University of Lausanne & University of Iceland for LLM Students

University of Lausanne

In 2011, UNSW Law and the University of Lausanne (UNIL) signed a unique exchange agreement which allows Master of Laws (LLM) students at UNSW to complete a term of study in an unrivalled international setting with one of Europe’s most prestigious universities. The University of Lausanne is situated a short distance from Geneva and its international organisations and visits to these organisations will form an important part of the exchange experience.

Courses are taught by distinguished academics as well as practitioners working in government, international law firms, in legal departments of major corporations and in international organisations in Geneva as well as in the EU institutions in Brussels and Strasbourg. The University of Lausanne has been engaged in teaching law since 1537 when the Academy of Lausanne was founded. Students also have the opportunity to learn or improve their French language skills with the university offering a broad range of classes.

LLM Program at the University of Lausanne

The LLM at the University of Lausanne offers two specialisations in International and European Economic Law and International and European Commercial Law. A number of courses are available under each of these specialisations. UNSW students are required to complete 26 ECTS in compulsory or elective courses which equals 24 units of credit at UNSW. The full list of courses can be viewed on the course catalogue. You may want to consider completing the compulsory courses which will give you a foundation for the electives. These are:

- International Economic Law (with excursion to Bern and Zurich) 4 ECTS
- International Business Transactions 4 ECTS
- European Internal Market Law 4 ECTS
Excursions to International Organisations

There are a number of excursions included to International Organisations based in Geneva and Brussels. The LLM at the University of Lausanne aims at preparing lawyers from around the world for high-level challenges in a globalised economy with a special focus on the role of the European Union and its legal order. The programme combines theory and practice in a number of core legal fields relevant for the world economy.

The University of Iceland

The University of Iceland is a progressive educational and scientific institution, renowned in the global scientific community for its research. It is a state university, situated in the heart of Reykjavík, the capital of Iceland. The University of Iceland has been the centre of knowledge in Iceland for more than a century. Continuous development and a clear vision for the future are, and will continue to be, the strength of the University. A modern, diversified and rapidly developing institution, the University offers opportunities for study and research in over 400 programmes spanning most academic fields.

LLM Program at the University of Iceland

The LL.M. in Natural Resources Law and International Environmental Law at the Faculty of Law, University of Iceland is a specialised Masters Program in law created for students from around the world who have reached a relatively high standard in their basic legal education (corresponding to a law degree after at least three years of law studies) and want to focus on legal rules relating to natural resources and issues of environment or resource management in an international and European perspective and the program is conducted exclusively in English.

Program structure

Autumn (T3): September to December (30 ECTS) Core Modules

Spring (T1): January to May (30 ECTS) Core Modules

Exchange Eligibility

UNSW Master of Laws students (programs 9200 & 9201 only) who have completed 24UOC and whose academic standing is ‘Good’ are eligible to apply. Note that 2019 and beyond commencing Master of Laws students under program 9201 must have a completed law undergraduate (LLB) degree. All information on how to apply is available on the Student Exchange Moodle tutorial https://student.unsw.edu.au/exchangetutorial
UNSW 3+

There are several options for the term/s you will be away under UNSW 3+ depending on the overseas university academic calendar. For example, to transfer 24UOC students can study over one term (T1: Jan-May or T3: Sep-Jan) or two terms (T1 & T2: Jan-Aug or T2 & T3: Aug-Jan) depending on the overseas partner calendar. More information is available on the Student Exchange Moodle tutorial (log in required) and host university website.

A full time load at the partner institution is generally equivalent to 24 UOC at UNSW. Under UNSW 3+ you can transfer a minimum 18 UOC and maximum 24UOC for one term. Students who go on exchange for two terms must transfer a minimum of 24UOC.

More information

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