

Module G1	
Module Name	The EU as a Legal Community
Module type	Required module
Curriculum	<p>This module deals with the institutional and substantive principles and regulations of European Community law stemming from the founding treaties and other primary law, in particular the constitutional conventions common to the Member States and the standards of the European Convention on Human Rights, the legal acts of the Community institutions, and other acts of secondary law as well as court decisions, in particular those from the European Court of Justice.</p> <p>This module also covers the constitutional foundations of the EU and the European integration process, with special emphasis on institutional legal aspects (relationship between Community law / national law, institutions, democracy, transparency, substantive due process, federalism, Union citizenship, enforcement of Community law, legal protection, etc.).</p> <p>Limited to general features, the following will be specifically addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European federalism • the European multi-level constitution • supranationality as a constitutional principle and characteristic of Community law • Community institutions and their competencies • legislation, contract monitoring, and enforcement of Community law • principles of substantive due process and judicial relief • European integration as a constitutional process • legal explanatory approaches to integration • the democratic problem of European integration • objectives and tasks of the Community • Union citizenship and human rights • economic freedoms of the EC Treaty • competition law • human rights
Objectives	<p>Learning results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in-depth knowledge of the constitutional foundations of the EU in the European multi-level system • in-depth knowledge of the EU's core constitutional principles (notably democracy, federalism, and substantive due process) and the ability to critically address the problems of their implementation at the Community level and convert them into research or application-oriented projects • acquisition of in-depth knowledge of the creation process and content of Community reform treaties • acquisition of the basic knowledge required for a deeper understanding of European integration regarding the subject matter and operation of Community law for the EU as a legal community • understanding the peculiarities of supranational law in the multilevel constitutional law system of the EU <p>Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • acquisition of the ability to solve practical cases of EU law, classify new developments, and assess their relevance for EU law • acquisition of the ability to independently apply the acquired knowledge in the interdisciplinary courses that follow
Types of instruction	Lecture and seminar with accompanying case studies
Language of instruction	English
Prerequisites	None
Applicability of the module	Master of Laws / Master of Arts in European and European Legal Studies (LLM/MA)
Prerequisites for the successful completion of the module (this includes component examinations, as appropriate)	Written examination or electronic examination (120 to 180 min) and term paper (3 weeks)
Examination language	English
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits
Workload (total and divided into module components, as appropriate)	Mandatory attendance: 84 hours Independent study: 104 hours Examination preparation: 52 hours
Module frequency	Each winter semester

Duration	One semester
ECTS credits according to discipline (law/econ/pol)	8/0/0

Module G2	
Module Name	The EU as an Economic Community
Module type	Required module
Curriculum	<p>Content of this module is the economic advantages of a cross-border division of labor. Building on this, European integration in the form of a single market and economic and monetary union will be examined in order to assess to what extent it unlocks these advantages and which economic and political implications are associated with them. Furthermore, (economic) policy options will be dealt with that are available to the EU both internally and in other economic areas in order to successfully assert itself in regional competition and increase the prosperity of its citizens. More specifically the following will be addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • international division of labor theory • theory of integration and protection • typology of forms of integration, free trade area, customs union, etc. • common internal market theory and policy • economic and monetary union theory and policy • cohesion theory and policy • economic aspects of EU expansion and integration • causes and effects of globalization • theoretical foundations of system and regional competition • The EU and other economic blocs (NAFTA, MERCOSUR, Japan, China, India) • The EU in international organizations (WTO, IMF, World Bank, UN)
Objectives	<p>Learning results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • knowledge of the economic policy space and constraints for the EU and Member States that exist to safeguard a high level of employment, economic growth, and monetary stability in the common economic area • acquisition of the requisite overview of European integration from an economic theory perspective • theoretical and empirical knowledge of the globalization process and associated regional competition between the EU and other global economic areas <p>Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • acquisition of the ability to understand European integration as a process that through a deep integration of product and factor markets offers far-reaching economic benefits for citizens of the Member States • acquisition of the ability to assess the link between market integration and economic catch-up processes as well as the tension between EU expansion to include new Member States and further harmonization and centralization of economic and societal goals within the EU • acquisition of the ability to independently apply the acquired knowledge in the interdisciplinary courses that follow
Types of instruction	Lecture with accompanying case studies
Language of instruction	English
Prerequisites	None
Applicability of the module	Master of Laws / Master of Arts in European and European Legal Studies (LLM/MA)
Prerequisites for the successful completion of the module (this includes component examinations, as appropriate)	Written examination or electronic examination (240 to 300 min.)
Examination language	English
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits
Workload (total and divided into module components, as appropriate)	Mandatory attendance: 84 hours Independent study: 104 hours Examination preparation: 52 hours
Module frequency	Each winter semester
Duration	One semester
ECTS credits according to discipline (law/econ/pol)	0/8/0

Module G3	
Module Name	The EU as a Political Community
Module type	Required module
Curriculum	<p>This module deals with the historical and intellectual foundations of European integration. Individual stages of development of the European integration process from the phase after World War II to the present will be reviewed. The setup, institutional structure, and theory-driven interpretations and analytical concepts of the Community will be considered from a political science perspective. The analysis also focuses on the framework conditions under which the EU acts as a political actor internationally and pursues its interests in global competition. More specifically the following will be addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • political history of integration since the beginning of the modern age • start-up phase of the European Community • the stages in the European integration process • the structure, operation, and decision-making processes of European institutions • the theories and analytical concepts of European integration • federalism vs. functionalism, neofunctionalism vs. intergovernmentalism • governance in a European multi-level system • EU policies • causes and effects of globalization and (global) governance schemes • fundamentals of global system and regional competition • The EU in international organizations (WTO, IMF, World Bank, UN)
Objectives	<p>Learning results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • acquisition of the fundamental knowledge about the history, structure, and operation of the EU as a political community that is needed to gain a deeper understanding of European integration. • acquisition of a general overview of European integration from a political science perspective required for advanced study in the area of concentration • theoretical and empirical knowledge of the globalization process and regional competition between the EU and other global economic areas. • in-depth knowledge of relevant institutions and governance in a global context <p>Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • based on this fundamental knowledge, acquisition of the ability to interpret the decision-making processes as well as the stages of the integration process in a theory-guided manner and to apply them in the context of academic issues • acquisition of the ability to classify new political developments in the EU and assess their significance for the European multilevel system • acquisition of the ability to recognize courses of action for the EU and its Member States and to be able to advocate certain courses of action in specific situations • acquisition of the ability to independently apply the acquired knowledge in the interdisciplinary courses that follow
Types of instruction	Lecture and seminar with accompanying case studies
Language of instruction	English
Prerequisites	None
Applicability of the module	Master of Laws / Master of Arts in European and European Legal Studies (LLM/MA)
Prerequisites for the successful completion of the module (this includes component examinations, as appropriate)	Oral examination (15-30 min.) and written examination or electronic examination (180 to 240 min.)
Examination language	English
ECTS credits	8 ECTS credits
Workload (total and divided into module components, as appropriate)	Mandatory attendance: 88 hours Independent study: 102 hours Examination preparation: 50 hours
Module frequency	Each winter semester
Duration	One semester
ECTS credits according to discipline (law/econ/pol)	0/0/8

Module S1	
Module Name	Public International Law and the Political External Relations of the EU
Module type	Required module for area of concentration I
Curriculum	This module deals with the foundations of general and treaty-based international law as a framework and instrument of the EU's political foreign relations with non-EU countries and other subjects of international law. Furthermore, the historical development and value systems of the EU's foreign relations will be analysed on a theoretical basis. The characteristics of foreign policy competences and the content in the individual policy areas will be looked at separately.
Objectives	<p>Learning results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • acquisition of the necessary basic knowledge of international law as a framework and instrument of EU economic and political foreign relations • in-depth knowledge of the similarities and differences of the institutional law of the EU and traditional international organizations as well as the interaction with each other outside and within the United Nations system • understanding the substantive objectives of international law (in particular peacekeeping, human rights, sustainable development) in their importance for external action, but also for the internal policies of the EU • acquisition of the necessary basic knowledge of EU foreign relations, taking into account the most relevant policy areas and providing an overview of the division of competences between the EU and nation states together with the associated processes thereof. • acquisition of basic knowledge of the EU's bilateral relations with key strategic partners and/or competitors at global level <p>Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • acquisition of the ability to solve practical issues of international law and assess new developments and their relevance to international law and EU foreign relations • acquisition of the ability to solve practical EU foreign relations issues and to assess new developments and their significance and international law implications • acquisition of the theory-based ability to critically reflect on the EU's foreign policy actions and its role as a foreign policy actor
Types of instruction	Lecture with accompanying case studies
Language of instruction	English
Prerequisites	Successful completion of the foundational module
Applicability of the module	Master of Laws / Master of Arts in European and European Legal Studies (LLM/MA)
Prerequisites for the successful completion of the module (this includes component examinations, as appropriate)	Written examination or electronic examination (120 to 180 min.)
Examination language	English
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits
Workload (total and divided into module components, as appropriate)	Mandatory attendance: 40 hours Independent study: 54 hours Examination preparation: 26 hours
Module frequency	Every summer semester
Duration	One semester
ECTS credits according to discipline (law/econ/pol)	1.2/0/2.8

Module S2	
Module Name	External Economic Relations of the EU
Module type	Required module in area of concentration I
Curriculum	This module covers the EU's trade and association policy relations with non-EU countries and economic areas. The distribution of competences between the Union and the Member States and their institutions is an important subject of the analysis. Practical relevance is highlighted through the analysis of current practical issues.
Objectives	<p>Learning results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • knowledge of EU foreign economic policy objectives, strategies, institutions, instruments, and processes • understanding the EU's role as an economic policy actor in the globalized world and the external and internal impact of its policies, including the external dimension of other sectoral policies such as agriculture or environment • in-depth knowledge of the legal fundamentals and the actual organization of the EU's trade and association policies (free trade, accession, and development association) with European and non-European states and economic areas <p>Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • acquisition of the ability to assess the economic implications and effects of different forms of EU economic relations with non-EU countries and convey such to third parties in a clear and structured manner
Types of instruction	Lecture with accompanying case studies
Language of instruction	English
Prerequisites	Successful completion of the foundational module
Applicability of the module	Master of Laws / Master of Arts in European and European Legal Studies (LLM/MA)
Prerequisites for the successful completion of the module (this includes component examinations, as appropriate)	Written examination or electronic examination (120 to 180 min.)
Examination language	English
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits
Workload (total and divided into module components, as appropriate)	Mandatory attendance: 40 hours Independent study: 54 hours Examination preparation: 26 hours
Module frequency	Every summer semester
Duration	One semester
ECTS credits according to discipline (law/econ/pol)	1.6/2.4/0

Module S3	
Module Name	The EU in International Organisations
Module type	Required module in area of concentration I
Curriculum	This module deals with the basic principles of the law of international organizations as the framework and instruments of the EU's foreign relations. Furthermore, the organization and operation of the legal framework for international economic relations (GATT and WTO) along with its economic rationality will be discussed. Moreover, the legal and economic problems of the further development of the world trade order will be addressed, in particular in terms of how the EU can and should influence this development.
Objectives	<p>Learning results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • advanced knowledge of the law of international organizations • in-depth knowledge of the legal foundations, operation, and current developments of the world trade order • in-depth knowledge of the principles, rules, and mechanisms of the world trade order (GATT / WTO) • understanding the benefits of a global economic order for all countries and regions of integration and its significance for the EU and its Member States <p>Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ability to understand the EU's options for shaping its external economic policy under the current legal framework of the world trade order • acquisition of the ability to assess the EU's options and strategies and convincingly advocate for them in negotiations for the continued development of the world economic order
Types of instruction	Lecture with accompanying case studies
Language of instruction	English
Prerequisites	Successful completion of the foundational module
Applicability of the module	Master of Laws / Master of Arts in European and European Legal Studies (LLM/MA)
Prerequisites for the successful completion of the module (this includes component examinations, as appropriate)	Written examination or electronic examination (120 to 180 min.)
Examination language	English
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits
Workload (total and divided into module components, as appropriate)	Mandatory attendance: 40 hours Independent study: 54 hours Examination preparation: 26 hours
Module frequency	Every summer semester
Duration	One semester
ECTS credits according to discipline (law/econ/pol)	4/0/0

Module S4	
Module Name	Political External Relations of the EU
Module type	Required elective module in area of concentration I
Curriculum	The content of this module includes the EU's developmental policy relations with European and non-European countries and economic areas taking into account European expansion and neighborhood policies and their interdependencies and synergies. The legal aspects of the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP/CSDP) and the EU's (common) migration policy will also be covered. Practical relevance is highlighted through the analysis of current practical issues.
Objectives	<p>Learning results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understanding the importance of development and expansion policy as an instrument for the dissemination of European values and interests • reflection on the conflict of objectives between expanding political and economic integration and the current and future expansion of the Union • in-depth knowledge of the interaction of international, national, and local conflict constellations in developing and emerging countries • in-depth knowledge of the central terms and competing concepts of security policy • in-depth knowledge of institutions and foreign, security, and defense policy decision-making processes in the multilevel EU system • understanding the evolution of migration in Europe • advanced knowledge of the EU migration agenda <p>Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • acquisition of the ability to document and analyze strategic planning for foreign, development, and security policies • acquisition of the ability to solve practical cases of Union law, classify new developments, and assess their relevance for EU expansion and neighborhood policies • acquisition of the ability to analyze the differences, advantages, and disadvantages of the central terms and competing concepts of security policy • acquisition of the ability to assess the EU's internal and foreign policies within the framework of the common migration policy
Types of instruction	Lecture and seminar with accompanying case studies
Language of instruction	English
Prerequisites	Successful completion of the foundational module
Applicability of the module	Master of Laws / Master of Arts in European and European Legal Studies (LLM/MA)
Prerequisites for the successful completion of the module (this includes component examinations, as appropriate)	Term paper (2 to 3 weeks), presentation (15 to 30 min.) and written examination or electronic examination (60 to 120 min.)
Examination language	English
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits
Workload (total and divided into module components, as appropriate)	Mandatory attendance: 44 hours Independent study: 51 hours Examination preparation: 25 hours
Module frequency	Every summer semester
Duration	One semester
ECTS credits according to discipline (law/econ/pol)	0/0/4

Module S5	
Module Name	Capital Markets and Investment Law
Module type	Required elective module in area of concentration I, Required module in area of concentration II
Curriculum	The content of this module covers the various forms of financing of businesses as well as the entrepreneurial activities in an European and international context. The economic importance and the main regulatory structures of the European and international capital markets will be examined in addition to the economic motives and legal aspects of cross-border business activities.
Objectives	<p>Learning results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understanding the economic fundamentals of corporate finance through capital markets • understanding the economic operation of capital markets, including the role of financial intermediaries • knowledge of the legal forms of business finance • knowledge of the legal instruments for the integration of capital markets in the EU (free movement of capital and EU capital markets legislation) • overview of the many characteristics and drivers of economic activity and the impact of international business activities • overview of the empirical conditions • knowledge of the legal organizational forms available for the organization of international business activities (export and import contracts including purchase, transport, and insurance aspects; contractual distribution systems of agency contracts or agent contracts and authorized or licensed dealer contracts; and legal organizational forms of direct investment (formation or acquisition of foreign companies or enterprises) • overview of the basic structures of international investment protection and corresponding arbitration practice <p>Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • applying new skills to practical case examples • ability to independently address the issues associated with the relevant future development of practical application, legislation, and court decisions
Types of instruction	Lecture with accompanying case studies
Language of instruction	English
Prerequisites	Successful completion of the foundational module
Applicability of the module	Master of Laws / Master of Arts in European and European Legal Studies (LLM/MA)
Prerequisites for the successful completion of the module (this includes component examinations, as appropriate)	Written examination or electronic examination (60 to 120 min), term paper (2 to 3 weeks), and presentation (15 to 30 min.)
Examination language	English
ECTS credits	4 ECTS credits
Workload (total and divided into module components, as appropriate)	Mandatory attendance: 44 hours Independent study: 51 hours Examination preparation: 25 hours
Module frequency	Every summer semester
Duration	One semester
ECTS credits according to discipline (law/econ/pol)	3.6/0.4/0

Module PM	
Module Name	Practice module
Module type	Required module
Curriculum	<p>The content of this module will either be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an internship with an international company, organization, or institution—in particular from the European Union—or with a political body, research institution, or law firm where students are able to practically apply their knowledge and professional skills acquired in the program <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the participation in a practice-oriented simulation such as “moot court” or a simulated legislative process within the European multilevel system with the participation of practitioners from, for example, European institutions, administrative agencies, and/or independent professionals, <i>inter alia</i>.
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> supplement courses with practical knowledge required for the successful completion of the degree program promoting the skills needed for the successful application and deliberation of the acquired academic knowledge and methodologies in practice continued development of knowledge and understanding, as well as the ability to use problem-solving skills, even in new and unfamiliar situations contribution to the intensive coupling of theoretical knowledge and practical application in education acquisition of experience in handling presentation media acquisition of time management skills, teamwork, and the ability to research and present autonomously developed arguments
Types of instruction	Internship or practice-oriented simulation
Language of instruction	Language used at the location of the internship or language used for the simulation (English/German)
Prerequisites	Successful completion of the foundational module
Applicability of the module	Master of Laws / Master of Arts in European and European Legal Studies (LLM/MA)
Prerequisites for the successful completion of the module (this includes component examinations, as appropriate)	Written internship report or report on the practice-oriented simulation (five to ten pages)
Examination language	See language of instruction
ECTS credits	5 ECTS credits
Workload (total and divided into module components, as appropriate)	Mandatory attendance: 0 hours Independent study: 150 hours Examination preparation: 0 hours
Module frequency	Once a year
Duration	Four weeks
ECTS credits according to discipline (law/econ/pol)	0/0/0

Module MT	
Module Name	Master's thesis
Module type	Required module
Curriculum	The candidate must write a master's thesis and a reflection paper. The topic of the master's thesis should allow for an independent contribution to the subject matter of the degree program.
Objectives	The master's thesis must demonstrate the candidate's aptitude for independent scholarly work in the degree program field of study. The purpose of the reflection paper is for the candidate to reflect independently and critically on the working process and the cooperation with the supervisor in developing the topic and the central question of the master's thesis.
Types of instruction	Supervision of the master's thesis
Language of instruction	See examination language
Prerequisites	Successful completion of the foundational modules and regular attendance in the courses contained in the elective area of concentration
Applicability of the module	Master of Laws / Master of Arts in European and European Legal Studies (LLM/MA)
Prerequisites for the successful completion of the module (this includes component examinations, as appropriate)	Master's thesis (4 months) and reflection paper (6 weeks). The grade from the reflection paper shall amount to 15% of the overall grade for the master's thesis.
Examination language	German or English. Upon supervisor approval and assent from the admissions and examinations board another language may be used.
ECTS credits	15 ECTS credits
Workload (total and divided into module components, as appropriate)	Mandatory attendance: 0 hours Independent study: 450 hours Examination preparation: 0 hours
Module frequency	Each academic year
Duration	Four months
ECTS credits according to discipline (law/econ/pol)	0/0/0 Taking into account a candidate's area of concentration, the chair of the admissions and examinations board shall determine the subject matter of the thesis (law, economics, political science, or interdisciplinary studies). Candidates may present suggestions for topics.