

School of Law

DUALILIM/Master Programme

National Master Degree in French and European Union Law taught in English with two specializations:

Business & Taxation Law or Law & Business Ethics

University of Cergy-Pontoise (France)



LL.M. in International Commercial Law University of Dundee (Scotland)

Access to the programme is subject to application. An application form can be downloaded on the Website of the University of Cergy-Pontoise. www.u-cergy.fr Sections: Etablissement, UFR Droit, International, Studying Law at UCP.

GENERAL PRESENTATION

Presentation of the University and the Law School

Since its creation in 1967, the department of Val-d'Oise has become a dynamic center of economic development. Its privileged geographical situation allows it to benefit from Paris and its western employment zones. Major national and international companies play a dominant role in the local economy (3M, Rover, Clarins, Dassault, Siemens...). The University of Cergy-Pontoise (UCP) was created in 1991 within this dynamic framework. Ideally located west of Paris in the department of Val d'Oise, it is within a short distance from Paris, 30 minutes from The Arc de Triomphe and The Avenue of the Champs-Elysées.

UCP is a public Institution and a leading center of teaching and research that welcomes over 1,500 international students from 54 different countries out of a total student body of 17,000. With over 1,000 academic staff, the University offers all levels of undergraduate and post-graduate studies and has been ranked among the 20 best national universities. 144 Degrees are available in all disciplines (except medical studies). The University is divided into 5 departments: Law, Economy and Management, Languages, Literature and Social Sciences, Science and Technology. Exchanges have been developed all over the world with over 135 foreign universities. The University also takes part in the European exchange program and has adopted the ECTS system (European Credit Transfer System) which allows European students to obtain credits in their university for courses taken abroad. UCP has been pointed out as a "Model University" several times by the French government.

The School of Law welcomes over 3,000 students and offers "Licence", Master and Doctorate Degrees. It is a dynamic and prestigious school ranked 3rd in France by the French Ministry of Education and 1st in Paris and suburbs by "*l'Etudiant*", the leading student magazine in France. The School has developed and multiplied international partnerships and exchanges with foreign universities in Europe, the United States and Australia. At the same time it has also developed bilingual degrees in Anglo-American, English, Spanish and German law. In 2009 the School was awarded the prestigious Tocqueville-Fulbright chair and welcomed Professor Louis Wolcher during several months. The School has also developed a field of expertise in combined degrees:

- An intensive detailed Master degree in Contracts and Business Law with the major and outstanding business school: ESSEC. This ambitious degree offers students a real specialization and a solid preparation to those who wish to take the Bar Exam or work in major companies.
- A Master degree of combined French and German Law with the University of Düsseldorf. This degree is followed alternatively in both Universities. At the end of the fourth year of their studies students are granted the Baccalaureus/Baccalaurea Legum of the University of Düsseldorf and the Bachelor's degree in Law delivered by UCP.
- A joint Master 2 Legal Advisor (DJCE) UCP/ LL.M. in Business VLS (Vermont Law School USA). Each year 4 selected students graduating from DJCE spend a year at VLS in the LL.M. programme. Each year, 4 selected students holding a JD delivered by VLS spend 2 years in the Master programme at UCP. Each student is awarded two qualifications: An LL.M. from VLS and a DJCE Master from UCP. Students can sit for the Bar exams in France and New York.

- A joint Master 2 (UCP)/LL.M. (University of Dundee) programme. The programme is unique and offers two qualifications delivered in two semesters.

In keeping with its efforts to welcome foreign students and to develop international links, the School of Law has created, in association with the School of Law of the University of Dundee (UOD), a dual LL.M./Master programme offering for the very first time to foreign students and professionals the opportunity to acquire an advanced knowledge of French, European Union Law and Common Law.

Objectives of the dual LL.M./Master programme

The dual LL.M./Master programme is an exciting new venture which brings together two dynamic and highly rated law schools. Students will be taught through English by acknowledged experts and will gain an in depth knowledge of a wide range of contemporary law subjects from both a common law and civil law perspective.

The programme is unique and offers two qualifications delivered in two semesters. It is aimed at graduates from non French jurisdictions and foreign professionals settled in France or doing business with French partners eager to acquire a strong background in common law and civil law.

Students enrolled on the dual qualifying LL.M./Master will graduate with an LL.M. in International Commercial Law from UOD and a national Master Degree in French and European Union Law taught in English with two specializations: Business and Taxation Law or Law and Business Ethics.

At UCP, the programme combines a National Master Degree and a specialization University Degree. Students are enrolled in a national Master Degree and choose one specialisation among two university degrees.

In France a national Master Degree is a two years programme awarded 120 credits (ECTS), 60 credits per year.

Applicants with a Juris Doctor, LL.B. or a European equivalent qualification will be awarded the first year of the Master programme by equivalence and will be directly admitted to the second year of the Master programme.

Other applicants, with different legal qualifications, may also be admitted in these conditions provided that they have obtained outstanding grades in previous studies in Contracts, Torts, Constitutional Law, Real Estate and Property, International Public Law, Administrative Law, Commercial Law, Company Law and Labour Law.

All other applicants, without an equivalent qualification as mentioned above, are also admitted to the programme within a LL.M./University Degree in French and European Union Law taught in English and can choose one of the two specializations. Applicants may undertake the two distinct semesters over a period of two different academic years. In addition, students who enrol and

succeed in only the first semester will receive a University Certificate.

Classes and seminars are taught by academics and by practising lawyers or other professionals. The advantage of such an association is to offer students real contacts both inside the School of Law and among the legal community. Some seminars are taught by and within international firms based in Paris

To ensure quality, the Degree is selective and designed for law students who have a high level of legal studies and a very good level of the English language.

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APPLICATION AND SELECTING PROCEDURES

Application Terms

The programme is open to graduates (French or foreigners) from non French jurisdictions and foreign professionals. Applicants are required to hold a recognized undergraduate or postgraduate degree in law according to the academic requirements to seek admission to practice as a lawyer in their home country.

All applicants must fill in and send the dual LL.M./Master application form available on the School of Law's website.

Applicants admitted to the national Master Degree programme will be sent an equivalent rating application form to be awarded the 1^{st} year of the Master programme by equivalence. This application form is compulsory to be enrolled in the 2^{nd} year of the Master programme and must be filled in and sent to the School of Law.

Unless approval by the programme's Director, the Master is not open to international or exchange students.

Applicants must enclose all the documents listed in the application form. Incomplete application files will not be examined.

Applicants whose native language is not English must provide original test scores for one of the following standardized English proficiency tests:

TOEFL: minimum score of 600 paper-based or 250 computer-based or 100 Internet-based.

IELTS: minimum score of 6.5

Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE): Grades A, B

Certificate in Advanced English: Grades A, B

Applicants may download the dual LL.M./Master application form on UCP's Website or withdraw the form at the Secretary Office of the LL.M. programme.

Application forms can be downloaded from February 1st and are required to be returned to the Secretary Office by June 20 th of the same year (unless extensions decided by the School).

Selecting Terms

The selection is competitive and based on an examination of the application form. Entry to the dual LL.M./Master is restricted to applicants with the requisite level of honours or equivalent grades, class ranks or transcripts. The level of English and the applicant's motivations are important criterions.

The application files are examined on a rolling basis. The application Committee strives to make a decision within two to six weeks after a completed application is received. Consequently, the student who presents a strong application early in the review process has a better chance of admission. Students are encouraged to submit an application as soon as possible.

Selected students will receive an admission letter by electronic message and fax or post. Upon reception of the electronic admission message, they must confirm their application and pay 800 Euros within 30 days of the admission letter. This amount will be deduced from the total amount of the tuition fees.

Unless confirmation and payment are received during this period, applicants will be considered as withdrawing from the programme and the place will be offered to other applicants.

The remainder of the tuition fees must be paid before August 31st.

Instalments will be due according to the following plan ONLY:

- 800 Euros 30 days after the date of the admission letter
- 1/3rd of the remaining amount on June 15th
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- Remainder by August 31st (compulsory for registration at UCP)

No other instalments will be accepted.

Any student not fulfilling the payment conditions is automatically excluded from the programme.

Any student withdrawing from the programme for a well-justified reason must notify the Director at least three months before the seminars start. Students who withdraw in these conditions are subject to a refund of the tuition fees.

Unless due to unexpected events or force majeure, absent students at the beginning of the academic year or during the semester, whom have not informed the Director under the above conditions, are considered as having abandoned the programme and are not subject to a refund of the tuition fees and will have to return their student cards.

Master

French and European Union Law taught in English

Specialisation: Business and Taxation Law

Semester 1 at UCP(30 ECTS)

UE: Unité d'Enseignement / Teaching Unit

ECTS : Système de Transfert de Crédits Européens/ European Credits Transfer System

COEFF: Coefficient / Weighting

VH: Volume Horaire / Volume of Hours (not including personal work and research)

EC: Elément Constitutif / Constituent Element

UE	ECTS	COEFF	VH	Subjects
UE1	6	6	40	(2 Compulsory Courses)
EC1	3	3	20	Introduction to the French and Civil Law
EC2	3	3	20	Introduction to the European Union Law
UE2	10	10	60	(2 Compulsory Seminars)
EC1	5	5	20	Torts
EC2	3	3	20	Criminal Law and Procedure
EC3	2	2	20	French language
UE3	14	14	80	(3 Compulsory Seminars within the specialization University Degree)
EC1	5	5	20	Contracts Law
EC2	3	3	10	Company Law
EC3	3	3	30	Litigation & Arbitration
EC4	3	3	20	Intellectual Property

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Specialization: Business and Taxation Law

Semester 2 UOD (30 ECTS)

Intensive compulsory class

Common Law

2 seminars to choose:

- Financial Services and Markets Regulation
- International remedies in contract
- International Business Transactions II
- International Dispute Resolution
- Environmental Justice

1 compulsory seminar + Dissertation:

- Research skills course
- Dissertation (15.000 words on a comparative commercial topic)

Master

French and European Union Law taught in English

Specialization: Law and Business Ethics

Semester 1 (30 ECTS)

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UE3	14	14	75	(3 compulsory seminars within the specialization University Degree)
EC1	5	5	20	Contracts Law
EC2	3	3	30	Litigation & Arbitration
EC3	3	3	10	Company Law
EC4	3	3	15	Corporate Governance I

Master French and European Union Law taught in English Specialization: Law and Business Ethics Semester 2 UOD (30 ECTS) **Intensive compulsory class** Common Law 2 seminars to choose: Financial Services and Markets Regulation International remedies in contract **International Business Transactions II International Dispute Resolution Environmental Justice EU Environmental Law** 1 compulsory seminar + Dissertation : Research skills course Dissertation (15.000 words on a comparative commercial topic)

STUDY DESCRIPTION

The Semester at UCP1

The 1^{st} semester starts in September. The exams will take place in December. The 2^{nd} semester starts in February. The exams will take place in May. The academic year calendar changes each year. Students are required to consult the calendar of the academic year in which they are enrolled to organise their stay in France.

The Courses and Seminars

All classes, lectures, seminars and conferences are compulsory. Unjustified non-attendance will lead to a deduction of marks from the semester's grade (0.5 point per absence).

The classes combine both a theoretic and a practical approach defined by the professors in charge. Students will have to prepare personal work and assignments for each seminar. Personal work and participation are an important component of the classes.

Conferences on specific themes led by lawyers or other invited lecturers may be organized during the seminars.

Students will obtain a grade for each class (class grade) based on personal work and participation.

Each class grade will form 50% of the final grade.

DEGREE CONDITIONS

A final exam is administered at the end of the semester for each class or seminar.

The form of the final exam is in written (unless other instruction given by the professors in charge) and based on a personal paper work. The duration of the exam is 2 or 3 hours.

The exam grade will form 50% of the final grade.

Final grade for each class is obtained by the addition of the class grade and the final exam grade.

¹ According to the academic calendar for each year

To validate one semester, students must obtain an average grade of at least 10 points over 20. To validate the year, students must obtain an average grade of 10 over 20 for each semester.

To validate one semester, 30 ECTS are necessary. To validate the year, 60 ECTS are necessary.

Except justified exemptions, students must validate the first semester before entering into the second semester.

Students who enrol in the programme may follow the two semesters over a period of two different academic years.

A Certificate will be delivered in case of validation of the first semester only.

Students without a recognized equivalent undergraduate or postgraduate qualification are admitted to a University degree in French and European Union Law taught in English.

To be awarded the dual LL.M/Master qualifications students must validate the semesters at UCP and at UOD.

FRENCH LANGUAGE

Throughout the 1st semester students follow French on top of their main studies. The French language classes may be organized at the School of Law during the first semester or by the University's language centre during the two semesters.

TUITION FEES

Reminder: Fees cover tuition only. University registration fees, books, student activity and medical care insurance (when applicable) must be paid up-front.

Fees for 2016-2017 Academic Year are:

Dual LL.M./Master programme:

European Students: 7500 Euros Non-European Students: 8000 Euros

French Language Classes:

1st Semester: 250 Euros

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

A step to step guidebook for the dual LL.M./Master programme is available on the website and sent to all students admitted to the programme.

Information on accommodation, student jobs and financing studies France is available on:

School of Law's Website http://droitucp.enbeta.fr/droit-llm

Sections: Etablissement, UFR Droit, International, Studying law at the UCP.

UCP's Website www.u-cergy.fr

Sections: English version, Degrees, Accomodation