

# SPECIALISE IN DATA LAW

## 1-YEAR LLM PROGRAMME IN BRUSSELS

**In today's society, data law is everywhere.** The arrival of GDPR, the growing EU involvement in cybersecurity, and the regulation of 'fake news' are but a few examples of its rapidly increasing importance. In order to help lawyers find solutions for new legal issues arising, the English-taught **LLM in International and European Law** (see other side for more information) now offers its students the opportunity to specialise in Data Law. The Data Law option can be chosen after a solid set of mandatory courses. It will allow you to obtain advanced knowledge on privacy and data protection law, but also a broader perspective on data-related policies of the European Union.



The Data Law option comprises **the following three courses:**

- **International and European data protection law (Prof. Christopher Kuner)**  
This course will prepare you to apply present International and European data protection law, and to be capable of thinking about, and adapting to, the evolution of such law in the future.
- **Data policies in the EU (Prof. Gloria González Fuster)**  
This course is structured around three major themes: the Digital Single Market, Cybersecurity and Cybercrime, and Information Exchange in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (AFSJ).
- **Case study on 'Global privacy and data protection law' (Prof. Joris Van Hoboken)**  
This course will immerse you in the role of privacy professionals by bringing you close to the work and perspectives of regulators, Data Protection Officers and civil society advocates. Classes will be interactive and engage with ongoing privacy developments through role-playing scenarios.

# LLM IN INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN LAW

The LLM in International and European Law of the Institute for European Studies (IES) at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB) is one of the longest-standing LLM programmes around. By following this programme, you will gain appropriate mastery of international and European law, as well as EU institutions, learning about them at the very heart of Europe.

## The programme in a nutshell

- 60 ECTS Advanced Master degree
- Running already for 46 years - one of the most esteemed of its kind
- 1-year programme
- Unique combination of international and European law
- Business law, public law and data law option
- Limited class size – high interaction
- Organised by a Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence in a city where many major law firms have a presence

## Who can apply?

To qualify for admission you need to have:

- a law degree (J.D., LLM or equivalent) that entitles you to practise law in your country of origin
- excellent academic results and references
- proven proficiency in English (see programme website for details).

Students are selected on the basis of their academic qualifications as well as work and other related experience.



## What can you study?

After a solid set of 8 core courses (30 credits) on EU institutional law and judicial protection, EU external relations law, EU economic law, public international and comparative law, human rights and competition law, students can choose to focus on one of 3 specialisation options (12 credits). You close off the programme with a Master's thesis (18 credits).



DATA LAW OPTION (NEW since 2018-19)

International and European Data Protection Law ▼ Data Policies in the European Union ▼  
Case Study on Global Privacy and Data Protection



PUBLIC LAW OPTION

Case Study on Public International/EU law ▼ EU Environmental Law in an International Context ▼  
International and European Criminal Law



BUSINESS LAW OPTION

Case Study on European Competition Law ▼ European and International Private Law ▼  
International and European Taxation

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