



# International Study Guide

Study Guide for international exchange students at the Law  
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# Welcome!

You have been chosen by your home university to spend the coming semester or year at the Law Department of Freie Universität Berlin. We congratulate you and are pleased to be able to see you through this important time. Before you lies a time during which you will make many international friendships and undertake many interesting cultural experiences.

In the forefront of your stay abroad lies your study of law. **This brochure will give you a first glance at the course options offered by our department.**

We hope you enjoy planning your studies and look forward to personally meeting you soon.

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## The Law Department introduces itself

The Law Department at the Freie Universität Berlin lies in Dahlem, a district of southwest Berlin, well-known for its many predominant Villas and green spaces. To get to the Law Department, one walks for approximately three minutes from the train station „Thielplatz“ and follows the signposts which indicate the way to get to the Department.

More than 3,600 students, 19 professors and approximately 100 honorary professors, lecturers, research assistants and staff make the Law Department one of the largest in Germany. Three Presidents of the Federal Constitutional Court, three Judges in the Constitutional Court for the state of Berlin, one president of the High Court Berlin and many advisers at the Supreme Court began their academic career as lecturers at Freie Universität Berlin or serve these institutions in addition to their occupation as lecturer at the Law Department.

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/>

Due to its sheer size, the Law Department offers its students numerous courses in not only classic law areas of study such as roman law, but also modern areas

of question, for example the legal aspects of data protection - a course offering above the standard courses offered by many other universities.

<http://www.fu-berlin.de/vv/>

The Department's library and smaller specialist libraries hold a large collection of literature, jurisprudence collections, magazines and legal databases, to ensure very good research possibilities.

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/bibliothek/index.html>

## The Study Advisory and Examinations Office

The Study Advisory and Examinations Office is a service direction for students of the department. The staff assist with the implementation of academic reform, issue academic transcripts and certifications, and give not only local students, but also exchange students advice on all educational and exam related matters.

### The Study Advisory Office

The staff of the Study Advisory Office are the first point of contact for all questions and problems concerning incoming and outgoing students of the ERASMUS Programme and 'LLM' students. The Study Advisory Office organises an „Einführungskurs für Austauschstudierende“ (Orientation Course for Exchange Students) one week before the commencement of the lecture period for each semester. The staff of the Study Advisory Office give exchange students advice on registering for courses, give support for the coordination of the Learning Agreements with their home university and issue an ECTS transcript for presentation to the home university at the end of the academic year.

In addition, the Study Advisory Office looks after all transferring law students, Masters law students, and Bachelor law students who are undertaking courses provided by the Law Department.

### The Examinations Office

The interim examinations and the university examination for the major area of study is organised by the Examinations Office. In addition, the Examinations Office staff coordinate exam advice for long term students.

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<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/einrichtungen/studienbuero/index.html>

## Student Society and Activities at the Law Department

The following student society exist for looking after student needs at the Law Department:

ELSA Berlin e.V.  
Van't-Hoff-Str. 8  
14195 Berlin  
Tel.: (+49 30) 83 85 22 91  
Email: [mail@elsa-berlin.de](mailto:mail@elsa-berlin.de)  
Internet: <http://www.elsa-berlin.de/>

ELSA (The European Law Students' Association) is an amalgamation of students with a particular interest in international law and maintaining contacts abroad. ELSA members engage in a Buddy Programme, where they are looked after by international students (see below), and regular field trips to international organisations and institutions, presentations by internationally employed legal practitioners and discussion forums on global issues.

# The Buddy Programme

„Buddies“ are German students from our Department with an interest in making international connections and assisting guests from abroad with any questions and problems at the beginning of their stay in Berlin. They are able to give not only good tips on student organisations, but also on student life in Berlin. The staff of the Study Advisory Office try to mediate contact between the buddies and incoming students and organise opportunities to make contact and to get to know each other during the orientation courses for international students.

[http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/erasmus/buddy\\_programm.html](http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/erasmus/buddy_programm.html)

# Libraries at the Law Department

The department’s library can be found in the department’s main building. Apart from this there are also many smaller libraries for specialist areas of study. Overall, the Law Department holds one of the largest law collections in Germany. The collections of European law, international law, and international public law is alone one of the most important German collections of international law. The libraries are arranged in the following manner:

## Department Library

Main areas: Civil Law, Business Law, Industrial Law, Insurance Law, Social Law, Criminal Law, Criminology and related Procedural Law, Constitutional and Administrative Law, Tax Law, International Law, European Law, Private International Law, Foreign Public and Private Law

Address: Van’t-Hoff-Str. 8, 14195 Berlin

Opening hours: Mon – Fri: 8:00 – 22:00  
Sat: 9:00 – 17:00  
Sun: 12:00 – 18:00

**Please notice that you might not get full access to this library during the academic year 2009/10 due to construction works!**

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/bibliothek/index.html>

## **Department Library for German and European Business, Competition and Regulation Law**

Address: Boltzmannstr. 3 (room 2204), 14195 Berlin  
Opening hours: Mon – Fri: 9:00 – 15:00

[http://www.ub.fu-berlin.de/fbb/jura/wirts\\_recht8o8.html](http://www.ub.fu-berlin.de/fbb/jura/wirts_recht8o8.html)

## **Department Library for the History of German Law**

Address: Boltzmannstr. 1, 14195 Berlin  
Opening hours: Mon - Fri: 11:00 – 17:00

[http://www.ub.fu-berlin.de/fbb/jura/dt\\_gesch8o8.html](http://www.ub.fu-berlin.de/fbb/jura/dt_gesch8o8.html)

## **Department Library for the History of Roman Law**

Address: Boltzmannstr. 3, 14195 Berlin  
Opening hours: Mon - Fri: 10:00 – 17:00

<http://www.ub.fu-berlin.de/fbb/jura/rom8o8.html>

## **Department Library for the Sociology of Law, Philosophy of Law, Theory of Law and Research on Legal Actuality**

Address: Boltzmannstr. 3 (room 3304), 14195 Berlin  
Opening hours: Mon – Fri: 10:00 – 17:00

<http://www.ub.fu-berlin.de/fbb/jura/rechtssoz889.html>

It is not possible to borrow from the Department's library and the library for German and European Business, Competition and Regulation Law. However it is possible to photocopy in each of the libraries.

The opening hours of the libraries are reduced during the non lecture periods. The libraries are closed on official public holidays.

Independent study of lectures and preparation for seminars in our department's libraries are an important part of ERASMUS study. As a result, a tour of the department's libraries takes place during the orientation course for exchange students.

## Legal Databases

Case law and legal literature is available to the students of Freie Universität Berlin in three large databases (Juris Web, Beck Online, Lexis Nexis). A crash course on how to use these databases is offered to exchange students at the beginning of the winter semester.

[http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/bibliothek/online\\_db/index.html](http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/bibliothek/online_db/index.html)

## Computer use at the Law Department

There are two computer pools in the department's library. There is connection to the internet and the opportunity to do research in legal databases. Everything worth knowing about the use of the computers is explained to international students during the library tour as part of the orientation course.

## Cafeteria

Not far from the Law Department is the student cafeteria (Mensa), which can be found at Otto-von-Simson-Str. 26. Patrons are served at least three dishes daily, including the possibility of a vegetarian and organic meal.

[http://www.studentenwerk-berlin.de/mensen/mensen/mensa\\_fu\\_ii/](http://www.studentenwerk-berlin.de/mensen/mensen/mensa_fu_ii/)

Opening hours: Mon – Fri 08:15 – 18:30; Lunch from 11:15 – 14:30

## The Law Department's Cafeteria

The cafeteria is found in the basement of the department and it is an important meeting point for the students and teaching staff.

[http://www.studentenwerk-berlin.de/mensen/cafeterien/cafeteria\\_rechtswissenschaften\\_fu/index.html](http://www.studentenwerk-berlin.de/mensen/cafeterien/cafeteria_rechtswissenschaften_fu/index.html)

Opening hours: Mon – Thu 8:30 – 18:30, Fri 8:30 – 17:00  
Sat 10:00 – 15:00 (during lecture periods)

## Café Tatort

Café Tatort was named after a much loved German crime series. It is found directly at the Law Department, Van't-Hoff-Str.8, and is run by students. Once a month the students hold an ERASMUS Breakfast for our international guests and prepare free coffee and sandwiches for it. You can spend your lunchtime breaks in pleasant circles there and get to know German students. During the orientation week it is made known when the ERASMUS Breakfast will take place.

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## International Cooperation and Projects

### The European Union's ERASMUS Programme

The Law Department maintains many contacts with overseas universities. Within the scope of the European Union's ERASMUS Programme, there are connections to 47 partner universities in 15 member states of the EU, Norway, Turkey and Switzerland. Students of the following partner universities are looked after by the Department's Study Advisory Office:

A	Universität Wien Johannes-Kepler-Universität Linz
B	Universiteit Antwerp Université Libre de Bruxelles Université de Liège
CH	Université de Fribourg Université de Lausanne Université de Neuchâtel Universität Luzern Universität Zürich
CZ	Charles University in Prague
DK	Handelshøjskolen i København, Kopenhagen
E	Universitat de Barcelona Universidad de Granada Universidad Autónoma de Madrid Universidad Carlos III de Madrid Universidad Complutense de Madrid

	Universidad Pontificia Comillas de Madrid
F	Université Jean Moulin, Lyon Université de Strasbourg Université Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris Université Paris Sud 11 Université Pierre Mendès France, Grenoble
FI	University of Lapland, Rovaniemi University of Helsinki
GR	Ethniko kai Kapodistriako Panepistimio Athinon, Athen Dimokritio Panepistimio Thrakis, Komotini Aristoteleio Panepistimio Thessalonikis
I	Università degli Studi di Bologna Libera Università Internazionale di Studi Sociali Roma
IRL	University of Limerick
LT	Vilniaus Universitetas
LV	Latvijas Universitāte, Riga
N	Universitetet i Bergen Universitetet i Oslo
NL	Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen Universiteit van Amsterdam
P	Universidade de Lisboa, Lissabon
PL	Uniwersytet Łódzki Uniwersytet Jagielloński, Krakau Uniwersytet Warszawski, Warschau Uniwersytet Wrocławski, Breslau
S	Stockholms Universitet
SL	University of Ljubljana
TR	Ankara Üniversitesi Koc Üniversitesi, Istanbul Marmara Üniversitesi, Istanbul
UK	University of Birmingham University of Essex, Colchester University of Glasgow University of Westminster, London

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/erasmus/partneruniversitaeten.html>

## Common Syllabus Development

As part of the scope of the SOKRATES Programme, the Law Department participates in the european projects for syllabus development. Eight partner universities of the ERASMUS Programme worked together to develop introductory lecture notes for the different national legal systems, and they are available on the ERASMUS law website as follows:

<http://www.luiss.it/erasmuslaw/index.htm>

## **CTLS – Center for Transnational Legal Studies London**

For this programme, Freie Universität Berlin cooperates with Georgetown University Law Center, ESADE Law School, University of Sao Paulo, University of Fribourg, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, King`s College London, Melbourne Law School, National University of Singapore, University of Torino and University of Toronto.

Alongside a required course on the theory of international law and an accompanying workshop led by the academics and practitioners who lead their respective fields, the programme also offers a number of different elective courses in international public law, international criminal law, and comparative and transnational private law or conflict of laws. The specific elective courses offered each term change depending on the faculty who are in residence at CTLS during that term.

Students who speak English well and are interested in international law and comparative law are invited to apply for one of the ten spaces available each year. Participation is especially recommended for students who have already passed the intermediate examination (Zwischenprüfung). As a basic principle, students are encouraged to study abroad for two semesters. In some cases, the programme can be limited to one semester. Because Freie Universität Berlin is one of the founding universities of the CTLS, students of Freie Universität Berlin are not charged additional tuition or fees to participate in the programme.

For further information, please see the following websites:

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/ctls/index.html>  
<http://ctls.georgetown.edu/>

## **THEMIS-Programme – Joint Certificate in International and Business Law**

The Law Department at Freie Universität Berlin has been working in cooperation with the best business law and international law oriented faculties in the 'International Legal Network of Excellence' since 2006/07 (the Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi (Mailand), the Universidad Ramón Llull de Barcelona – ESADE Law School, the Faculté de Droit der Université de Paris XII- Val de Marne, the University of New South Wales, Sydney und the University of Melbourne). This contact gives students of the four participating universities the possibility to be awarded the university certificate of the network „Joint Certificate in International and Business Law“. The business and international law oriented studies and practice programme extends over one academic year and is divided into three main components:

### **Exchange Semester**

In the winter semester the programme participants complete a business and

international law oriented study abroad at a partner university for 24-30 ECTS credit points.

#### Seminar

All programme participants come together for a one week block seminar at one of the four network universities during each spring or summer.

#### Internship

In addition, during the lecture free period an internship of at least six weeks in an international office with a business law emphasis, in the Law Department of an internationally operating firm, or in an international authority or organisation should be completed.

The close cooperation between all of the network universities allows the development of a common curriculum, timely coordination and a continuous wider development of the programme. The THEMIS Network should be wider expanded in the future.

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/themis/programmbeschreibung.html>

### **Exchange Program with the University of Connecticut School of Law**

A long and enduring partnership exists with the University of Connecticut School of Law exists, which is distinguished through many contacts at an academic and administrative level. The Law Department is able to choose a student every semester, who can undertake courses at the University of Connecticut School of Law. In return, as desired, students from the University of Connecticut are welcome for one or two semesters at our department. Also a student from our department can be suggested for the University of Connecticut's 'LL.M.' Program during every academic year.

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/hartford/index.html>

### **Exchange Program with the Hastings College of Law at the University of California**

An exchange agreement with Hastings College of the Law at the University of California in San Francisco could be finalised in 2007. Since then it has been possible to choose one student per semester for the study in San Francisco and to suggest one graduate per academic year for the 'LLM' Program at Hastings College of the Law. The guest students from San Francisco complete an exchange

semester at Freie Universität Berlin and an internship in Germany.

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/hastings/index.html>

### **Exchange Programme with the Law Department at the Universidad Católica Andrés Bello in Caracas**

In addition, students at our department are able to obtain a place to study at the Universidad Católica Andrés Bello in Caracas, where there is one place offered per academic year. As part of this agreement, the Law Department also receives one venezuelan student per year to study law in Berlin.

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/caracas/index.html>

### **DAAD Guest Professor for anglo-american law**

The department regularly receives guest professors from the USA, who offer seminars on anglo-american law in English. The students are confronted with the specific 'Common Law' tradition teaching methods – for example the socratic method, with which the lecture material is taught through conversation between the lecturers and students.

The seminars of our american guest professors have generated huge interest in the past. Not only local students, but also guest students were impressed and learned a lot from courses such as 'Antitrust and Trade Regulation', 'Introduction to the Uniform Commercial Code', 'Contracts', and 'Equality & Non-Discrimination Law in the U.S.'.

### **International Competitions**

Student interest in the international orientation of the department can be particularly seen in the regular and successful number of student participants in international competitions. These include simulating court proceedings with the assistance of fictitious facts of the case. After a written round, in which the pleadings for both sides are finalised, there is an 'oral negotiation', in order to advocate the facts of the 'mandate' as convincingly as possible in front of a fake panel of judges. Whoever has the best arguments or can simply better sell themselves, wins.

Moot Courts always take place during the winter semester. International Moot Courts deviate from the normal academic year at German universities, some competitions begin in September and others only end in April. Due to our students large interest in these events, an application procedure is carried out for every Moot Court. Interested exchange students are recommended to contact the Moot Court Administrator for the application dates and forms before travelling to Berlin (see the internet for contact details).

Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court  
Competition language: English

Concours Européen des Droits de l'Homme René Cassin  
Competition language: French

European Law Moot Court Competition  
Competition language: English and French

Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot Court  
Competition language: English

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/veranstaltungen/mootcourts/index.html>

## Model United Nations

The Model United Nations (MUN) is an organised game, in which the participants, with the assistance of an authentic simulation, seek to further the work of the United Nations and multinational diplomacy. At the MUN the participants take on the roll of an ambassador from different areas of the United Nations, for example, in the Security Council or in the Commission for Human Rights, and negotiate current problems around the world. The language for the negotiations is German or English. The department organises participation at international conferences such as the National Model United Nations Conference (<http://www.nmun.org/>) in New York City or the Harvard World MUN (<http://www.worldmun.org/2006/aboutus/>). Students from all disciplines and also exchange students are able to apply. In cooperation with the United Nations Department for Public Information, UN Study Tours with briefings by UN Diplomats take place in New York and Geneva.

In cooperation with many partners, including the Foreign Office and the German Society for the United Nations, and the Berlin-Brandenburg Regional Association, the UN experimental game takes place many times during the year, including presentations by foreign speakers with regards to the United Nations Info Quest („UNIQUE“).

Due to large student interest in these events, an application procedure is carried out for every conference. Interested exchange students should find out about the current projects before travelling to Berlin (see the internet for contact details). Current information can be found on the following website:

<http://www.fu-berlin.de/mun/>

## Law study targeted at the first legal examination

The study of law in Germany is fundamentally different from that in many other European countries. The German legal education is based on the „Einheitsjuristen“ model, which after successful completion makes one capable of working in not only the courts, but also other legal occupations. Each student can also carry the same course through to „Volljuristen“.

The course of study includes mandatory subjects and an elective specialisation. The mandatory subjects cover the core areas of civil law, criminal law, public law and also current European procedural law, methods of law, and the philosophical, historical and social basis for law. In addition, foreign language competency in law and key skills are also important (e.g. negotiation, rhetoric, ability to communicate, presentation and mediation). The areas of specialisation complement the course of study, increase knowledge in the mandatory subjects and mediate the interdisciplinary and international benefits of law.

Above all, this university education has been devised to give students, through practical cases of dogma and methods of interpretation as work tools, the ability to come closer to solving cases. An important goal of the study of law is to make students capable of having the expertise to solve any case. Therefore the exams and assignments are tailored towards solving cases. In the exams, it is not important to regurgitate information learned off by heart, but it is more important to give case specific arguments which are targeted towards a result for the specific case. What is crucial, is not the regurgitation of a specific teacher's opinion, but the formulation of a consistent approach. The students' detailed knowledge is examined during the exams for the third semester.

During the basic three semester course of study, students attend the mandatory course modules in the three main areas of law (civil law, criminal law and public law) and attend practical courses and modules in the basic subjects: the history of law, the philosophy of law, and teaching methods. At the end of the semester, the acquired knowledge is tested with a four hour examination. In addition, an assignment on either civil law, criminal law, or public law must be completed during the lecture free period between semester 2 and 3. The basic course of study can be completed by undertaking an intermediate examination.

After passing the intermediate examination, students begin the main course of study. From the fourth until the sixth semester students undertake more lectures in the mandatory subjects, complete tutorials in the three main areas of law (civil law, criminal law and public law), and prepare for their final degree thesis on their area of specialisation.

In addition, all students must prove they have passed a law subject conducted in a foreign language or attended a law oriented language course. The department offers appropriate language courses in English, French, Turkish and Spanish.

Proof of foreign language competency in law can also be proven by completing a qualifying course abroad, for example a course offered by the ERASMUS Programme.

Law students must also prove they have successfully participated in seminars which mediate key legal skills. The department offers courses in mediation and numerous national and international Moot Courts and experimental games (e.g. the Model United Nations, EU Government Conference).

During the main course of study, students choose an area of specialisation for which they complete a university examination. The study for this area of specialisation takes two semesters and always begins from the winter semester. The university examination for the area of specialisation is divided into three parts: a final degree thesis, an examination, and an oral examination. The Law Department offers the following areas of specialisation:

#### Foundations of Law

- Middle Ages and Contemporary History of Law
- Roman History of Law
- Philosophy of Law
- Sociology of Law

#### Private Consumer Law, Distribution Law, and Private Insurance Law

- Private Consumer Law
- Distribution Law and Formation of Contract
- Private Insurance Law

#### Economic, Corporate, and Tax Law

- Competition and Regulation Law
- Corporate Law
- Tax and Accounting Law

#### Employment and Insurance Law

- Individual Employment Law, European and International Employment Law
- Collective Employment Law
- Social Insurance Law
- Private Insurance Law

#### Criminal Law and Criminology

- Criminal Procedure Law and Court Constitution Law
- Criminology, Juvenile Offenders, and Enforcement of Sentences
- Specialised areas of criminal justice

#### State decision making and state supervision

- Government and Administration
- Setting the norm
- Jurisprudence

#### The internationalisation of the legal system

- Public International Law
- European Law
- Private International Law and Comparative Law

During the lecture free period (semester break), students must do at least one 13 week internship. Students look for their internship by themselves and are allowed to decide whether they want to obtain practical experience in civil law, criminal law, or public law and whether they wish to undertake the internship with a law firm, at court or in local government in Germany or abroad.

The first legal examination is made of two sections: a university area of specialisation examination and the state mandatory course examination. The state mandatory course examination is set by the common legal examinations office of Berlin and Brandenburg. The results of both exams are combined to generate a grade in a ratio of 30 (university area of specialisation examination) to 70 (state mandatory course examination).

Once the first legal examination is successfully completed, the department awards the academic title 'diploma legal practitioner'.

The extension of the first legal examination consists of preparation for the legal workplace (legal traineeship or articles), which consists of many different training opportunities at the courts, authorities, and law firms, which are completed with a legal examination after two years. These 'assessor examinations' open doors to occupations as a lawyer, notary or judge, which are solely reserved for 'Volljuristen'.

## **Master Programme of Study for Law and transfer of credits into other programmes of study**

Law modules and lectures are not only attended by law students, but also by Master and Bachelor students.

Master students in the law programme of study concentrate on two of the three main areas of law and one elective, and combine the minor in law with another minor and a major area of study (for example Journalism and Politics).

Bachelor students enrol in another subject at Freie Universität Berlin (e.g. French studies) and graduate within this Bachelor programme of studies with particular law modules to complement their core area of study.

## **Master Programme of Study as well as minor and additional programme of study: ‘Public and Operational Environmental Management‘**

The Law Department, together with the Department of Politics and Sociology and Economics, participates in the minor and additional programme of study: ‘Public and Operational Environmental Management‘. This programme takes four semesters for science students who want to obtain an additional practical qualification. 40 students are accepted every winter semester. The programme of study concludes with an examination, including written and oral assessment, and also an internship in environmental management.

The four semester interdisciplinary Master ‘Public and Operational Environmental Management‘ is geared towards students of science and the social sciences, who have a vocational degree which could lead to employment prospects in environmental management or research. The study programme combines the mediation of scientific knowledge, including methodical and theoretical approaches, with a problem oriented approach and practical application. Environmental law, environmental politics, and environmental economics are offered in disciplinary and interdisciplinary study modules, through which the perspective of the scientists and others the following research areas connections are made:

- Environmental protection areas of focus (e.g. emission reduction, recycling and waste, wildlife conservation, soil conservation, water conservation), particularly ‘persistent problems‘ (e.g. climate protection, energy, and biological diversity);
- Evaluation of new political environmental assessments (e.g. environment information, environmental audits, environmental assessments, negotiable

- rights for environmental goods, environmental levies, biodiversity valuation, and contract arrangements);
- Eco-political taxation, e.g. analysis of the connection between eco-political regulation with environmental innovation in firms;
- Suitability, legitimacy, and effects of eco-political measures;
- Sustainable development, its operational and legal implementation, the integration between aspects of the environment in different political arenas and sectors;
- Structure and content of international and European environmental politics.

In addition, during the programme of study, it is becoming more and more important to improve key skills. Key skills include: the ability to transfer environmental science knowledge to practice, oral and visual presentation of results, also from external experts, communication skills, building and using one's own public relations contacts in firms, authorities or associations; being able to conduct targeted and efficient scientific research in many disciplines on environmentally related information and facts. Exposure to the internet should, as conventional research in literature, be used as a matter of course. During the course of study for the master programme elective seminars are arranged. This is done so students can try to focus on an individual area of specialisation related to their own careers.

Through the exchange of students and teaching staff with environmentally orientated master programmes from European and American universities, the opportunity for an international programme of study is broadened. The course concept was found to be well considered and very good by a representative for the Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C., and representatives of five American universities, who also have environmentally oriented master programmes of study.

After the successful completion of a master thesis and an oral exam, the programme of study leads towards a Master of Arts (M.A.).

<http://web.fu-berlin.de/ffu/>

## Further Masters Programme of Study: 'LL.M.'

This one year additional postgraduate course in German is offered to legal practitioners abroad. Prerequisites for this course are in addition to a law degree from overseas, good knowledge of the German language.

During the Masters the students should work together closely with a supervisor, develop acquire a basic knowledge of German law, learn about and receive an impression of the German legal environment, and be able to place the national legal system in the context of internationalisation. For the Masters thesis, one chooses one legal problem for examination. During a four week internship during the lecture free period between the first and second semester, the student can collect work experience and contacts to potential employers. The programme of

study takes one academic year. During this period, 60 ‘Leistungspunkte‘ must be obtained.

The number of applications and entrants has increased over the past semesters – a testament to the reputation of this programme within in Europe and overseas. Many previous ERASMUS students come back to Freie Universität Berlin after completing their study at home to commence the ‘LL.M.’ programme.

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/vorschriften/llm/index.html>

### **Masters programme in international and European business, competition and regulatory law (MBL-FU)**

This programme offers postgraduate students tuition in special areas of European and international business law – such as antitrust, international contract and corporate law and European telecommunication and energy law – which are becoming increasingly important. Here students can acquire specific knowledge aimed at enhancing their careers.

This masters programme is the first with this combination of courses. Its initiator and conductor is the Institute for German and European Business, Competition and Regulatory Law, supported by an advisory board of experts in competition and regulatory law. The programme integrates “in-class” and internet-supported learning. This combined method offers mentoring as well as dialogue between the students and lecturers that is not restricted to certain times and locations. Due to the diversity in the Institute, mentoring by tutors in many different languages is part of the programme, including: English, German, Polish, Russian, French and Spanish.

Please find further information here:

<http://www.mbl-fu.de/>  
<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/vorschriften/mbl-fu/index.html>

### **The European Credit Transfer System (ECTS)**

The European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) works to standardise the different european systems and rules. The core element is the so-called ECTS credits which are assigned for individual seminars or modules.

ECTS credits are a measure for the student workload and count towards the expected workload that an average capable student must pass, in order to pass a specific seminar or module. The workload is decided by the amount of time required to attend the seminars, the courses pre and post study requirements, preparation for the exam and the exam itself. ECTS credits can only be granted when student performance is successful. That means, that an examination has at

least be awarded a pass grade. Sheer attendance at a module or seminar is not sufficient to obtain ECTS credits. Credits are also quantitative, not just qualitative indicators. One credit represents a student workload between 25 and 30 hours.

The ECTS points scheme at the Law Department follows the following concept ('SWS' means hours per semester week, i.e. one hour per week during the entire semester):

Type of class	ECTS points
Lectures, Reading classes, Practicals, Colloquia, Tutorials (for specialisations)	2 per SWS
Lectures in a foreign language (not German)	2 per SWS + 2
Seminars, Project groups	8
Moot Courts, Model United Nations	10

## The German Grading System for Law Studies

The grading system at the Law Department at Freie Universität Berlin is based on an 18-points-scale with 18 points being the highest possible grade. An exam is considered passed, if 4 or more points have been attained. The points denote the following grades:

Points	Grade
18 - 16	sehr gut (very good)
15 - 13	gut (good)
12 - 10	vollbefriedigend (fully satisfactory)
9 - 7	befriedigend (satisfactory)
6 - 4	ausreichend (sufficient)
3 - 1	mangelhaft (deficient)
0	ungenügend (not sufficient)

Grades in the „sehr gut“ range (16-18 points) are almost never awarded. Grades from 13 to 15 (“gut”) already represent an outstanding result while a “vollbefriedigend” grade is above average. Most students receive “befriedigend” or “ausreichend” grades. A considerable amount of students regularly fail examinations. This has the following effect on the ECTS grade conversion table:

Points	Percentage of successful students	ECTS-grade	Description
18 - 11	10 %	A	excellent
10 - 9	25 %	B	very good
8 - 7	30 %	C	good
6 - 5	25 %	D	satisfactory
4	10 %	E	sufficient
3	-	FX	fail [some more work required]
2 - 0	-	F	fail [considerable further work required]

## Learning Agreement

The Learning Agreement states an agreement (study contract) between the students, the home university and the guest university. Before arrival, the coordinator of the guest university should provisionally confirm on the document that the student is able to attend the chosen courses. The home university expresses their confirmation that the course of study in the Learning Agreement meets the requirements of their listed programme of study and the courses can count.

A copy of the Learning Agreement for the winter semester must be sent to the ERASMUS Office at Freie Universität Berlin in June (see Appendix for the address). Students who come to us in the summer semester should send their Learning Agreement to the ERASMUS Office by December.

From there, it will be sent on to the Study Advisory Office at the Law Department. There the subject selection will be checked, the Learning Agreement will be provisionally confirmed and sent back to the Departmental Coordinator at the Home University, who gives a copy of the Agreement to the ERASMUS student.

Subject selection can still be changed after arrival in Berlin. According to our experience, ERASMUS students generally take two to three weeks time to try out many courses before they confirm their final subject selection.

The Law Department at Freie Universität Berlin allows ERASMUS students to freely choose their classes. There are no mandatory courses to attend and no minimum ECTS credits that need to be obtained. Each exchange student can decide which and how many subjects they want to complete. The rules of the respective home university are important, and students should ask the ERASMUS Coordinator at their home university before their departure to Berlin.

Advice for students, who study another subject in addition to law at their home university:

The ERASMUS Programme partnerships are only related to places for studying law. As a result, subjects under other faculties (for example Economics or Politics) cannot be attended. There can be exceptions for individual circumstances, and after the exchange students arrival these can be personally agreed upon with the students and class teachers. However we are unable to guarantee entry into non-law related classes.

## Transcript of Records

After studying at the Law Department guest students receive an transcript of records which contains the number of ECTS credits obtained and their grades. All students from abroad need to pick up their proof that they have passed each examination ('Scheine') from the secretary and submit them to the Study Advisory

Office. All 'Scheine' must be carefully kept, as without them, no transcript of records can be issued.

In the classes where there is no examination for the local students, the students from abroad are able to agree upon an oral or written form of examination with the respective teacher.

## Orientation days for exchange students

Orientation week held by the Academic Foreign Office (Auslandsamt) and ERASMUS-bureau

During the first week of October and April the Academic Foreign Office (Auslandsamt) and the ERASMUS-bureau of Freie Universität Berlin put on orientation days. They should get the exchange students familiar with the different services useful for their study and offered by the university (e.g. computer and internet usage) and introduce activities which can be undertaken during their course of study (e.g. university sports, German language courses). They also offer tourist activities, for example boat trips, trips to Potsdam, or visits to the German Parliament.

Participation in the orientation week is not mandatory, but is strongly recommended.

## Orientation days at the Law Department

The orientation days at the Law Department occur before the beginning of the lecture period (during the second week of October and April). They should explain the course structure and administration at our department to the students from abroad and make them familiar with all of the facilities at the department. Staff of the Study Advisory Office take part in a welcome presentation, for example geographical background information on the legal system in Germany and the history of Freie Universität Berlin and tips on the courses and examination options. During a visit to the nearby bookshop, suitable introductory literature and important law collections are indicated. Further introductions are made through the campus tour and a tour through the law library. Sociocultural events, for example the gathering to celebrate the beginning of the semester at the Pizzeria near the campus, are offered, and create the opportunity to get to know the university and other students.

Participation in the law orientation programme is mandatory for all law exchange students.

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/erasmus/einfuehrungskurs.html>

We recommend all students to be in Berlin by the beginning of October or April (as required).

## Types of courses

The course offering at the Law Department at Freie Universität Berlin was turned into modules during 2007/08. One module consists of at least two classes whose content is aligned, yet differ in method. Modules generally consist of a lecture and a practical, a lecture and a tutorial, a lecture and a reading class, or a lecture and a more specialised class. The classes within a module should be attended at the same time where possible. If one module is very extensive and stretches over two semesters, then students from abroad can take the individual parts of the module separately.

Other types of courses in the forms of seminars, project groups, colloquia, revision classes, and examination classes are offered.

## Courses recommended to exchange students

### Lectures within the context of modules

The most classes take place as lectures in the main lecture theatre. Lectures are classes primarily given by the lecturer giving a presentation and encouraging independent further study. If the lecture is accompanied by a practical or tutorial in the same semester, then the module (lecture + practical or lecture + tutorial) should be attended. It is not required to register for the lectures in advance. Registration for the small classes (practicals or tutorials) can be done during the first week of the lecture period (3 October or 3 April). The registration process is explained by the Study Advisory Office during orientation week (the second week in October or April).

Some lectures have an examination at the end. During orientation week the staff at the Study Advisory Office explain which examinations need to be signed up for in the Examinations Office. Registration for the examinations should be completed at the Examinations Office by 15 December for winter semester and 31 Mai for summer semester. In exceptional circumstances an oral exam can be agreed upon with the lecturer and the exchange student.

Students from abroad can complete lectures with no examination for German students with an oral or written examination.

### Practical classes within the context of modules

During practical classes the subject matter learned during the lecture is repeated and complemented through the mediation of case solving techniques and active student participation. Practical courses can take place in the form of small group classes with academic staff, they can also be offered in the form of case talks by professors in the lecture theatre.

Practical courses cannot be attended without attending the relevant lecture, and must always be completed in conjunction with the relevant lecture. There are no examinations for the practicals, as they serve the purpose of complementing the

lecture and the participants should prepare for the examination on the lecture material.

Registration for the small group classes takes place during the first week of the lecture period (the third week of October and April). Detailed tips on the registration process are given by the staff of the Study Advisory Office during orientation week (the second week of October or April).

#### Tutorials within the context of modules

Tutorials are classes for advanced students, and are offered by professors in the form of lectures in the lecture theatre. They require considerable prior knowledge of the subject matter and usually build upon a lecture. During tutorials case solving techniques are taught and trained.

To participate in tutorials previous registration is not required.

Tutorials on specialised areas of study usually take place during the summer semester and prepare the German students for the five hour examination on an area of specialisation. Students from abroad are not allowed to take part in this examination, as it is designed as a part of the final examination for German students. Exchange students are recommended to let themselves be examined on the tutorial subject matter through the relevant lecture examination, or to ask their tutorial lecturer for a special oral or written examination.

#### Reading classes within the context of modules

During reading classes an area of the subject matter learned during the lecture is repeated and consolidated using academic sources or other literature. Reading classes can take place in the form of small group classes with research staff, they can also be offered by professors.

Reading classes cannot be taken separately from the relevant lectures, they must always be completed in conjunction with the relevant lecture. There are no examinations for the reading classes, as they serve to deepen and consolidate the learning undertaken during the lecture and the participants prepare for the examination on the lecture material.

Registration for the small group classes takes place during the first week of the lecture period (the third week of October and April). Detailed tips on the registration process are given by the staff of the Study Advisory Office during orientation week (the second week of October or April).

#### Lectures in a foreign language

The Law Department offers law subjects in a foreign language, specifically in English, French and Spanish, at least at the level B<sub>1</sub> (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages). These classes take place in the form of lectures outside of the modules.

The law subjects in a foreign language deal with legal terminology, the legal system of the relevant country and the material law and consider more than just teaching terminology. The law language courses can be taken without registering beforehand and conclude with a final examination or assignment.

### Project groups

Project groups are small group classes in which a practical problem is examined drawing on other research. Participants are required to prepare a presentation in written form as a group and then present this to the class. As this class consists of small group work, registration in advance is generally required. Interested exchange students should inform themselves about the registration procedure for classes before their arrival in Berlin. Registration is often possible at the beginning of the semester, as long as there are still places available.

### Colloquia

Colloquia are small group classes in which the participants actively participate in examining their own legal problem. Therefore it is generally expected that the students have a wide prior knowledge in the relevant area of law.

Previous registration for colloquia is not required.

German students are not required to take an examination for colloquia. Exchange students, who require a grade as proof for their home university can ask the tutor if they can do an oral or written examination.

### Classes for teaching key skills (mediation, negotiation, and the ability to communicate)

Small group classes for teaching key skills are offered by the department, most of all for mediation, but also for rhetoric and negotiation. Participants at these classes learn to practice their abilities to communicate and negotiate in practical situations. Exchange students who would like to complete this class with an examination have to (after speaking with the tutor), complete an assignment or hold a presentation.

The places for this course are given to German students as a priority, as they require proof of having undertaken the key skills course in order to register for their final examination. Interested exchange students should inform themselves about the registration process for classes in order to get themselves on the waiting list. Registration is often possible at the beginning of the semester, as long as there are still places available.

## Courses less suitable for exchange students

### Tutorials for civil, criminal and public law

In the tutorials for civil, criminal and public law, students learn how to use the law in a practical manner. They concentrate solely on case resolution. Assignments are on a scale of at least 15 pages and written examinations, which must be passed, are several hours long. The tutorials are solely designed for German students who wish to complete their first legal examination (erste juristische Prüfung).

### Seminars

Seminars are small group classes in which legal questions on a specific topic and at an exam level are discussed and examined in depth. German law students

prepare themselves for their thesis related to their area of specialisation during these seminars. Every participant produces an assignment and defends this in an oral presentation in front of the seminar group.

Seminars are solely offered to German students and are only available to exchange students in exceptional circumstances.

#### Revision and Examination classes

These classes serve to prepare German students for the first legal examination and as a result are solely designed for German students.

## Course offerings

### General tips

Classes predominantly take place at Van't-Hoff-Straße 8, in the building next to Boltzmannstraße 3 and nearby the Henry Ford Building (Garystr. 35). The lecture theatres I, II and III (Hs. I, Hs. II, Hs. III) can be found on the ground floor of Van't-Hoff-Str.8. All staff rooms are also established in this building, whose numbering consists of three figure arabic numbering (e.g. Room 313). The room numbers, seminar rooms and lecture theatres at Boltzmannstr. 3 consist of four figure arabic numbering (e.g. Room 3306). The lecture theatre in the Henry Ford building is called HFB-A (i.e. lecture theatre in the Henry Ford building).

All classes take place in the German language unless otherwise stated. Classes normally begin "c.t." (cum tempore), i.e. 15 minutes after the hour. Only in given exceptional circumstances do the classes begin at "s.t." (sine tempore), i.e. punctually at the given time.

In Germany contact hours are given in 'SWS'. 'SWS' means hours per semester week, that means one 45 minute lesson hour per week during the semester.

The following overview contains descriptions of all classes regularly offered by the Law Department.

Exchange students can choose classes from the syllabus, according to the guidelines of their home university. Exceptions exist only for classes which are only available to German students due to capacity limits.

Please note that the course offerings for every semester are not so comprehensive and the current syllabus may be subject to change.

The current syllabus is available on the department's homepage (<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/>), under the link 'Studium/Lehrplan' (Studies/Syllabus). The syllabus for the winter semester will be available on the internet in August, the syllabus for the summer semester will be available on the internet at the end of February/start of March.

**All courses are taught in German if not indicated otherwise!**

**Mandatory courses for German students within the context of basic subjects  
(offered for semesters one to three):**

Module title	<b>European Legal History: Roman Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 2 hours per week Reading class / 2 hour per week
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the reading class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Content	Roman Law covers the political, economic and social areas of the law and also the basic elements of roman civil law, including the reception history's effects on the effective law and its consequences for Europe. The reading class focuses on engagement with reference texts for exegis.
Qualification objectives	The discussion of the historical forms of law should sharpen the students consciousness of consistency and changes in questions, the fundamentals of making legal systems transparent, and the embedding of our law in a european context. Immersion in exegesis promotes critical exposure to sources and offers an academic approach to the law.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 15 December. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and the teaching staff.

Module title	<b>European Legal History: German Legal and Constitutional History</b>
Module components	Lecture / 2 hours per week Reading class / 1 hour per week
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits for the lecture, 2 ECTS credits for the reading class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Content	This course gives an in depth overview of the history of law, including a short overview of the Franconian times, from 12th Century until 1990. The reading class focuses on engagement with reference texts for exegesis.
Qualification objectives	The discussion of the historical forms of law should sharpen the students consciousness of consistency and changes in questions, the fundamentals of making legal systems transparent, and the embedding of our law in a european context. Immersion in exegesis promotes critical exposure to sources and offers an academic approach to the law.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 15 December. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and the teaching staff.

Module title	<b>Sociology of Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 2 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Content	The module offers the students an introduction to the themes and methods for empirically observing the law. A short introduction to methods of social research is given, which explains examples of public opinion law research. Aside from this, biological and demographic aspects of society are put forward and discussed. The role of the law in different matters is examined: family, work/business, the government, tax, and state punishment.
Qualification objectives	Students will receive a non-dogmatic glance at different dimensions of law in society. Fundamental information on different social areas and the role of the law is covered.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 15 December. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and the teaching staff.

Module title	<b>Philosophy of Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 3 hours per week (with integrated practical class)
ECTS credits	6 ECTS credits for the lecture (with integrated practical class)
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Content	This module offers students an introduction to the key problems of law and the philosophy of the state. Philosophy of law topics include for instance norm and factum, law sources, a priori and the history of law, natural justice and statutory rights, law, morality and morals, the legal system, unity of the legal system, human rights, justice, state and society, the legal state, the formation of state, the validity and effects of the law and the formation of law. These topics will be discussed either systematically or through exemplification with reference to classic law philosophy texts.
Qualification objectives	In this module students are taught the main features of the philosophy of the law and state. At a time when students need to be widely specialised, the students learn to reflect on the overall fundamentals of legal systems. In particular, through this lecture series students are introduced to working independently with philosophical texts.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 31 May. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and the teaching staff.

Module title	<b>Methodology of Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 3 hours per week (with integrated practical class)
ECTS credits	6 ECTS credits for the lecture (with integrated practical class)
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Content	This module introduces legal methods. In particular, the module covers the systematic search for methods of basing legal decisions. The following examples play an important role: the definition of the reasons for decisions and legal court findings, the 'subsumtion', aims and methods for the interpretation of the principles of law, and key legal techniques.
Qualification objectives	Students are made capable of using legal methods of interpretation and structuring arguments. Their ability to communicate, structure complex problems and their sense of justice is sharpened.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 31 May. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and teaching staff.

**Mandatory modules for German Students in Civil Law (offered for the first to sixth semesters):**

Module title	<b>Introduction to Civil Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Content	This module offers students an introductory overview of the place and function of civil law in Germany's legal system and introduces methods for interpreting legal texts. The civil law text (BGB) system is explained. An area of focus is the general section of the BGB (§§ 1 - 240), which, in abstraction, resolves a large amount of civil legal matters. The main focus is on the law that is required as a basic level of knowledge for understanding the remaining sections of the BGB and civil law.
Qualification objectives	Students learn to understand the function of civil law as an instrument for the private autonomous function of economic life. Using the materials of the general section, which portray examples of other books from the BGB (e.g. sales law), the module teaches the students the criteria for using the law in the area of legal transactions. In addition, students are made aware of techniques for solving civil law cases (particularly the preparation of legal opinion).
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 15 December. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and teaching staff.

Module title	<b>General Law of Obligations, Provisions for Breach of Contract</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Content	This module builds on the 'Introduction to Civil Law' module. It covers the general law of obligations (§§ 241 – 853 BGB), which has a fundamental meaning for everything in the BGB and other legal obligations and requirements. It particularly concerns the concept and description of the relationship between obligations, the creation and discontinuance of requirements, the premises and legal implications of defaulting and breaking contract, cancellation and the effects of cancellation, and the right to compensation. Third party liability and third party protection for contractual obligations is also further covered, as is joint obligation.
Qualification objectives	Students acquire the necessary knowledge and abilities to use the law to develop dogma and also be able to methodically convincingly assess the general law of obligations requirements for the development and discontinuance of appropriate case law. Through the discussion of cases, students learn how many regulations within the general law of obligations can play a part for the basis for a claim.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 31 May. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and teaching staff.

Module title	<b>Specific Law of Obligations</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Content	This module builds on the modules 'Introduction to Civil Law' and 'General Law of Obligations, Provisions for Breach of Contract'. It offers the students an idea of individual types of contracts in the BGB (e.g. contract of sale, employment contract, rent, citizenship) and the legal contractual obligations (management of a company without appointment, unjustified enrichment, torts). Apart from this, module aspects cover private consumer law, particularly in view of extensive guidelines from European secondary law (consumer information protection, specific formal requirements and/or through powers of revocation for specific forms of contract considered to be particularly dangerous).
Qualification objectives	Students learn to understand the most important types of contracts within the BGB and their legal characteristics. Above all, for the areas of sales, rental, and work contract law, students learn which legal regime has the appropriate statutory law, in order to safeguard the balance of effort and reward and minimise the risk of errors in contractual agreements. With regards to legal obligations, students learn to understand the instruments that the BGB uses in order to balance the interests of the cases, particularly when contracts as a private legal arrangement of rights and obligations is lacking. In addition, students are given an overview of the material relating to consumer protection and learn through the law the provided mechanisms for protecting the private consumer.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 15 December. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and teaching staff.

Module title	<b>Property Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Content	The objective of this module is the third book of the BGB. This represents the fundamentals and institutions of property law. That is, property and the protection of property, ownership and questions of neighbouring rights, general real estate rights, the inheritance of real estate and mobile goods, the contractual relationship between property and owner and restricted property rights, like easement and security interests (mortgage, land charges, lien).
Qualification objectives	In the general section and law of obligations, students acquire a deepened and broader knowledge of civil law. Students develop their understanding of the principles for the structure of property law (principles of abstraction, the fundamentals of disclosure etc.), and its relationship to the law of obligations (limitations and restitution). In addition students acquire knowledge of the characteristics of property law, the function of the land register, and also the function of securities and the structure of liabilities. They also learn specific techniques for solving cases related to property law.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The module ends with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are agreed upon between the teaching staff and students. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module title	<b>Commercial and Corporate Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 3 hours per week (with integrated practical class)
ECTS credits	6 ECTS credits for the lecture (with integrated practical class)
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Content	This module covers the fundamentals for commercial and corporate law (also important for the compulsory subjects). In commercial law the following is covered: the concept of the seller, the firm, the disclosure of the register of business names, and some of the legal forms of contract (contract of sale, commission). Corporate law focuses on the rights of partnerships (BGB partnership, OHG, KG). It also gives an overview of the rights of corporations (AG, GmbH).
Qualification objectives	Students receive an overview of specific laws existing for businessmen and the typical issues which can be raised. In addition they learn the most important structures of commercial and corporate law. The students discover how corporations are handled in legal practice, particularly by considering relevant questions related to internal and external liabilities. The module should make the students capable of using their acquired knowledge to find solutions for real cases.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The module ends with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are agreed upon between the teaching staff and students. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module title	<b>Family Law and Succession</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week (with integrated practical class)
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture (with integrated practical class)
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Content	This module offers students an introductory overview of the development, position and function of family law and succession within the context of civil law. Family law focuses on material marriage, family and child law, and also discusses the legal structures and problems which can arise. Custody and care, the business of guardianship courts, and family procedural law are touched on. Succession focuses on the legal order of succession, particularly focusing on the last will and testament, the claim to a legal portion, and the specific succession requirements. Inheritance tax law is also touched on.
Qualification objectives	This module aims to teach the fundamental knowledge required for family law and succession, which should be supplemented during the modules 'Introduction to Civil Law', 'General Law of Obligations, Provisions for Breach of Contract', 'Specific Law of Obligations', and 'Property Law'. Through this, students prepare themselves for practical legal employment, where family law and succession plays an increasingly important role.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The module ends with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are agreed upon between the teaching staff and students. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module title	<b>Labour Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 3 hours per week (with integrated practical class)
ECTS credits	6 ECTS credits for the lecture (with integrated practical class)
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Content	This module offers the students a short representation of German labour law. The fundamentals of employment, the most important labour conditions and the resulting rights and obligations of employers and employees, the results of performance impediments, for example, employee sickness or production faults, liability issues such as the end of working relationships, in particular dismissal. Individual labour rights are an area focus, and as far as these rights are necessary for a multifaceted study, issues of company code of conduct and the law governing collective bargaining is also covered.
Qualification objectives	The students receive an overview of the not always simple, but often regulated through many different types of legislation and strongly prevalent in case law, employment law. Students should, in addition to standard knowledge, obtain a particular understanding for the socio-politic issues that are important for employment law. In addition, the students are prepared for practice in employment law, and specifically get to know the legal validity of employment law case law.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The module ends with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are agreed upon between the teaching staff and students. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module title	<b>Civil Procedural Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week (with integrated practical class)
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture (with integrated practical class)
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Content	This module offers students a first glance at how civil law legal relations have been recognised as legal procedures in Germany and effected as legal rights. The model objectives are the parties involved in legal proceedings (parties, third party interventions, and joinder of claims), the subject matter of the proceedings and the types of legal action, jurisdiction of the court, general procedural principles, procedures for the first legal recourse, conclusion of the legal proceedings (trial, comparison, settlement of the main issue, withdrawal of legal actions), final judgment, change of party, issues of evidence law, summation of the case, judicial dunning procedure, right to appeal, preconditions and types of execution, legal remedies for execution, detention, and injunction.
Qualification objectives	Students learn to understand an overview of the important laws within the civil process order and the run of civil proceedings, the civil procedural law references back to the constitutional court. In addition, students are given a glance at future legal occupations through the practice of real cases with individual problems related to civil procedural law.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The module ends with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are agreed upon between the teaching staff and students. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

**Mandatory modules for German Students in Criminal Law (offered for the first to sixth semesters):**

Module title	<b>Introduction to Criminal Law I and crimes against the person</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week (with integrated practical class)
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture (with integrated practical class)
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Content	This module offers students an introductory overview of the development, position and function of criminal law in Germany's legal system and introduces law text interpretation methods. The system of the book of criminal law is explained. The module focuses on the fundamentals of criminal law, particularly norm and factum, illegality, error and guilt, and principally homicide and body injury offences.
Qualification objectives	During the module the students learn to understand the function of the law of obligations as an instrument for particularly safeguarding the elementary values of community life (objects of legal protection). Using the materials of the general section, and examples of criminal law, the students learn to use the criteria for using the law.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 15 December. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and teaching staff.

Module title	<b>Introduction to Criminal Law and crimes of property</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Content	This module follows the module 'Introduction to Criminal Law' and concludes the general instruction of criminal law, with a focus on the perpetration of a crime and accessories to a crime, attempts, omission, negligence, and competitors. Methods of interpretation are also covered. The main focus areas of specialised areas of criminal law are property offences, specifically theft, misappropriation, and robbery. It covers the development of criminal law over time and discusses chosen cases in accordance with teaching criteria.
Qualification objectives	Students learn to understand the function of criminal law for preventing future crimes and offences. In addition, students receive an overview of the most important property crimes, their offences and the systematic connection with specific areas of the penal code. The students are also made aware of techniques for solving criminal law cases.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 31 May. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and teaching staff.

Module title	<b>Crimes of Estate and other chosen crimes</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Content	This module builds on the module 'Introduction to Criminal Law and crimes of property'. It focuses on offences involving property (i.e. fraud, computer fraud, fraudulent acquisition, embezzlement, and the misuse of cheques and credit cards), and also focuses on accession offences (i.e. receiving stolen goods, acting as an accessory, money laundering). In the long term, this module also has important practical use with regards to the documentation of crimes.
Qualification objectives	In this module the students learn to understand property crimes related to criminal law, including other offences within the special sections, and the related problems of interpretation and use. This is covered so they are able to issue a methodically and correctly formed opinion on the criminal liability of an action. The students learn to use this capability in practical circumstances.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 15 December. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and teaching staff.

Module title	<b>Criminal Procedural Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 2 hours per week (with integrated practical class)
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits for the lecture (with integrated practical class)
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Content	The module criminal procedural law includes the fundamentals of legal proceedings and the German criminal procedure code. The main areas of focus are the procedure principles and legal maxims, the general course of legal proceedings, the legal position and purpose of the important involved parties of legal proceedings, particularly those of the prosecution and defence, the means of coercion for the case and fundamental rights, the law of evidence, and issues of legal force. In considering this, current jurisprudence, legal practice and influences on Europeanisation are considered.
Qualification objectives	In this module the students develop an understanding of legal and liberal criminal procedural law and obtain a first impression of the function of parties involved in the proceedings. The students also obtain a sensibility for the legal traineeship and later occupations for the constitutional forms of effective criminal justice, which often conflict with the individual interests of the accused.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The module ends with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are agreed upon between the teaching staff and students. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

**Mandatory modules for German Students in Public Law (offered for the first to sixth semesters):**

Module title	<b>Introduction to Public Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Content	This module commences with an overview of the fundamentals of public law and above all covers the concepts of 'State' and the 'legal system'. The main area of focus builds on the consideration of constitutional law in Germany, which is examined in three main aspects: firstly, the principles of state structure (democracy, the constitutional state, federal state, republic and social state) and state aims (environmental protection and conservation) are taught. Then the module covers state institutions (the German Upper and Lower Houses of Parliament, President, Federal Government, and Federal Constitutional Court). The state function of these institutions is examined, as is legislation, administration, the dispensation of justice and court administration.
Qualification objectives	The students learn and internalise the principles of state, the function and competence of state organs and the state functions as fundamentals for the wider understanding of public law.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 15 December. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and teaching staff.

Module title	<b>Fundamental Rights and Human Rights</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Content	This module builds on the module 'Introduction to Public Law'. It offers the students an introductory overview of the development, meaning and function of fundamental rights and human rights in Germany. With regards to fundamental rights, students are introduced to the German dogma of fundamental rights, and discuss the extent of protection of individual basic rights and state intervention measures, including groundbreaking decisions of the Federal Constitutional Court. At a later stage, European human rights are covered, including their anchorage in the EMRK and their relationship to the fundamental and human rights aspects of basic law. In addition, the module covers constitutional procedural law, as far as it is important to the implementation of basic rights and human rights. Constitutional complaints to the Federal Constitutional Court is also a central topic.
Qualification objectives	In this module the students learn to understand the functions of the basic rights and human rights as the subjective individual rights against the state, in comparison to objective state decisions of worth. In addition, the students learn relevant procedural rights through the implementation of basic rights (in particular individual constitutional complaints) and are given the opportunity to judge the proceedings of practical cases. Therefore the techniques of case solving and ways of expressing an opinion are learned.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 31 May. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and teaching staff.

Module title	<b>General Administrative Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week (with integrated practical class)
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture (with integrated practical class)
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Content	This module builds on the modules 'Introduction to Public Law' and 'fundamental Rights and Human Rights'. It concentrates on the administration institutions, workforce and financing, its codes of conduct (particularly legal regulation, statutes, regulatory provisions, administrative acts, contracts, physical acts), and also its creation, effect, implementation, and control. This module covers the fundamental knowledge of administrative law taught in the modules 'Introduction to Public Law' and 'Fundamental Rights and Human Rights'. In addition, the fundamentals of public liability law are touched on, that is, not just those statutory regulations concerning the premises for the responsibility of the state for damages through legal measures or illegal conduct, but also those with legal consequences (the restoration of previous circumstances, substitute or compensation payments).
Qualification objectives	This module gives the students a basic knowledge of general administrative law. The students develop an understanding for the fundamentals of the law, that is indispensable for the resolution of administrative law cases in legal practice. The students also receive an overview of the proceedings before the administrative courts. In particular, students understand the limitations between administrative jurisdiction and regular jurisdiction and become aware of the requirements and legal problems of the most important administrative court types of proceedings, so they can judge them in practical circumstances. In addition the students receive an overview of public liability law. They learn to differentiate between different cases of public liability law and learn the respective characteristics for the basis of a claim.
Exam	This module ends with a written exam. In exceptional circumstances and after agreement with the lecturer, exchange students are permitted to sit an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration for the exam occurs at the Examinations Office until 15 December. The registration deadlines will be made known through announcements and available on the department's website. The dates for oral exams should be arranged between the exchange students and teaching staff.

Module title	<b>Specific Administrative Law matters</b>
Module components	Lecture / 4 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Content	This module specifically builds on the module 'General Administrative Law'. It offers students an overview of specific administrative law, with reference to the characteristics of Berlin state law. The main areas of focus include the areas of building law, police and administrative law and municipal law, and the relevant administrative procedure law for the matters in question. As a result, the administrative procedure law system is covered. Areas of focus also include the administrative court law process, forms of procedure (including provisional legal protection and procedure principles, questions of jurisdiction, and building up the jurisdiction of the administrative court).
Qualification objectives	This module exposes students to the fundamentals of specific administrative law matters. In the area of specific law matters, the students are prepared for the legal occupation in the most important areas of building law (building planning law and building regulation law), police and administrative law and municipal law. In addition the students are made aware of the requirements and legal problems of the more important administrative court types of proceedings, so that they can judge real cases in the area of specific administrative law.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The module ends with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are agreed upon between the teaching staff and students. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module title	<b>European Law</b>
Module components	Lecture / 2 hours per week Practical class / 2 hour per week
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Content	Due to the institutional rights of the EU/European Community, this module most importantly covers material European Community law, specifically fundamental freedoms. High importance is placed on references to national law, particularly enforcement of European Community law through German authorities and the cooperation between the member states and european communities for the safeguarding of European Community law through the courts.
Qualification objectives	This module makes students aware of the fundamentals of European Law. Students learn the function of the European Community, as well as the division of competency and tasks between the member states and community, and also learn the most important concepts and dogma of basic freedoms and other material representations of european law. In particular, they learn to understand how German law and european law play together. In addition, the students learn, with the assistance of important decisions, to solve european cases and public law cases based on european law.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The module ends with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are agreed upon between the teaching staff and students. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

## Specialisation 1: Foundations of the Law

Module component title	<b>Lecture: The History of Law in the Middle Ages and Modern Times</b>
Module	The History of Law in the Middle Ages and Modern Times
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	4 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Content	This lecture offers an insight into the important developments of ideas and institutions of the 'German' life of the law from Germanic law to present day. Areas of particular interest include the high and late middle ages, the early modern period, the history of criminal law, the history of civil law and constitutional law during the 19th Century, German Law in the second half of the 19th Century, the periods of the Weimar Republic and National Socialism and chosen issues with regards to the history of law in modern times.
Qualification objectives	This lecture broadens and deepens insight into historical relativity and developmental layers of the laws, whose fundamentals are covered in the module 'The History of European Law'. It covers a contemplative understanding of the past legal circumstances and the understanding of the different legal systems and their history.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are agreed upon between the teaching staff and students. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Tutorial: The History of Law in the Middle Ages and Modern Times</b>
Module	The History of Law in the Middle Ages and Modern Times
Frequency	This tutorial is offered during the <b>Summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This tutorial builds on the lecture 'The History of Law in the Middle Ages and Modern Times'. It offers a deeper insight into important developments of ideas and institutions of the 'German' life of law from Germanic law to present day. Areas of particular interest include the high and late middle ages, the early modern period, the history of criminal law, the history of civil law and constitutional law during the 19th Century, German Law in the second half of the 19th Century, the periods of the Weimar Republic and National Socialism and chosen issues with regards to the history of law in modern times.
Qualification objectives	This tutorial broadens and deepens the insight into historical relativity and the developmental layers of the laws, whose fundamentals are covered in the module 'The History of European Law'. It covers a contemplative understanding of the past legal circumstances and the understanding of the different legal systems and their history. In the tutorial the sources for (germanic) text exegesis are interpreted in order to learn these special, yet contentious, legal-historical hermeunetic proceedings.
Exam	The module 'The History of Law in the Middle Ages and Modern Times' ends with a written exam for German students, covering the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the tutorial in the summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Lecture: Philosophy of Law</b>
Module	Philosophy of Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture historically and systematically covers important topics of european law and philosophy of the state: the concept of law, law and morals, law and religion, statutory rights and natural justice, theories of justice and current discussion with regards to issues of justice, philosophical reasons for the state ruled by law, democracy, the social state and human rights, the right of the state to punish.
Qualification objectives	The philosophical basis for historical and valid legal systems is culturally made clear. Students work out which problems in the history of legal and state philosophy are still prevalent today and one to try to find an answer for. The course also covers the treatment of current questions of justice.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the teaching staff and the students. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Tutorial: Philosophy of Law</b>
Module	Philosophy of Law
Frequency	This tutorial is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This tutorial builds on the lecture 'Philosophy of Law'. Individual topics are studied in more depth with the aid of classic texts.
Qualification objectives	The philosophical basis for historical and valid legal systems is culturally made clear. Students work out which problems in the history of legal and state philosophy are still prevalent today and one to try to find an answer for. The course also covers the treatment of current questions of justice.
Exam	The module 'Philosophy of Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the tutorial in the summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Lecture: Sociology of Law</b>
Module	Sociology of Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	The lecture covers the different between a legal and sociological observation of the law. An introduction to the classics of the sociology of law is provided. At the end, an overview of new empirical works on the sociology of law is provided (e.g. research on effectiveness, research on justice, and alternatives to the law).
Qualification objectives	The sociological reasons for the current legal system are made clear. This occurs in examination of the 'classics'. The students also receive an introduction to the methods of empirical social research, which should make them capable of being able to judge their own present or future empirical research into the sociology of law in a critical manner.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Tutorial: Sociology of Law</b>
Module	Sociology of Law
Frequency	This tutorial is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	Individual topics are studied in more depth with the aid of classic texts and individual empirical investigation.
Qualification objectives	The sociological reasons for the current legal system are made clear. This occurs in examination of the 'classics'. The students also receive an introduction to the methods of empirical social research, which should make them capable of being able to judge their own present or future empirical research into the sociology of law in a critical manner.
Exam	The module 'Sociology of Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the tutorial in the summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

## Specialisation 2: Private Consumer Law, Distribution Law and Private Insurance Law

Module component title	<b>General Terms and Conditions Law</b>
Module	Private Consumer Law
Frequency	This module component is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture assumes extensive prior knowledge of German civil law and offers an insight into the general terms and conditions law (AGB). The AGB serves the purpose of rationalising business dealings, while mitigating the considerable risk of misusing the law to the disadvantage of those opposing a clause. For this reason, the legislator has established rules for checking clauses and these rules should make sure that the structure of the mutual rights and obligations are not pushed to those opposing a clause disadvantage.
Qualification objectives	The students learn to master the legal areas of use of the AGB.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Private Consumer Law</b>
Module	Private Consumer Law
Frequency	This course is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture assumes extensive prior knowledge of German civil law and offers an insight into the treatment of constellation, in which economically strong but different players of private trade enter into contractual relationships with another, resulting in the question of eventual limits to private autonomy for the protection of the underdog. The purpose of this lecture is to cover the protection of the consumer in the face of insufficiently stipulated contractual obligation.
Qualification objectives	The students learn to understand the mechanisms with which inexperienced economic subjects can be protected from the superiority of their adversaries. They deepen their knowledge of requirements for consumer protection withdrawal rights and the legal consequence of their practice, and also the position of the consumer in financing transactions (hire purchase transactions, leasing).
Exam	The module 'Private Consumer Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the lecture 'Private Consumer Law', exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Tutorial: Private Consumer Law and Terms and Conditions Law</b>
Module	Private Consumer Law
Frequency	This course is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	Tutorial / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This tutorial builds on the lecture 'General Terms and Conditions Law' and accompanies the lecture 'Consumer Law'. An extensive knowledge of German civil law is expected. In this tutorial, the technique of case resolution will be taught and trained.
Qualification objectives	The students learn to understand the mechanisms with which inexperienced economic subjects can be protected from the superiority of their adversaries. They deepen their knowledge of civil and commercial law precautionary measures for safeguarding the economic trade capabilities of vertical marketing chains.
Exam	The module 'Private Consumer Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the Winter and Summer semesters. After the tutorial, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff.

Module component title	<b>Distribution Law and Formation of Contract</b>
Module	Distribution Law and Formation of Contract
Frequency	This course is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture assumes prior knowledge of civil law. It offers an insight into the contractual relationships between players of different trade levels. Contracts of authorised dealers and franchise contracts are covered. Issues of financing the sale of goods is covered, specifically leasing and factoring contracts.
Qualification objectives	Using marketing agreements, the students get to know the specific risk structure of contracts that are not legally binding, but are developed by players in goods and services for the optimal realisation of economic interests.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Project Group and Formation of Contract</b>
Module	Distribution Law
Frequency	This course takes place during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Project Group / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This project group assumes extensive prior knowledge of German civil law. It offers instruction to forward looking solutions of legal problems through contractual arrangements, whether they are in the terms and conditions or individual agreements. The students are made aware of how to cast interest in mandates in legally concise and admissable wording.
Qualification objectives	The students acquire sufficient knowledge to work on legal mandates concerning contract negotiation for the potential future dissolution of contract clauses.
Exam	The module 'Distribution Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the project group, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Lecture: Private Insurance Law</b>
Module	Private Insurance Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	4 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Content	Economic protection against potential risk plays an important role in modern day life. Private insurances offers car drivers, as it previously protected firm leaders, the ability to protect their assets burdened with a liability (third party insurance), it allows home owners to rebuild their destroyed estates (property insurance), and it eases the loans new business founders need to take out (life insurance). This module private insurance law particularly covers the fundamentals of insurance contract law, how it is written, made concrete through the dispensation of justice, and further developed. Particularly related to private insurance law are the specific circumstances to be observed in making contracts, the role and responsibility of agents and brokers, the legal and contractual duties of those taking out insurance and also the occurrence of insurance cases and their implications for the law. In addition, General Insurance Law is of particular importance. As private insurance is a product of the law, terms and conditions are fundamentally important, and vice versa, through the dispensation of justice, insurance conditions play an important role in the further development of terms and conditions law. During the 'general part' of insurance law, individual examples of particularly important types of insurance are covered (particularly third party insurance and life insurance). During the course, questions relating to insurance control law and international insurance contract law will be considered. In considering these areas, current topics related to the Europeanisation of private insurance law are covered.
Qualification objectives	The course is focused making the students capable of judging private insurance law related facts of the case. The lecture focuses on teaching the basic knowledge required.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Tutorial: Private Insurance Law</b>
Module	Private Insurance Law
Frequency	This tutorial is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This tutorial builds on the basic knowledge from the lecture 'Private Insurance Law' and teaches practical implementation through the use of concrete recreated, but mostly court decided, cases.
Qualification objectives	The course is focused making the students capable of judging private insurance law related facts of the case. The lecture focuses on teaching the basic knowledge required. In particular, students should be made capable of working with academic methods on private insurance law questions and being able to correctly solve practical cases with the use of relevant resources.
Exam	The module 'Private Insurance Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the tutorial, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

### Specialisation 3: Economic, Business, and Tax Law

Module component title	<b>Lecture: European and German Competition and Regulation Law</b>
Module	European and German Competition and Regulation Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	4 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Content	<p>Modern European economic law aims to protect consumer welfare through the creation of legal regulations, with the aim to promote economic agents interested in maximising their own benefits to behave in a manner which results in optimal consumer supply. The security of workable competition has historically emerged as the only efficient principle for organising the modern working economy. In the centre of economic law is competition law (Art. 81ff. EC, Act Against Restraints on Competition), and as far as competition in individual economic sectors and areas of infrastructure is destroyed by natural monopolies, regulation law (energy, telecommunications and rail law). In 2004 European Competition Law changed fundamentally. Once a system of exclusive licences, it now became a normative system of legal exceptions. European cartel law was, through the application of VO (EG) Nr. 1/2003, more widely used. European merger regulation was amended. The criteria for leading the market was further defined, through the SIEC-criteria (significant impediments to effective competition). All European Community announcements are new. On a German level, a new Act Against Restraints on Competition (GWB), came into power, and this was aligned to European law. Due to the new European Community guidelines, the sector specific regulation laws have been rewritten.</p>
Qualification objectives	The course aims to introduce students to and make them able to use the legal instruments for competition law.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Lecture: UWG (Law Against Unfair Competition) and Trademark Law</b>
Module	Intellectual Property Law / Law Against Unfair Competition / Copyright Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	Intellectual Property Law protects outstanding intellectual property from being misused. Patent and trademark law are also, like work in progress rights, legal protection laws. The lecture content introduces the fundamentals of the law and covers the areas bridging competition law.
Qualification objectives	The course aims to introduce students to and make them able to use the legal instruments of ownership.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Copyright Law</b>
Module	Intellectual Property Law / Law Against Unfair Competition and Copyright Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>Summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	Intellectual Property Law protects outstanding intellectual property from being misused. Copyright law, as a classic artist's right, protects works of literature and art, and the related creative output of practicing artists, producers and broadcasters, as well as computer programmes, and regulates the relationship between the author and his creators. The lecture content introduces the fundamentals of copyright law and covers the areas bridging competition law.
Qualification objectives	The course aims to introduce students to and make them able to use the legal instruments for ownership.
Exam	The module 'Intellectual Property Law, Law Against Unfair Competition and Copyright Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the Copyright Law lectures, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Patent Law and IT Law</b>
Module	Intellectual Property Law / Law Against Unfair Competition and Copyright Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	Intellectual Property Law protects outstanding intellectual property from being misused. This lecture introduces the fundamentals of patent law and IT law and covers the areas bridging competition law.
Qualification objectives	The course aims to introduce students to and make them able to use the legal instruments for ownership.
Exam	The module 'Intellectual Property Law, Law Against Unfair Competition and Copyright Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the Copyright Law lectures, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Tutorial: Intellectual Property Law</b>
Module	Intellectual Property Law / Law Against Unfair Competition and Copyright Law
Frequency	This tutorial is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	Intellectual Property Law protects outstanding intellectual property from being misused. This tutorial extends on the material covered in the three lectures 'UWG (Law Against Unfair Competition) and Trademark Law', 'Copyright Law', 'Patent Law and IT Law', and covers the areas bridging competition law.
Qualification objectives	The course aims to introduce students to and make them able to use the legal instruments for ownership.
Exam	The module 'Intellectual Property Law, Law Against Unfair Competition and Copyright Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the tutorials during the summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Lecture: Corporate Law</b>
Module	Corporate Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	4 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Content	Through partnership agreements, corporate partners are required to follow a common goal. So it is stated in § 705 BGB for corporate partnerships organised under the civil code, and so it is also applied for all other forms of civil partnerships: it concerns building capacity, mostly for entrepreneurial or corporate purposes. This lecture covers the rules under which corporations operate, from the creation of internal and external relationships, until their end. The course focuses on the economic life of particularly important types of corporations, the private corporate rights of civil partnerships, partnerships, and limited liability companies and the rights of a limited liability company over public limited companies and limited partnerships. The formative differences are worked out, namely the different implications of creditor protection through personal partner liability, capital attainment and maintenance rules. A large amount of overarching rules are covered, including those leading to duties under corporate law, voting bans and defective incorporation.
Qualification objectives	The course aims to make students be able to judge the facts of cases with corporate law content. The four hour lecture focuses on teaching the basic knowledge required. As a result, extensive lecture material is also given out.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Tutorial: Corporate Law</b>
Module	Corporate Law
Frequency	This tutorial is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This tutorial builds on the basic knowledge from the lecture 'Corporate Law' and allows for practical application through concrete recreated and partly court decided cases.
Qualification objectives	The course aims to make students be able to judge the facts of cases with corporate law content.
Exam	The module 'Corporate Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the lectures and tutorials semesters. After the tutorials during the summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Corporate Grounds and the Right to Change Legal Standards, Law of the European Public Limited Company (SE), The Co-determination Act</b>
Contact hours	Lecture / 4 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
Frequency	This module is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Content	This module continues on from the corporate law lectures by covering the restructuring of companies and groups through consolidation and reorganisation and illustrates how the SE provides new opportunities for international corporate activity. Large corporations in the legal form of a public limited company, a european public limited company, or a limited company are subject to board governance according to the Co-determination Act, specifically the One-Third Participation Act. Corporate Lawyers working in companies with more than 500 employees, give the Board of Directors and Board advice on questions related to the co-determination of companies.
Qualification objectives	This module teaches the additional material to that provided in the module 'Corporate Law', and required in practice.
Exam	The module ends with a written exam for German students. Exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Introduction to Tax Law and Income Tax Law</b>
Module	Tax Law
Frequency	Lecture / 2 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
Contact hours	This module is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Content	This lecture offers students an introductory overview of the system of tax law, particularly income tax law and tax procedural law. European and constitutional determinants are covered. Areas of focus include tax liability, taxable items and income tax assessment. Stress is placed on the eligibility and evaluation of surplus receipts.
Qualification objectives	The students learn to understand the function of tax law as a right of the state for attaining income under special observation of the ability to pay principle. Using the European and constitutional court guidelines and the accompanying tax law principles, students learn the criteria for the judgment of income tax law. In addition, students are made aware of specific techniques for solving income tax law cases.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Tax Administration Law</b>
Module	Tax Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture builds on the lecture 'Introduction to Tax Law and Income Tax Law'. Basic concepts are covered, including tax law contracts and the continuation of taxation law, particularly the tax administration act, the assessment and preliminary proceedings, and also tax protection laws.
Qualification objectives	The students learn to understand the function of tax law as a right of the state for attaining income under special observation of the ability to pay principle. In addition, students are made aware of specific techniques for solving income tax law cases.
Exam	The module 'Tax Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the Tax Administration Law lectures, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Accounting Law</b>
Module	Accounting and Corporate Tax Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture offers students an introductory overview of accounting law. Apart from commercial accounting, individual accounting accounting is presented and the characteristics of profit determination in tax law are presented.
Qualification objectives	Students learn to understand the function of accounting law as information and control law of the shareholder and creditor in balance sheet law and as a means of obtaining income in income and corporate income tax law.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Corporate Tax Law</b>
Module	Accounting and Corporate Tax Law
Frequency	The lecture and associated practical class are offered during the <b>summer - semester</b> .
Contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits for the lecture, 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Content	The module component builds on the lecture 'Accounting Law'. It offers students an introductory overview of corporate tax law. At first, the taxation of sole traders and partners under income tax law and capital raised companies under corporate tax law is covered. Above all, the course focuses on the assignment of income tax law types of income and income determination. Next, the fundamentals of trade tax law are covered, particularly the means of assessing trade tax and the assessment factors. Finally, the four types of corporate reorganisation (merger, division, asset transfer and restructuring) and their tax treatment are covered.
Qualification objectives	At the forefront is the system of taxation of sole traders, partnerships and capital raised companies. Above all, students are made aware of specific techniques for solving accounting and corporate tax law cases.
Exam	The module 'Accounting and Corporate Tax Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the lectures during the Summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Course title	<b>Introduction to Commercial Accounting</b>
Type of class	Practical class
Frequency	This practical class is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Content	Book-keeping and accounting are basic aspects of many branches of economic law. Accounting issues play a role in corporate law, tax law, capital markets law and labour law etc. The growing importance of commercial accounting has resulted in it also being increasingly used in public budgets (cf. § 33a Law on Budgetary Procedures), where finance principles are pushed to the side.

## Specialisation 4: Employment and Insurance Law

Module component title	<b>Individual Employment Law</b>
Module	Individual Employment Law, European and International Employment Law
Frequency	This lecture takes place during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 4 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Content	The following areas of individual employment law are covered: the legal sources of employment law, the employment benefits of antidiscrimination law (AGG); issues of rights in connection with the creation of employment agreements, the termination and design of employment contracts under specific consideration of general terms and conditions law, the challenging and revocation of employment contracts, the limitation of employment agreements, temporary employment, part-time work law, remuneration, bonuses, work entitlements (particularly continued remuneration such as sick leave, and holiday pay), employment responsibilities, ending employment agreements through termination (termination of employment limitations, general termination protection, the use of termination protection law, social justifications for a termination according to termination protection law, termination protection for exceptional circumstances, out of the ordinary termination, redundancy payments), the main features of the legal consequences of insolvency and the main features of employment law trials.
Qualification objectives	The students receive an overview of the not always simple, but often regulated through many different types of legislation and strongly prevalent in case law, employment law. Important is the building of an understanding of the legal sphere within which employment in Europe and Germany occurs. Students should recognise the social dimensions of employment law, and that employment law decidedly shapes the economic and local circumstances in the EU and Germany. Using the assistance of academic methods, students are made capable of working on related legal questions and appropriately solving practical legal cases with the use of relevant resources.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>European and International Employment Law</b>
Module	Individual Employment Law, European and International Employment Law
Frequency	This lecture takes place during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	The lecture focuses on the numerous influences of european employment law on the national legal system. As in the lecture 'Individual Employment Law', the lecture covers: the fundamentals of european employment law, the transfer of european employment law into domestic law, the fundamental legal provisions of european employment law (particularly the free movement of labour, freedom to provide services, anti-discrimination rules, firm transfer rules, mass dismissal rules and migrant worker regulation). The concrete effects of the important employment law decisions of the European Court of Justice on national law is weighed up. The lecture series finishes with an introduction to the basic main features of transnational employment law and also the private international law governing working relationships.
Qualification objectives	Using the assistance of academic methods, students are made capable of working on related legal questions and appropriately solving practical legal cases with the use of relevant resources.
Exam	The module 'Individual Employment Law, European and International Employment Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the lectures during the summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Tutorial: Individual Employment Law, European and International Employment Law</b>
Module	Individual Employment Law, European and International Employment Law
Frequency	This tutorial takes place during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Tutorial / 1 hour per week
ECTS credits	2
Content	This tutorial completes the lectures 'Individual Employment Law' and 'European and International Employment Law'. The practical application of the most important core areas of individual employment law is practiced in the form of case solving. The tutorial aims to make the students capable of conveying employment law cases using legal methods and using appropriate means to convey an appropriate solution. During the tutorials contrived cases are discussed, as are the facts of the cases that lay before the European Court of Justice for judgment.
Qualification objectives	Using the assistance of academic methods, students are made capable of working on related legal questions and appropriately solving practical legal cases with the use of relevant resources.
Exam	The module 'Individual Employment Law, European and International Employment Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the tutorials during the summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Tutorial: Collective Employment Law</b>
Module	Collective Employment Law
Frequency	This tutorial is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Tutorial / 1 hour per week
ECTS credits	2
Content	This tutorial completes the lecture 'Commercial Constitution Law'. The practical application of the most important core areas of employment law is practiced in the form of case solving. The tutorial aims to make the students capable of conveying employment law cases using legal methods and using appropriate means to convey an appropriate solution. During the tutorials contrived cases are discussed, as are the facts of the cases that lay before the European Court of Justice for judgment.
Qualification objectives	Using the assistance of academic methods, students are made capable of working on related legal questions and appropriately solving practical legal cases with the use of relevant resources.
Exam	The module 'Collective Employment Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the tutorials, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Lecture: Social Insurance Law I</b>
Module	Social Insurance Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture offers students an impression of German social insurance law. Apart from the issues for all branches of social insurance law, the following areas are covered: health insurance, accident insurance, pension schemes, and rights to promotion ('unemployment insurance'), the cycle of each insured person, with different insurance claims, their potential insurance benefits and the insurers. Relevant procedural issues are also discussed.
Qualification objectives	This lecture gives the students an overview of German social insurance law.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Lecture: Social Insurance Law II</b>
Module	Social Insurance Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture offers students an impression of German social insurance law. Apart from the issues for all branches of social insurance law, the following areas are covered: health insurance, accident insurance, pension schemes, and rights to promotion ('unemployment insurance'), the cycle of each insured person, with different insurance claims, their potential insurance benefits and the insurers. Relevant procedural issues are also discussed.
Qualification objectives	This lecture gives the students an overview of German social insurance law.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Tutorial: Social Insurance Law</b>
Module	Social Insurance Law
Frequency	This tutorial is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This tutorial builds on the basic knowledge from the 'Social Insurance Law' lectures.
Qualification objectives	This tutorial serves to deepen knowledge of social insurance law problems by using cases which tie into current socio-legal decisions, and the methodology for solving social insurance legal case facts.
Exam	The module 'Social Insurance Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the tutorials, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

## Specialisation 5: Criminal Law and Criminology

Module component title	<b>Lecture: Criminal Procedure Law and Constitution of the Courts Law</b>
Module	Criminal Procedure Law and Constitution of the Courts Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	2hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture serves the purpose of deepening student knowledge in the important fields of the national constitution of the (penal) courts law and criminal procedure law. After a short legally historical glance, the lecture series mainly focuses on the course of events within criminal proceedings (preliminary proceedings and the compulsory measures, main procedures for questions of law of evidence, judgment and legal force), with an in depth look at the legal position of individual parties to the proceedings and their procedural options.
Qualification objectives	The class caters to young legal practitioners who would like to specialise as an attorney, advocate, or criminal court judge. This target group should be able to profit from a deeper understanding and an earlier clarification of the different ways of interacting during academic class. This lecture can also be used by those not specialised in criminal law, e.g. future journalists, coroners or social scientists.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Lecture: Criminology</b>
Module	Criminology
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	4 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Content	In relation to the Criminology syllabus, this lecture covers the concept and role of criminology, and theories explaining crime as a phenomenon, for example crime as a single phenomenon (crimonology theories), but also the focus on intertwined criminal judgments from the events described. Finally the lectures cover criminal law and criminal procedure law legislation, including the relationships between elements of crimes to other control mechanisms, and the sequence of criminal proceedings (until the final judgment). This lecture also covers questions of crime and other individual aspects (e.g. victim-perpetrator relationship, and types of victimisation).
Qualification objectives	The examination of empirical criminological questions should concern the future young criminal law legal practitioners with the empirical sides of 'normative' criminal law and makes the possible benefits of criminological insights sensitive.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Lecture and Practical class: Minor Offences Law</b>
Module	Criminal Transport Law and Minor Offences Law
Frequency	The lecture and the practical class are offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Contact hours	Lecture / 1 hours per week Practical class / 1 hours per week
ECTS credits	2 ECTS credits for the lecture, 2 ECTS credits for the practical class
Content	This class 'Minor Offences Law' covers the Minor Offences Law, and (in comparison with the Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure Law) the legal material, procedure and sanction characteristics. The class serves not only the purpose of teaching this knowledge, but also a comprehensive formulation of the practically important legal material, which plays a role in other areas of law (e.g. the norms of general and specific administrative law). As a result, the class is mainly concerned with the questions of what has occurred, how concrete proceedings may change due to administrative procedures in summary proceedings or those in criminal law proceedings, or vice versa.
Qualification objectives	This class serves to teach the material of this specialised area of criminal law, including material, procedural, and sanction legal aspects as well as related consideration of criminological matters. Minor Offences Law is of importance late in the practice of law. Above all, this class benefits the students who would like to work in this area in the future.
Exam	The module 'Criminal Transport Law and Minor Offences Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the tutorials, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

### **Modul: Criminal Traffic and Transport Law and Minor Offences Law**

The module is concerned with two specific areas of Criminal Law.

#### **Criminal Traffic and Transport Law:**

This lecture 'Criminal Transport Law' particularly fits with a practically oriented academic education, as both the criminal and civil courts are concerned with about half of the road traffic legal disputes. This course covers not only questions of material criminal transport law (above all §§ 315 ff and 142 Penal Code), but also covers pertinent questions with regards to the law of sanctions (above all §§ 69 ff and 44 Penal Code, also § 25 Road Traffic Act), and also the criminal transport law and minor offences law.

**Not offered during the academic year 2009/10.**

#### **Minor Offences Law:**

This class serves to teach the material of this specialised area of criminal law, including material, procedural, and sanction legal aspects as well as related consideration of criminological matters. Minor Offences Law is of importance late in the practice of law. Above all, this class benefits the students who would like to work in this area in the future.

### **Modul: The Law of Sanctions and Minor Offences Law**

The module is concerned with two specific areas of Criminal Law.

#### **The Law of Sanctions:**

During the class the 'Law of Sanctions', the so-called 'third pillar' of criminal law is covered, as the law of sanctions (in this module component: adult criminal law) is understood in relation to criminal law and criminal procedure law. The class focuses on types of sanctions, the calculation of sanctions including possible release on licence, abandonment of punishment, for instance dismissal (§§ 153 ff StPO), victim-perpetrator compensation and diversions (conditions, instructions etc.). The class also focuses on questions of enforcement and the execution of sentences, including possible lightening of sentences: and all of these in relation to the background of theories of punishment and under consideration of criminological aspects (e.g. theories of crime and crime statistics).

Not offered during the academic year 2009/10.

#### **Minor Offences Law:**

This class serves to teach the material of this specialised area of criminal law, including material, procedural, and sanction legal aspects as well as related consideration of criminological matters. Minor Offences Law is of importance late in the practice of law. Above all, this class benefits the students who would like to work in this area in the future.

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### **Modul: Juvenile Criminal Law and Minor Offences Law**

The module is concerned with two specific areas of Criminal Law.

#### **Juvenile Criminal Law:**

The examination of empirical criminological questions and the deepening of knowledge of juvenile criminal law should concern the future young criminal law legal practitioners with the empirical sides of 'normative' criminal law and make the possible benefits of criminological insights sensitive: not least of all in view of the increasing demand for practice in youth justice, and youth attorneys.

Not offered during the academic year 2009/10.

#### **Minor Offences Law:**

This class serves to teach the material of this specialised area of criminal law, including material, procedural, and sanction legal aspects as well as related consideration of criminological matters. Minor Offences Law is of importance late in the practice of law. Above all, this class benefits the students who would like to work in this area in the future.

### **Modul: Criminal Economic and Environmental Law and the Law of Sanctions**

The module is concerned with two specific areas of Criminal Law.

#### **Criminal Economic and Environmental Law:**

This class 'Criminal Economic and Environmental Law' serves to deepen student knowledge of chosen economic and environmental offences. Chosen economic offences include fraud and breach of trust (§§ 263 and 266 Penal Code) and most importantly specific fraudulent cases (§§ 263 a, 264 and 265 Penal Code) and also chosen tax offences. Chosen environmental offences include, for example, water, waste, soil conservation, and emission offences.

Not offered during the academic year 2009/10.

#### **The Law of Sanctions:**

During the class the 'Law of Sanctions', the so-called 'third pillar' of criminal law is covered, as the law of sanctions (in this module component: adult criminal law) is understood in relation to criminal law and criminal procedure law. The class focuses on types of sanctions, the calculation of sanctions including possible release on licence, abandonment of punishment, for instance dismissal (§§ 153 ff StPO), victim-perpetrator compensation and diversions (conditions, instructions etc.). The class also focuses on questions of enforcement and the execution of sentences, including possible lightening of sentences: and all of these in relation to the background of theories of punishment and under consideration of criminological aspects (e.g. theories of crime and crime statistics).

Not offered during the academic year 2009/10.

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### **Modul: Juvenile Criminal Law and Enforcement of Sentences**

The module is concerned with two specific areas of Criminal Law.

#### **Juvenile Criminal Law:**

The examination of empirical criminological questions and the deepening of knowledge of juvenile criminal law should concern the future young criminal law legal practitioners with the empirical sides of 'normative' criminal law and make the possible benefits of criminological insights sensitive: not least of all in view of the increasing demand for practice in youth justice, and youth attorneys.

Not offered during the academic year 2009/10.

#### **Enforcement of Sentences:**

This lecture deals with (adult) penal law (penal law, and possible future national penal law), by considering empirical findings related to sentence enforcement, the sociology of life in prison and release.

Not offered during the academic year 2009/10.

### **Modul: The Law of Sanctions and Enforcement of Sentences**

The module is concerned with two specific areas of Criminal Law.

#### **The Law of Sanctions:**

During the class the 'Law of Sanctions', the so-called 'third pillar' of criminal law is covered, as the law of sanctions (in this module component: adult criminal law) is understood in relation to criminal law and criminal procedure law. The class focuses on types of sanctions, the calculation of sanctions including possible release on licence, abandonment of punishment, for instance dismissal (§§ 153 ff StPO), victim-perpetrator compensation and diversions (conditions, instructions etc.). The class also focuses on questions of enforcement and the execution of sentences, including possible lightening of sentences: and all of these in relation to the background of theories of punishment and under consideration of criminological aspects (e.g. theories of crime and crime statistics).

Not offered during the academic year 2009/10.

#### **Enforcement of Sentences:**

This lecture deals with (adult) penal law (penal law, and possible future national penal law), by considering empirical findings related to sentence enforcement, the sociology of life in prison and release.

Not offered during the academic year 2009/10.

## Specialisation 6: State decision-making and state regulation

Module component title	<b>Determinants of Government and Administration Decisions I</b>
Module	Government and Administration
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture analyses state decision making processes. These occur not only by considering the legal perspective, but also by considering taxation points of view, or other factors like limited or personal capacity. Other aspects, such as the importance of decision-making procedures are also covered.
Qualification objectives	This class broadens and deepens the knowledge of government and administration acquired during the compulsory classes. The class should teach an understanding of different factors for making decisions and how they play together.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Determinants of Government and Administration Decisions II</b>
Module	Government and Administration
Frequency	This module component is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Module component parts	Lecture / 2 hours per week Practical class 'Government and Administration' / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits for the lecture and 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Content	This lecture builds on the lecture 'Determinants of Government and Administration Decisions I'. It covers specialised areas or specific factors in making decisions like, for example, the law, the organisation, or capacity. During the practical class the material is considered in more depth.
Qualification objectives	This class broadens and deepens the knowledge of government and administration acquired during the compulsory classes. The class should teach an understanding of different factors for making decisions and how they play together.
Exam	The module 'Government and Administration' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the Winter and Summer semesters. After the lectures during the Summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Norm setting</b>
Module	Norm setting
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	<p>This class covers the different aspects of norm-setting. Content and procedure issues of norm-setting at all levels are examined. Abstract issues like, the nature of the legislation, are also considered. The question of who legislates and in what way, for example the Federal Constitutional Court as legislator, is also raised.</p> <p>This lecture focuses on the fundamental problems with legislating and entertains legal and political guidelines.</p>
Qualification objectives	In this class the students are given an understanding for different norm setting processes and the influence of principles of the legal state and principles of democracy on these procedures.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Norm setting on a supranational and domestic level</b>
Module	Norm setting
Frequency	This module component is offered during the <b>Summer semester</b> .
Contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4 ECTS Credits für die Vorlesung und 4 ECTS Credits für den Anwendungskurs
Content	This module component builds on the lecture 'Norm setting' and covers the different aspects of norm-setting. Content and procedure issues of norm-setting at all levels are examined. Abstract issues like, the nature of the legislation, are also considered. The question of who legislates and in what way, for example the Federal Constitutional Court as legislator, is also raised. This lecture also focuses on norm setting of international organisations and the European Union. During the practical class the material is considered in more depth.
Qualification objectives	This module component broadens and deepens the students already acquired knowledge of norm setting. Of particular importance is conveying an understanding for different norm setting processes and the influence of principles of the legal state and principles of democracy on these procedures.
Exam	The module 'Norm setting' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the Winter and Summer semesters. After the lectures during the Summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Court Control over State Decisions</b>
Module	Jurisprudence
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	In this class problems of the judiciary are examined in depth. This lecture offers a general introduction into the methods and aims of court control.
Qualification objectives	This class broadens the knowledge acquired during the compulsory studies on the government judiciary. In particular, it should teach an understanding of the functions of control of the court in comparison to those of the government in power.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Consolidation of Procedure Law</b>
Module	Jurisprudence
Module component parts	Lecture / 2 hours per week Practical class 'Jurisprudence' / 2 hours per week
Frequency	This module component is offered during the s <b>Summer semester</b> .
ECTS credits	4 ECTS Credits für die Vorlesung und 4 ECTS Credits für den Anwendungskurs
Content	In this module component problems of the judiciary are examined in depth. This lecture 'Consolidation of Procedure Law' builds on the lecture 'Court Control over State Decisions'. Specific problems of procedure law are covered. Questions to do with, for example, constitutional, administrative or court matters and rights to legal remedies are considered. The practical class allows for a more in depth consideration of the lecture material.
Qualification objectives	This module component deepens student knowledge of the government judiciary. In particular, it should teach an understanding of the functions of control of the court in comparison to those of the government in power.
Exam	The module 'Government and Administration' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the lectures during the summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

## Specialisation 7: The internationalisation of the legal system

Module component title	<b>Public International Law I</b>
Module	Public International Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 3 hours per week
ECTS credits	6
Content	This class is concerned with the fundamentals of public international law. This lecture offers an introduction to the characteristics of public international law as an area of law and covers its acts and sources, the most important principals of peace, the laws of armed conflict, international dispute settlement, public international law responsibility, and classic areas such as the law of mission.
Qualification objectives	This class should teach the students about public international law. At the same time the students are able to work on and evaluate public international law case facts leading to case resolution.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Public International Law II</b>
Frequency	This module component is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Module component parts	Lecture / 3 hours per week Practical class / 1 hour per week
ECTS credits	6 ECTS credits for the lecture and 2 ECTS credits for the practical class
Content	This module component builds on the lecture 'Public International Law I' and is concerned with the most important specialised areas of public international law. Above all, the class considers questions of legislating the individual and regional planning, and focuses on the areas of economics, the environment, and development. During the practical class, individual aspects are considered in more depth and techniques for solving cases are trained.
Qualification objectives	This module component should deepen student knowledge of public international law. At the same time the students are able to work on and evaluate public international law case facts leading to case resolution.
Exam	The module 'Private International Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the Winter and Summer semesters. After the lectures during the Summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>European Law I</b>
Module	European Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This class considers the issues surrounding the law of the European Community and the law of the European Union. The course places specific importance on material issues of European law. The course considers the fundamental freedoms of the European market, the income of EU citizens, chosen politics of the EU community, like for example the politics of competition and questions of the community's foreign relations.
Qualification objectives	The students should broaden their knowledge of european law, that they acquired during the compulsory study.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>European Law II</b>
Module	European Law
Frequency	This module component is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Module component parts	Lecture / 2 hours per week Practical class / 2 hour per week
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits for the lecture and 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Content	This class considers the issues surrounding the law of the European Community and the law of the European Union. The course places specific importance on material issues of European law. The course considers the fundamental freedoms of the European market, the income of EU citizens, chosen politics of the EU community, like for example the politics of competition and questions of the community's foreign relations. During the practical class individual aspects are considered in more depth and techniques of case solving are trained.
Qualification objectives	The students should broaden their knowledge of european law, that they acquired during 'European Law I'.
Exam	The module 'European Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the Winter and Summer semesters. After the lectures during the Summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Course title	<b>Leading Cases in Public International Law and European Law</b>
<b>Course Language</b>	<b>English</b>
Frequency	This class takes place every <b>summer semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	6
Content	<p>Alternating each week, leading decisions of the European and International Courts will be presented to and discussed with the students. The aim of the lecture is to examine these cases critically. Participants in this course will also be given the opportunity to improve their command of English legal language.</p> <p>Recommended literature:  Peter Malanczuk, Akehurst's Modern Introduction to International Law, 7th ed., London 1997.  Walter Cairns, Introduction to European Union Law, 2nd ed., London, 2002.</p>
Exam	'Leading Cases in Public International Law and European Law' ends with a written exam.
Registration for the exam	Formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Private International Law I</b>
Module	Private International Law
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>Winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	The matter of private international law including that of international civil procedure law has effect if the circumstances of a case have connections to many legal systems. What needs to be then clarified, is which law comes into use, in which country action can be taken, and under which conditions decisions abroad are recognised in Germany. This lecture focuses on the general part of private international law and its fundamental concepts such as qualification, cross-references, renvoi, and ordre public.
Qualification objectives	Students shall receive an insight into legal issues that occur when case facts are related to many legal systems. In addition to knowledge of German international private and civil procedure law (including European harmonisation attempts), the acceptance of diverging figures of law are promoted and ways of coordinating these with German law are demonstrated.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Private International Law II</b>
Module	Private International Law
Frequency	This module component is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Module component parts	Lecture / 3 hours per week Practical class / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	6 ECTS credits for the lecture and 4 ECTS credits for the practical class
Content	This module component builds on the lecture 'Private International Law I'. During the lecture Private International II individual legal institutions are examined using the relevant criteria for the related established law. Other areas of focus include, with relation to international family law and law of succession, international contract law and property law, and also the law of conflicts for noncontractual contractual obligations. In addition, the module covers the execution of international trade and corporate law, and an introduction to international civil procedure law. The practical class completes the lectures by holding discussions on cases, aspects of international civil procedure law, and linking the general and specific sections of private international law together.
Qualification objectives	Students shall receive an insight into legal issues that occur when case facts are related to many legal systems. In addition to knowledge of German international private and civil procedure law (including European harmonisation attempts), the acceptance of diverging figures of law are promoted and ways of coordinating these with German law are demonstrated.
Exam	The module 'International Private Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the winter and summer semesters. After the lectures during the summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Comparative Law I (with integrated practical class)</b>
Module	Comparative Law
Frequency	This module component is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Module component parts	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture 'Comparative Law I' begins with an introduction to the comparative law methods and looks at the importance of comparative law for law unification, law approximation, and (supra)national legislation. Later in the lecture series, an overview is given of important legal traditions around the world. The class focuses on making a comparison between European tort law.
Qualification objectives	The examination of other traditions of law and their developed solutions for typical community conflict broaden the horizon of the students, while also sharpening their understanding of their local figures of law and their designs of solutions.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. The lectures end with a written exam or an oral exam for students from abroad.
Registration for the exam	The exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Module component title	<b>Comparative Law II (with integrated practical class)</b>
Frequency	This module component is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Module component parts	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	The lecture 'Comparative Law II' focuses on comparing european laws for contractual arrangements, in which different suggestions and agreements for unification of the law, particularly for UN sales law are included.
Qualification objectives	The examination of other traditions of law and their developed solutions for typical community conflict broaden the horizon of the students, while also sharpening their understanding of their local figures of law and their designs of solutions.
Exam	The module 'Comparative Law' ends with a written exam for German students, which covers the material from the Winter and Summer semesters. After the lectures during the Summer semester, exchange students can either sit a special written exam or an oral exam.
Registration for the exam	The dates for the special written exam and oral exams are agreed upon between the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Course title	<b>European Consumer Law</b>
<b>Course Language</b>	<b>English</b>
Frequency	This lecture takes place every <b>winter term</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	6
Content	Consumer policy is a core component of the European Union's strategy objective of improving the quality of life for all EU citizens. This class starts out with a look at the history of consumer protection in the EU and the basis provided for consumer protection initiatives by the Treaty establishing the European Union. We then consider different Consumer Protection directives, i.e. those on unfair contract terms, doorstep selling, distance selling (including electronic commerce), sale of consumer goods and guarantees, injunctions. We will address both the efficacy of these directives as well as the pros and cons of a minimum versus a maximum harmonisation approach. Measures to protect consumers by way of conflict of laws and forum selection rules are examined, as well as other instruments of consumer protection, such as the Consumer Complaint Form, Legal Aid and the European Judicial Network in civil and commercial matters.
Exam	'Leading Cases in Public International Law and European Law' ends with a written exam.
Registration for the exam	Formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Course title	<b>International Human Rights Protection I</b>
Frequency	This lecture takes place during every <b>winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture gives an overview of the systems at an international level which protect human rights (UN, the European Council, OAS, OAU). After an overview of the legal protection systems and a comparative assessment, the problem of the coexistence of different international legal processes is considered. The lecturer is the Head of Human Rights at the European Council in Strasbourg.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. Students from abroad can complete an assignment at the end of the course.
Registration for the exam	The assignment topic and deadline will be determined by the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Course title	<b>International Human Rights Protection II</b>
Frequency	This lecture takes place during every <b>summer semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture continues on from the 'International Human Rights Protection I' lectures and acknowledges the efficiency of individual protection systems using chosen legal practices. The course focuses on the European Human Rights Convention and the reform in 1998. The lecturer is the Head of Human Rights at the European Council in Strasbourg.
Exam	No exam is required for German students. Students from abroad can complete an assignment at the end of the course.
Registration for the exam	The assignment topic and deadline will be determined by the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Course title	<b>Public International Law and Foreign Affairs</b>
Frequency	This seminar takes place during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Seminar / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Content	This class examines the dynamic relationships between internationally effective trade and public international law. The focus is on the practice of the UN. At the beginning a current debate of the Security Council is played out in a simulation. Then presentations are introduced for a realistic discussion about central questions of the right to freedom, the current tension between the prohibition of force and the right to self defence (including the fight against terrorism) and opportunities for reforming the UN. The present day role of the main organ of world organisation (including the international court) is critically analysed. The lecturer is the previous Ambassador for Germany. He worked at the UN for many terms of office.
Exam	Students are required to present a paper. A written copy of the work must be submitted to the teaching staff.
Registration for the exam	The topic and date is determined by the teaching staff and indicated during the first seminar. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.
Registration for the course	During the first week of lectures the introductory class takes place, in which places for the class and the papert topics are given out.

Course title	<b>Diplomacy, Foreign Affairs and Group Dynamics in the UN</b>
Frequency	This lecture takes place during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	At the beginning the current importance of diplomacy, particularly of German Foreign Affairs, and their role in the UN is introduced. Then the essentials are covered, the institutional spheres that diplomacy, foreign affairs and group dynamics unfold in, and the General Assembly and General Secretary, above all the role of the UN Security Council, are examined. New perspectives on the tense relationship between the prohibition of force and self defence (international terror, threats through weapons of mass destruction) are critically examined. Due to the lecturer's own extensive experience as Ambassador for Germany, there are two practical case studies concerning the opportunities and challenges of negotiation processes, and the learnings from these case studies will be considered. The case studies concern solutions to the question of Namibia and the struggle for stable rule in Cyprus. Background and practical introduction to negotiation initiatives, strategies and their appropriateness, the play of third countries, the media and economy, methods such as diplomacy and simultaneous negotiations are also presented. At the end, reforms for strengthening the UN's core responsibility for peaceful settlement of disputes are debated.
Exam	The lectures end with a written exam.
Registration for the exam	The exam date will be indicated by the teaching staff during the lectures. A formal registration with the Examinations Office is not required.

Course title	<b>Law and Government in the UK - An introduction to constitutional law</b>
Course Language	<b>English</b>
Frequency	This class takes place during the <b>winter semester</b> .
	<b>Not offered in the academic year 2009/10</b>
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture with a limited number of participants / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	6
Content	<p>Introductory units:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The legal systems in the UK</li> <li>2. The British constitution – an overview</li> </ol> <p>Topical units:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. The basic principles: the rule of law and Parliamentary sovereignty</li> <li>4. A written constitution for the UK? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Laws, conventions and the Human Rights Act 1998 – a hierarchy of norms?</li> <li>(b) Separation of powers under the UK constitution</li> <li>(c) The process of enacting a written constitution</li> </ol> </li> <li>5. The Human Rights Act and a ‘British Bill of Rights and Responsibilities’</li> <li>6. Government and Parliament I – The Government and its political accountability</li> <li>7. Government and Parliament II – The Crown, the Royal Prerogative and its reform</li> <li>8. How Parliament works – potential for further reform?</li> <li>9. The House of Lords – where do we go?</li> <li>10. Parliament, Government and the courts I – the role of the courts in the UK and the issue of legal accountability of governance</li> <li>11. Parliament, Government and the courts II – appointment and accountability of the judiciary and the administration of the courts</li> <li>12. Parliament, Government and the courts III – the UK Supreme Court: just moving across the road or a silent revolution?</li> <li>13. Devolution in the UK – on the way towards asymmetrical federalism?</li> <li>14. Church and State in the UK</li> <li>15. The UK and Europe</li> </ol>
Registration for this class	Interested students should send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:maik.martin@berlin.de">maik.martin@berlin.de</a> prior to their arrival in Berlin.
Exam	Oral presentation and written exam.
Registration for the exam	Registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

### Classes for obtaining legal competence in a foreign language:

Course title	<b>Introduction to the Anglo-American Law and Legal System</b>
<b>Course Language</b>	<b>English</b>
Frequency	This class takes place <b>every semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	6
Content	The aim of this course is to provide an introduction to the fundamentals of the Anglo-American legal system (now spread worldwide) as well as to acquire a relevant general legal vocabulary. Students will also begin to interact with legal subject-matter in a text-based context, thus developing their communicative skills. Individual communicative (and intercultural) competence is promoted through structured interaction between the legal texts and the learner group.
Exam	Paper
Registration for the exam	Registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Course title	<b>Introduction to Spanish Law</b>
<b>Course Language</b>	<b>Spanish</b>
Frequency	This lecture is offered <b>every semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	6
Content	Este curso es una primera aproximación al sistema jurídico español actual, ofreciendo los conocimientos básicos del Derecho Público, Derecho Penal y sobre todo del Derecho Privado. El tema principal del curso es por tanto el Derecho Civil centrado en derecho de obligaciones, contratos, propiedad, familia, mercantil y comercial. Las clases se imparten en español y está dirigido a estudiantes de todos los semestres con conocimientos de español a nivel de conversación y con interés en los ordenamientos jurídicos de los países de habla hispana. La docente es Abogada ejerciente en España y comenta algunos de sus interesantes casos actuales de su práctica jurídica con sus clientes alemanes en España, teniendo así las clases un carácter práctico y ameno.
Exam	The course ends with a written exam.
Registration for the exam	The exam date will be given by the teaching staff during the lecture. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

Course title	<b>Terminologie juridique française</b>
<b>Course Language</b>	<b>French</b>
Frequency	This lecture is offered <b>every semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	6
Content	Ce cours s'adresse à des étudiantes et étudiants ayant des connaissances de base de la langue française. Le but du cours étant de se familiariser avec la terminologie juridique française et non de traiter de façon exhaustive le droit français, chaque séance sera consacrée à un sujet particulier tiré d'un domaine du droit (public, privé, pénal). à travers la lecture et la discussion d'extraits de lois, de décisions, d'articles de presse actuels ou de littérature secondaire, le vocabulaire juridique de base ainsi que les expressions et abréviations courantes seront expliqués et devront être réutilisés dans des exercices oraux et écrits.
Exam	Les conditions de l'obtention du certificat sont une participation orale active ainsi que la réussite d'un test écrit.
Registration for the exam	The exam date will be given by the teaching staff during the lectures. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.

### Classes for acquiring key legal skills:

Course title	<b>Mediation and Family Law</b>
Frequency	This project group is offered <b>every semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Project Group / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Content	Theoretical and practical fundamentals of negotiation processes are taught, with an emphasis on family legal conflicts. Prior knowledge of family law is recommended, but not required for participation. The negotiation processes, levels of negotiation and principles are suggested for the small group work, role plays and presentations. In addition, an overview and introduction to family law from a lawyer's perspective takes place.
Exam	Students are required to present a paper.
Registration for the exam	The topic and date of the presentation is determined by the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.
Registration for the course	This course is only available to exchange students when local students have not taken all the places. Interested exchange students should email the lecturer at <a href="mailto:nw@kanzlei-wesel.com">nw@kanzlei-wesel.com</a> to indicate their interest before their arrival in Berlin.

Course title	<b>Economic negotiation</b>
Frequency	This project group is offered <b>every semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Project Group / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Content	This class is suited to students who are interested in improving their personal communicative, conflict resolution and negotiating abilities. The theoretical and practical fundamentals of mediation are taught, with an emphasis on economic conflict. The class focuses on the structure and principals of mediation, the history and importance of economic negotiation, the role of negotiators in economic negotiation, the law of economic negotiation, theories of conflict and negotiation techniques, and teaching communication techniques to assist with intervening in conflicts, and the role of lawyers in economic negotiation. The teaching methods include giving presentations, talks, holding discussion, small group exercises, and role play.
Exam	Students are required to present a paper.
Registration for the exam	The topic and date of the presentation is determined by the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.
Registration for the course	This course is only available to exchange students when local students have not taken all the places. Interested exchange students should email the lecturer at <a href="mailto:walzberger@amos-institut.de">walzberger@amos-institut.de</a> to indicate their interest before their arrival in Berlin.

Course title	<b>The Lawyer's Offices</b>
Frequency	This project group is offered <b>every semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Project Group / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Content	Fictitious mandates of the first agreements on dates for file creation, litigation proceedings until law enforcement are demonstrated. The necessary knowledge and demands are played out with the use of practical exercises from a software programme, in which the different legal aspects of daily work in law chambers are covered. In addition, the determinants of freelance work of lawyers working as a business are covered, including marketing and other business matters.
Exam	Regular attendance and active participation leads to a certificate to confirm participation. There is no exam!
Registration for the course	This course is only available to exchange students when local students have not taken all the places. Interested exchange students should email the lecturer at <a href="mailto:Jurallp@zedat.fu-berlin.de">Jurallp@zedat.fu-berlin.de</a> to indicate their interest before their arrival in Berlin.

### Other courses, courses for other areas of study:

Course title	<b>Environmental Law I</b>
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This lecture serves to build on the fundamentals and deepen the questions with regards to public environmental management and complements the lecture 'Introduction to Public and Private Environmental Management'. Legal problems and example cases are considered in light of practical experiences with regards to environmental management.
Exam	Exchange students can agree on a form of examination with the teaching staff.
Registration for the exam	Exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.
Registration for the course	Interessierte Austauschstudierende sollten sich bereits vor ihrer Ankunft in Berlin bei Herrn Ulf Marzik ( <a href="mailto:marzik@zedat.fu-berlin.de">marzik@zedat.fu-berlin.de</a> ) anmelden.

Course title	<b>Environmental Law II</b>
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	Lecture / 2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This class serves to deepen knowledge of fundamental issues with public environmental management and supplements the lecture 'Introduction to Public and Private Environmental Management' and the seminar 'Public Environmental Law I'. This class focuses on european and international environmental law and its reference to national environmental law. This class is offered to Master in Public and Operational Environmental Management students.
Exam	Exchange students can agree on a form of examination with the teaching staff.
Registration for the exam	Exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff. A formal registration at the Examinations Office is not required.
Registration for the course	Interessierte Austauschstudierende sollten sich bereits vor ihrer Ankunft in Berlin bei Herrn Ulf Marzik ( <a href="mailto:marzik@zedat.fu-berlin.de">marzik@zedat.fu-berlin.de</a> ) anmelden.

### Other courses for ERASMUS students:

Course title	<b>Diplomacy: Essentials and Dynamics</b>
<b>Course Language</b>	<b>English</b>
Frequency	This seminar is offered during the <b>summer semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	8
Dozent	Ambassador Dr. Wilfried Bolewski
Content	<p>Due to the growing number of participants in globalized relations (States, International Organizations, as well as NGOs, transnational companies, the media, etc.) the focus of traditional diplomacy is widening:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- internalization of diplomacy and internationalization of domestic affairs,</li> <li>- flexibility and pragmatism,</li> <li>- communitarianism versus reciprocity,</li> <li>- culture and language,</li> <li>- symbolism.</li> </ul> <p>Diplomacy is transforming and expanding its role as the method of interstate relations to a general instrument of communication among globalized societies. Adapting to globalization the practice of diplomacy is shared by non-state participants, thus becoming privatized and popularized. With the strife for common values, the finality of international interaction moves beyond national interest towards communitarianism.</p> <p>International law governing foreign relations can be strengthened through judicial review by national courts. The legal foundations of diplomacy are provided in particular by the Vienna Conventions on Diplomatic and Consular Relations. Working on the interface of diplomacy and academia, this practitioner's seminar combines an insider view into innovation and change of the diplomatic process with a concise interdisciplinary academic analysis.</p> <p>The interdisciplinary, career-orientated seminar by an active diplomat in cooperation with the German Foreign Office is preparing for innovative international tasks and deals with topical problems of diplomacy using practical cases and experience as well as relevant literature.</p> <p>Participants interested in an international career who have reached an advanced stage of their studies or have gained a B.A., have very good knowledge of English and preferably also French, as well as practical experience abroad should contact <a href="mailto:fudiplo@zedat.fu-berlin.de">fudiplo@zedat.fu-berlin.de</a> well before their arrival in Berlin to be allocated a tutorial paper topic.</p>

Course title	<b>Introduction to German Law</b>
Frequency	This lecture is offered during the <b>winter semester</b> .
Type of class and contact hours	2 hours per week
ECTS credits	4
Content	This class covers German Criminal and Public Law and is geared towards LL.M. Programme, ERASMUS, and other students.
Exam	Exchange students can agree on a form of examination with the teaching staff.
Registration for the course	Exam dates are determined by the exchange students and the teaching staff.



## Appendix

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### Academic Calendar

#### Winter Semester

Semester commences:	1 October
Orientation days:	first and second weeks of October
Orientation days at the Law Department:	first or second weeks of October
Lecture period:	mid-October until mid-February
Midsemester break:	during Christmas and New Year
Exam period:	from the middle to the end of February
Semester ends:	31 March

#### Summer Semester

Semester commences:	1 April
Orientation days:	first and second weeks of April
Orientation days at the Law Department:	first or second weeks of April
Lecture period:	mid-April until mid-July
Lecture free days:	public holidays
Exam period:	from the middle to the end of July
Semester ends:	30 September

#### Tips for personal time management

It is recommended to arrive in Berlin at the beginning of October or April (as required). Then there is enough time for all administrative matters and participation in our orientation days. The orientation course at the Law Department is compulsory for all ERASMUS students. At the end of each semester, enough time should be planned for exams. The exam dates are generally flexibly arranged between the teaching staff and ERASMUS students. Departure from Berlin should not take place before the end of February or end of July.

## Tips for ERASMUS scholarship applications

Enrolment at Freie Universität Berlin takes place for a complete 6 or 12 months (from 1 October until 31 March during the winter semester and from 1 April until 30 September during the summer semester). ERASMUS students should only apply for scholarships from the day of their arrival until the day of their departure, that is, not for the complete 6 or 12 months. Scholarships are granted based on the ERASMUS-Confirmation. This confirmation confirms the duration of the scholarship, usually less than 6 or 12 months.

## Contacts for ERASMUS students

### ERASMUS Office

The ERASMUS Office (ERASMUS-Büro) at Freie Universität Berlin offers information about:

- Enrolment at the Freie Universität Berlin
- Health Insurance
- Registration with the police and official permission to stay in Berlin
- Free language courses at the language centre of Freie Universität Berlin (Sprachenzentrum) during the semester

Freie Universität  
ERASMUS-Bureau  
Brümmstr. 52  
D - 14195 Berlin

Tel.: +49 30 83 87 34 15  
Fax: +49 30 83 87 34 20  
[erasmus@fu-berlin.de](mailto:erasmus@fu-berlin.de)

[http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud\\_in/std\\_in\\_eras/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud_in/std_in_eras/index.html)  
[http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud\\_in/allginfo/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud_in/allginfo/index.html)

Opening Hours:      Mon, Tue      9:30 – 12:30  
                                 Thu              14:00 – 17:00

ERASMUS Coordinator: Frau Dr. Eva Lack

## ERG University Services

The ERG University Services (ERG Universitätsservice GmbH) supports ERASMUS students with the following:

- Reservation of accommodation at student colleges
- Registration for intensive language courses prior to the lecture period

ERG Universitätsservice GmbH  
Habelschwerdter Allee 34 a  
D – 14195 Berlin

Tel.: +49 30 83 87 34 46  
Fax: +49 30 83 87 34 42  
[vorkurs@zedat.fu-berlin.de](mailto:vorkurs@zedat.fu-berlin.de)

<http://web.fu-berlin.de/deutsch-vorkurs/>

## Study Advisory Office at the Law Department

The Study Advisory Office (Studienbüro) is a contact for academic questions and problems:

- Orientation course at the Law Department
- Course planning
- Courses
- Exams
- ECTS-credits
- Learning Agreement

Freie Universität Berlin  
Law Department  
Study Advisory Office  
Boltzmannstr. 3  
D - 14195 Berlin

Tel.: +49 30 83 85 25 28  
Fax: +49 30 83 85 25 29  
[Jurallp@zedat.fu-berlin.de](mailto:Jurallp@zedat.fu-berlin.de)  
<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/>

Opening Hours: Mon – Thu 9:30 – 12:30 and 13:30 – 14:30  
Fri after appointment

Departmental ERASMUS Co-ordinator:  
Assistant to the Departmental ERASMUS Co-ordinator:

Dr. Andreas Fijal  
Nicole Schindler

## Information on the Internet

### Accommodation at Student Colleges

<http://web.fu-berlin.de/deutsch-vorkurs/> (Link „Accommodation“)

### Short-term stay options at youth hostels

<http://www.djh-berlin-brandenburg.de/>

### Search engines for private accommodation

[http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud\\_in/allginfo/allginfo\\_wohnen/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud_in/allginfo/allginfo_wohnen/index.html)

<http://www.zitty.de/> (Link „Kleinanzeigen“)

<http://www.berlinonline.de/tip/index.php> (Links „Kleinanzeigen“ und „Anzeigenmarkt“)

<http://www.studenten-wg.de/> (Link „Wohnungsmarkt“)

<http://www.wg-gesucht.de/wg-zimmer-in-Berlin.8.o.1.o.html>

[http://www.zwischenmiete.de/angebote\\_lesen.php](http://www.zwischenmiete.de/angebote_lesen.php)

<http://www.wg-klick.de/>

<http://www.wohnpool.de/wohnungsangebote.html>

### Six week intensive language course during the semester holidays before semester begins

<http://web.fu-berlin.de/deutsch-vorkurs/>

### Free German courses during the semester

[http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud\\_in/allginfo/allginfo\\_deutsch/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud_in/allginfo/allginfo_deutsch/index.html)

### Learning Agreement

[http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/erasmus/learning\\_agreement.html](http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/erasmus/learning_agreement.html)

<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/studium/internationales/erasmus/lehrveranstaltungsarten.html>

### Syllabus

<http://www.fu-berlin.de/vv>  
<http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/> (link “Studium / Lehrplan“, “Lehrplan“)

## Email Account

[http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud\\_in/allginfo/allginfo\\_email/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud_in/allginfo/allginfo_email/index.html)

## Health Insurance

[http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud\\_in/allginfo/allginfo\\_krankenvers/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud_in/allginfo/allginfo_krankenvers/index.html)

## Enrolment / Registration

[http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud\\_in/allginfo/allginfo\\_imma/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud_in/allginfo/allginfo_imma/index.html)

## Study Visa / Residence Permit

[http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud\\_in/allginfo/allginfo\\_visum/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud_in/allginfo/allginfo_visum/index.html)

## Bank account

[http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud\\_in/allginfo/allginfo\\_bank/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud_in/allginfo/allginfo_bank/index.html)

## Public Transport and Semester Ticket for public transport

[http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud\\_in/allginfo/allginfo\\_verkehrsmittel/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud_in/allginfo/allginfo_verkehrsmittel/index.html)  
[http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud\\_in/allginfo/allginfo\\_semticket/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/zuv/abt-4/mobilitaet/stud_in/allginfo/allginfo_semticket/index.html)  
<http://www.bvg.de/>

## Berlin

<http://www.berlin.de> (official website for Berlin)  
<http://www.stadtplandienst.de> (electronic map)  
<http://www.zitty.de/> (city magazine with cinema, concert and entertainment tips)  
<http://www.berlinonline.de/tip/index.php> (city magazine)

## The cost of living in Berlin

### Semester ticket (for public transport) and student amenities fees:

about 200 euro per semester

### Books:

The department's library is open every evening and on the weekends. Aside from legal texts (approximately 5 – 10 euro per text), no books need to be purchased. Some professors sell their lecture notes at their own predetermined price (around 3-5 euros).

### Accommodation:

250 – 350 euro per month at student colleges (including bills)  
250 – 350 euro per month in shared apartments

### Food:

150 – 200 euro per month

### Cultural activities and free time:

around 80 - 120 euro per month, according to personal lifestyle

### A film portrait of FuBerlin:

German: [mms://streamo2.cedis.fu-berlin.de/pr/fu\\_film\\_de\\_5ook\\_vbr.wmv](mms://streamo2.cedis.fu-berlin.de/pr/fu_film_de_5ook_vbr.wmv)

English: [mms://streamo2.cedis.fu-berlin.de/pr/fu\\_film\\_en\\_5ook\\_vbr.wmv](mms://streamo2.cedis.fu-berlin.de/pr/fu_film_en_5ook_vbr.wmv)

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