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master of Law (MLaw)

GENERAL OUTLINE

Objectives

The Master of Law seeks to broaden, develop and supplement knowledge acquired in the Bachelor's degree. The Master of Law programme is designed to allow you to orient your studies according to your interests and professional ambitions. You can therefore opt for a "general" Master's, i.e. without subject area, freely compiling your programme from available Master's courses, or combine your Master's degree with one or two subject areas focusing on any of the following fields: Business Law, Employment Law and Social Security, Public Law, International and Comparative Law, Private and Tax Law of Estates, Litigation Law, Legal Theory.

Career prospects

University studies develop a great many transverse skills such as: oral and written communication, critical, analytical and summarising faculties, abilities in research, and so on. This panoply of skills, combined with specialist knowledge acquired in the course of studies, is excellent preparation for a wide range of employment opportunities.

The Master of Law paves the way to training as a barrister or notary and prepares students to enter various legal professions available in public administration, the courts, private companies and international organisations.

Other career prospects can be considered, for example in culture, politics or business.

Alumni testimonials and other information :
www.unil.ch/perspectives/droit

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Organiser

School of Law, Faculty of Law, Criminal Justice and Public Administration :
www.unil.ch/ecolededroit

Degree awarded

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 One or two subject areas may be chosen: Business Law, Labour Law and Social Security, Public Law, International and Comparative Law, Private and Tax Law of Estates, Litigation Law, Legal Theory

ECTS credits

90

Duration

3 semesters

Teaching language

Courses are mainly taught in French. Recommended level: C1. A few specific courses are given in English or German. See the course content on the School website :
www.unil.ch/ecolededroit

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Regulations and additional information concerning the course

www.unil.ch/ecolededroit
 Updated study plans:
www.unil.ch/ecolededroit

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 Subject to changes
 Only the official texts should be considered binding.



EDUCATIONAL CONTENT

Description

The Master of Law programme corresponds to 90 ECTS credits, distributed as follows:

- Module 1: 69 credits for the courses;
- Module 2: 6 credits for personal work;
- Module 3: 15 credits for the Master's thesis.

To obtain a Master of Law with one or more subject areas, you must complete the courses, worth 30 ECTS credits, specific to these subject areas, and validate personal work and the Master's thesis in the subject area.

SYLLABUS

* Compulsory course to obtain the subject area

Courses whose title is shown in English are taught in English.

Business Law

- Mergers, Acquisitions and Takeover Bid Regulations*
- Advanced Contract Law*
- Economic Analysis of Law
- Banking Law
- Energy Law in Swiss and European Law
- Competition Law Switzerland - EU
- Consumer Law
- Real Estate Law
- Private Insurance Law
- Public Contract Law
- Law of International Trade
- International Economic Law
- Economic Criminal Law
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Taxation
- Civil and Commercial Mediation
- Intellectual property
- Data protection

Legal Theory

- Advanced Administrative Law
- Comparative Constitutional Law
- International Business Law
- Common Foundations of European Law
- Advanced History of Law
- Economic Analysis of Law
- Philosophy of Law II
- General Principles of Private Law
- Microeconomics & Game Theory

Public Law

- Territorial Development and Building Policy
- Advanced Administrative Law
- Comparative Constitutional Law
- Energy Law in Swiss and European Law
- Environmental Law
- Law of Social Insurance
- Aliens Law
- Law of Public Markets
- Telecommunications Law
- Administrative Procedure & Jurisdiction
- International Human Rights Law
- History of Legal Institutions and Ideas

International and Comparative Law

- Law of International Trade*
- Law of Switzerland-EU Relations*
- International Commercial Arbitration*
- International Economic Law*
- International Human Rights Law*
- Advanced International Law and Its Relations with Domestic Legal Systems
- Arbitration in Sports Law
- Contract Drafting
- Aeronautical Law
- American Law
- Comparative Constitutional Law
- Competition Law Switzerland-EU
- Energy Law in Swiss and European Law
- International Environmental Law
- International Humanitarian Law
- Humanitarian Criminal Law
- International Mutual Judicial Assistance in Criminal Matters
- International Commercial Litigation
- International Taxation
- International Family
- Matrimonial and Inheritance Planning
- International Wealth Planning
- European Integration
- Civil and Commercial Mediation

Litigation Law

- Economic Analysis of Law
- Civil Procedure*
- Administrative Procedure and Jurisdiction*
- Criminal Procedure*
- Advanced Administrative Law
- Arbitration in Sports Law
- International Commercial Arbitration
- Public Contract Law
- Advanced Contract Law
- Notarial Law
- Economic Criminal Law
- International Commercial Litigation
- International Mutual Judicial Assistance in Criminal Matters
- Mergers, Acquisitions and Takeover Bid Regulations
- Amicable Methods of Conflict Resolution in Criminal Matters
- General Principles of Private Law
- Data Protection

Private and Tax Law of Estates

- Real Estate Law*
- Tax Law of Estates*
- Matrimonial and Inheritance Planning*
- Territorial Development and Building Policy
- Banking Law
- Law of Private Insurance
- Advanced Contract Law
- Rural Land Law
- Notarial Law
- International Taxation
- Mergers, Acquisitions and Takeover Bid Regulations
- International Wealth Planning
- Administrative Procedure & Jurisdiction
- Vocational Pension Schemes

Labour Law and Social Security

- Social Insurance Law*
- Labour Law*
- Vocational Pension Schemes*
- Private Insurance Law
- Aliens Law
- Administrative Procedure and Jurisdiction
- Data Protection
- Federal Law on Equality

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Admission requirements

Candidates must be holders of a Bachelor of Law. The Equivalences Commission decides upon whether to accept holders of a diploma in foreign law, subject to the candidate's formal admissibility to the Master's degree.

Enrolment and final dates

It is possible to start the Master of Law degree in either the autumn or the spring semesters. Applications must be submitted to the Admissions Department (www.unil.ch/immat) before the deadline:

Autumn semester: 30 April

Spring semester: 30 November

Candidates needing a visa to study in Switzerland must apply for enrolment at least two months prior to the deadlines indicated above.

Start of courses

Autumn semester: mid-September

Spring semester: mid-February

Academic calendar: www.unil.ch/central/calendar

Part-time Master's degree

Under certain conditions, a Master programme can be followed part-time. www.unil.ch/formations/tempspartiel.

Timetables

www.unil.ch/ecolededroit

Mobility

You may complete one semester (max. 30 credits) in German-speaking Switzerland or abroad.

General information on studies and guidance

www.unil.ch/soc

Career prospects

www.unil.ch/perspectives

Accommodation and financial assistance

www.unil.ch/sasme

International

www.unil.ch/international



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