (whether in research, legal practice, or an international institution), this programme offers many opportunities. While enabling students to focus on particular subjects of interest, such as additional courses on dispute resolution, including arbitration, or participation in a moot court, it also fully accommodates the needs of those students who seek a general European and international law education. With its combination of academic modules and supporting skills, the specialization prepares students for the international professional life that is increasingly the reality of law professionals all over the world.

STRUCTURE

Students need to obtain 60 credits, over a period of two semesters. There is great flexibility in shaping one's own curriculum. Fifteen credits cover courses specializing in comparative law and method, international and European procedure law and international private law. Ten more credits are dedicated to the compulsory supporting courses dealing mainly with various legal and political developments in order to broaden the horizons of

legal professionals. Students are also required to write a fifteen-credits' worth LLM Paper in connection with one of the courses on the curriculum.

The remaining credits are filled with elective courses on a variety of topics from the following fields: European Law, Economic and Social Law, Environmental Law, Public International Law, Criminal Law and Human Rights Law. Students can choose from approximately forty-five different courses, all of which are taught exclusively in English. Teaching is generally done interactively, requiring advanced reading and class participation. The programme typically hosts several internationally reputed guest professors with a rotation on a yearly basis. Students can also choose to participate in one of the various moot courts or legal clinic 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

Completing the Master's dissertation is a requirement for any student who wants to obtain their Master's degree. The Master's dissertation is an original piece of research. Its aim is to develop and strengthen the students' research skills. Students select a topic and receive guidance from a supervisor throughout the academic year.

LABOUR MARKET

The programme enables the students to enhance their career chances greatly 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 at C1-level.

To have sufficient financial support, 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>.

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LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

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

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Study programme

studiekiezer.ugent.be/master-of-laws-in-international-and-european-law-comparative-law-and-transnational-dispute-resolution-en/programma

Information sessions

EVOLV

evolv.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 Oasis.

The application form and the accompanying documents, in electronic version, should reach the International Admissions Desk in the spring of the year preceding the academic year for which you are applying. Please refer to the different application deadlines mentioned below for EU/EEA citizen students, non EU/EEA citizen students and students holding a Belgian diploma. Early applications are recommended (certainly for students in need of visa) and will be decided upon between February and June/early July.

Application Deadlines

- Before 1st of April for non EU/EEA citizen students
 - Before 1st of June for non EU/EEA citizen students living in Belgium with a valid residence permit
 - Before 1st of June for EU/EEA citizen students
- After 1 June, late applications might exceptionally still be analysed on an individual basis, if the number of available places on the programme would still allow for this.

Tuition fee

More information is to be found on: www.ugent.be/tuitionfee

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