



Joint LL.M.

*LL.M. in French and European Union
Law, specialization in Taxation Law,
Business Law and Compliance*

CY Cergy Paris University (France)

&

*LL.M. in International Commercial
Law*

University of Dundee (Scotland)

CY Law School

Welcome to CY Law !

*Please read very carefully the information in this
presentation*

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GENERAL PRESENTATION

Presentation of the University and the Law School

Since its creation in 1967, the department of Val-d'Oise has been a dynamic center for economic development. Its privileged geographical situation allows it to benefit from Paris and its western employment zones. Major national and international companies play a predominant role in the local economy. The University of CY Cergy Paris University was founded in 1991 within this dynamic framework. Ideally located west of Paris in the department of Val d'Oise, it is within a short distance from Paris, 30 minutes from The Arc de Triomphe and The Avenue of the Champs-Élysées.

The university's goal is to become one of the world's leading universities and to gain an international reputation for research. Our strategy is based on the qualitative and quantitative recruitment of doctoral students, post-doctoral fellows and research lecturers, and we strive to develop strategic alliances and support innovation. Our ambition is to help address the major societal challenges of the 21st century.

CY Cergy Paris Université is renowned for its dynamism and its firm commitment to developing research excellence. It is rooted in its territory and strongly oriented towards the international market. Its goal is to help address the challenges of the 21st century and it is committed to driving societal transition. It is one of the laureate universities of the Investment for the Future Programme. The CY Initiative I-Site is a joint initiative between CY Cergy Paris Université and the ESSEC Business School, and is one of the leading higher education and research sites in the world. Its strong points are a better understanding of the global challenges of a changing world, due primarily to scientific and technological developments, coupled with a radically international approach, at the heart of a top-ranking campus for quality of life. CY Initiative systematically bases its implementation on two drivers: excellence in research and economic development.

The School of Law welcomes over 3,000 students and offers "Licence", Master and Doctorate Degrees. It is a dynamic and prestigious school among the best in the country and ranked several times first in Paris and suburbs by different surveys. The School has developed and multiplied international partnerships and exchanges with foreign universities in Europe, the United States and Australia. At the same time it has also developed bilingual degrees in Anglo-American, English, Spanish and German law.

The School of Law has also developed a field of expertise in emerging topics such as compliance, risk management and social responsibility.

In keeping with its efforts to welcome foreign students and to develop international links, the School of Law has created a national Master Degree program taught in English. This program offers for the very first time to foreign students and professionals who do not speak French the opportunity to acquire an advanced knowledge of French and European Union Law and obtain a national Master's Degree.

Objectives of the joint LL.M. degree

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

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

Students enrolled on the joint LL.M. program will graduate with an LL.M. in International Commercial Law from UOD and an LL.M. in French and European Union Law with a specialization in Taxation, Business Law and Compliance from CY.

At CY, the LL.M. is equivalent to the second year of the French Master degree.

Applicants are required to hold a recognized undergraduate or postgraduate degree in law according to the academic requirements to seek admission to practice as a lawyer in their home countries.

Applicants holding a Juris Doctor, LL.B. or an equivalent legal qualification will be awarded the equivalent of the first year of the French Master degree and admitted to the second year of the degree.

Applicants with qualifications from other disciplines, whom don't meet the requirements above, may also be admitted to the program and enrol in a university degree. Their admission to the program is subject to outstanding records and completion of at least 4 to 5 law units during their studies.

Applicants may undertake the two semesters over a period of two different academic years.

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

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

APPLICATION AND SELECTING PROCEDURES

Application Terms

The joint degree is open to graduates (French or foreigners) from non-French jurisdictions and foreign professionals.

Applicants admitted to the LL.M. program upon recognition of equivalence with the first year of the French Master Degree will be sent an equivalent rating application form to be awarded the first year of the Master degree by equivalence. This application form is compulsory to be enrolled in the LL.M. and be awarded a Master degree.

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

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

Applicants whose native language is not English must read the Language proficiency guide and provide original test scores for one of the accepted proficiency tests.

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

Applicants may download the joint LL.M. application form on CY's Website or withdraw the form at the Secretary Office of the LL.M. program.

Application forms can be downloaded from January 10th and are required to be returned to the Secretary Office by June 30th of the same year (unless extensions decided by the School).

Selecting Terms

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

The application are examined on a rolling basis. The application Committee strives to decide within two to six weeks after a completed application is received. Consequently, applicants who present a strong application early in the review process have a better chance of admission. Applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

Any applicant withdrawing from the program for a well-justified reason must notify the Director at least three months before the first seminar start. Only students who withdraw in these conditions are subject to a refund of the tuition fees.

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

PROGRAM



CY CERGY PARIS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
2025 - 2026



LL.M. in French and European Law Taught in English
Specialization :
Taxation Law, Business Law and Compliance
— 1 year Program —



FALL SEMESTER				Hours
<u>2 Classes</u>				32
UNIT 1 INTRODUCTION TO FRENCH & EU LAW	●	Introduction to the French and Civil Law	●	16
	●	Introduction to the European Union Law	●	16
<u>5 Classes</u>				76
UNIT 2 FRENCH & EU LAW	●	Environmental Law	●	16
	●	Criminal Law and Procedure	●	20
	●	Contract Law	●	20
	●	Tort Law	●	20
	●	French Language (CLF)	●	—
<u>4 Classes</u>				76
UNIT 3 TAXATION LAW, BUSINESS LAW & COMPLIANCE	●	Corporate Governance & Compliance I	●	16
	●	Company Law	●	20
	●	International Commercial Law	●	20
	●	Intellectual Property	●	20
SPRING SEMESTER				Hours
<u>5 Classes</u>				80
UNIT 1 FRENCH & EU LAW	●	Business & Human Rights	●	20
	●	European Union Law	●	20
	●	Labor Law	●	20
	●	Antitrust & Competition Law	●	20
	●	French Language (CLF)	●	—
<u>1 Class</u>				0
UNIT 2 RESEARCH	●	Dissertation	●	
<u>4 Classes</u>				76
UNIT 3 TAXATION LAW, BUSINESS LAW & COMPLIANCE	●	Corporate Governance & Compliance II	●	16
	●	Taxation Law	●	20
	●	Litigation & Arbitration	●	20
	●	Capital Market & Banking	●	20

PROGRAM

International Commercial Law	
Semester 2 at Universtiy of Dundee (30 ECTS)	
Intensive compulsory class	
-	Common Law
2 seminars to choose :	
-	Financial Services and Markets Regulation
-	International remedies in contract
-	International Business Transactions II
-	International Dispute Resolution
-	Environmental Justice
-	EU Environmental Law
1 compulsory seminar + Dissertation :	
-	Research skills course
-	Dissertation (15.000 words on a comparative commercial topic)

ORGANIZATION OF STUDIES AT CY¹

The Semesters

The 1st semester starts early September according to the academic calendar. The exams will take place in December. The 2nd semester starts in January according to the academic calendar. The exams will take place between April and May. The academic calendar changes from one year to another. Students are required to consult the academic calendar for the year in which they are enrolled in order to organize their stay in France. Students must be in France and participate in the pre-LL.M. meeting at least one week before the classes start.

The Courses and Seminars

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

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

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

ORGANIZATION OF EXAMS AT CY

A final exam is administered at the end of the semester for each class or seminar based on the professor's decision.

The form of the final exam is in written (unless other instruction given by the professors in charge). The duration of the exam is 2 or 3 hours.

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

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

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

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

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

Students enrolled in the program may follow the two semesters over a period of two different academic years.

¹ Please refer to the information available on the University of Dundee's website for the LL.M. in International Commercial Law

LEARNING TRIP

Each year a learning trip to the European institutions is organized by the LL.M. program at CY.. Only students with a Schengen Visa can take part in the event. Participation is fully recommended.

FRENCH LANGUAGE

LL.M. students follow French language classes in addition to their main studies throughout the year. The French language classes are delivered by CY's language centre during the two semesters.

French speakers of students holding a French language certificate (level B2 or superior) from a recognized institution (Alliance française, DELF/DALF) and delivered maximum 3 years prior to the beginning of the LL.M. may be exempted from attending French lessons.

TUITION FEES

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

Joint LL.M. (CY-UOD)

For 2 semesters:

European Students:	10000 Euros
Non-European Students:	12500 Euros

French Language Classes:

For Semester:	80 Euros
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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

A Step by Step Guidebook for the program is available on the website and sent to all students admitted to the program.

It includes information on accommodation, student jobs, visa and financing studies in France.

Students must read the Step by Step Guide very carefully, especially with regard to accommodation.

The School of Law is not responsible for late applications to accommodations.