



NOVA  
UNIVERZA

EUROPEAN  
FACULTY OF LAW

Two-Year  
Postgraduate Study  
Programme



# LAW

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# ABOUT THE FACULTY



The European Faculty of Law, **member of the Nova univerza in Slovenia**, is an internationally recognised higher education institution whose mission is to create and disseminate knowledge in the field of law, the interdisciplinary field of law and management of infrastructure and real estate and alternative dispute resolution.

The Faculty is distinguished by **high quality study programmes, top academic staff, friendly professional services, linking of theory and practice and practical applicability of the acquired knowledge**. So as to be even more student-friendly, the Faculty introduced **e-learning** following the model of renowned international universities and following the trends of modern social development.

The Faculty also **cooperates with numerous similar institutions and other part-**

**ners** in the international community. It is a **holder** of the Erasmus university charter and **signatory to bilateral agreements that enable international exchange to students as well as academic and expert staff. The Faculty offers its best students academic exchange at the Mississippi College School of Law, Jackson, USA**. The first programme of its kind in Slovenia enables students to **take part in a student exchange programme in the USA** and after that directly enrol in the **master's programme offered by this American college**.



By facilitating and directing **active research work** of students and publishing their research findings in national and international journals, the Faculty and its graduates partake in the development of Slovenian legal sciences.

A diverse programme of extracurricular activities is ensured by the **Student Council** and the **ELSA Nova Gorica Law Students' Association**.

The school's advantage is its **Career Centre**, which offers career counselling to students and represents the connecting point between the Faculty, students and employers. The Career Centre enables the Faculty to stay connected with its graduates even after they complete their studies.



## ABOUT THE STUDY PROGRAMME



**The postgraduate study programme in Law is based on the principles of the Bologna Declaration. It relates to the university undergraduate study programmes in Law, and together they form a complete five-year study cycle. A student who completes the postgraduate study programme in Law can start the required traineeship and then take the state bar exam, provided they have previously completed a university study programme in Law worth 180 credits.**

Graduates of the postgraduate study programme in Law can continue their academic education by enrolling in

various postgraduate **doctoral programmes** that are based on theoretical and practical knowledge of law.



After fulfilling the requirements for the completion of the postgraduate study programme in Law, the student acquires the title of **Master of Law** (after the name and surname) with the abbreviation **LLM**.

The postgraduate study programme lasts **two years** or four semesters and is equivalent to **120 credits**. The first three semesters are intended for attending lectures, seminars and study workshops. The fourth semester is allocated for the preparation and defence of the Master's thesis, which is worth 30 credits.

**The price of the tuition fees** is comparable to that of programmes offered by other Faculties and is **€ 2,500.00** for an individual year of the study programme. Subject to prior agreement with the Faculty, tuition fees can be **paid in instalments**.

# CURRICULUM

## 1<sup>st</sup> YEAR

COURSE	CREDITS
Democratic and Rule-of-Law State	8
Welfare State in Theory and Practice	8
European Civil Law	8
Constitutional and International Criminal Law	8
Modernisation of Public Administration	8
Philosophy and Theory of Law	8
Elective course 1	6
Elective course 2	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>

## 2<sup>nd</sup> YEAR

COURSE	CREDITS
Comparative Law and Large Legal Systems	8
Constitutional and International Human Rights Law	8
The Constitutional System of the European Union	8
Elective course 3	6
Preparation and Defence of the Master's Thesis	30
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>

## ELECTIVE COURSES

COURSE	CREDITS
Ethics in Public Life	6
Comparative Constitutional Law	6
Civil Servants Law	6
Slovenian Security System	6
Canon Law of the Catholic Church	6
Tax Law	6
Mediation and Arbitration – Alternative Dispute Resolution	6
Minor Offence Law	6
Insolvency Law	6
Psychology 2	6
Writing Scientific and Professional Articles	6
International Anti-Corruption: Practical Applications	6


# ENROLMENT CRITERIA AND CONTINUATION OF STUDIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH TRANSFER CRITERIA



▶ **Enrolment in the first year of the postgraduate study programme in Law is available to candidates who have completed:**

- ▶ a. **a first cycle study programme in the relevant professional field** (Law (38));
- ▶ b. **a first cycle study programme in other professional fields** (Social Sciences (31) and Business and Administration (34)) and have acquired **at least 180 credits** and completed additional study obligations **worth 16 credits**. The candidates can complete the additional study obligations during their first cycle study or, prior to enrolling in this postgraduate study programme, by passing the exams for the following courses: Introduction to Jurisprudence (8 credits) and Criminal Law (8 credits);
- ▶ c. **a first cycle study programme in other professional fields** (all other ISCED fields) and have acquired **at least 180 credits** and completed additional study obligations **worth 24 credits**. The candidates can complete the additional study obligations during their first cycle study or, prior to enrolling in this postgraduate study programme, by passing the exams for the following courses: Introduction to Jurisprudence (8 credits), Criminal Law (8 credits) and Introduction to Civil Law (8 credits);
- ▶ d. **a study programme leading to a higher education degree in other professional fields** (Social Sciences (31) and Business and Administration (34)) that was adopted between 1 January 1994 and 11 June 2004 and have completed additional study obligations **worth 16 credits**. The candidates can complete the additional study obligations during their first cycle study or, prior to enrolling in this postgraduate study programme, by passing the exams for the following courses: Introduction to Jurisprudence (8 credits) and Criminal Law (8 credits);
- ▶ e. **a study programme leading to a higher education degree in other professional fields** (all other ISCED fields) that was adopted between 1 January 1994 and 11 June 2004 and have completed additional study obligations **worth 24 credits**. The candidates can complete the additional study obligations during their first cycle study or, prior to enrolling in this postgraduate study programme, by passing the exams for the following courses: Introduction to Jurisprudence (8 credits), Criminal Law (8 credits) and Introduction to Civil Law (8 credits).

Enrolment requirements are also met by candidates who have completed an equivalent study abroad.

 **If a decision on limited enrolment is adopted, candidates will be chosen with regard to:**

- the average grade of undergraduate studies – up to 60% of points (every one tenth of the candidate's average grade above 5.0 represents one point);
- the grade for the diploma thesis – up to 40% of points (every grade above 5.0 represents one point).

This is subject to the decision of the Study Affairs Committee.

The Faculty also enables the continuation of studies and enrolment in chosen study programmes in accordance with transfer criteria. Information on the **continuation of studies in accordance with transfer criteria** is available to candidates at the Faculty.

## STUDY MODE

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-  The postgraduate study programme in Law is implemented as **full-time (with concession)** or **part-time (without concession)** study.
-  Lectures are organised in the morning and afternoon in two locations, i.e. in **Nova Gorica** and in **Ljubljana**.
-  Studies at the European Faculty of Law are primarily focused on ensuring high-quality expertise and applicable knowledge and skills that serve graduates and employers alike as added value in the labour market and in employment.

Following the model of renowned international universities, the Faculty introduced **e-learning**, where the student does not come to the teacher but instead the teacher comes to the student. This study mode represents an exceptional opportunity for people who do not feel comfortable with the conventional study mode. The main advantages of e-learning are the **flexibility of the study process** and the possibility to **adapt it to the individual's needs**. It is suitable for students who find it difficult to attend lectures due to distance to the place of study and for **employed students** and **students with special needs**.

# ACCREDITED STUDY PROGRAMMES

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The Faculty implements the following study programmes:

**a) First cycle (Bachelor programmes):**

**Law** (three-year university undergraduate study programme in Law);

**Law and Management of Infrastructure and Real Estate** (three-year professional higher education study programme in Law and Management of Infrastructure and Real Estate);

**b) Second cycle (Master's Programmes):**

**Law** (two-year postgraduate study programme in Law);

**Law and Management of Real Estate** (two-year postgraduate study programme in Law and Management of Real Estate);

**Alternative Dispute Resolution** (two-year postgraduate study programme in Alternative Dispute Resolution);

**Civil and Commercial Law** (two-year postgraduate study programme in Civil and Commercial Law);

**c) Third cycle (PhD Programmes):**

**Law** (three-year doctoral programme in Law);

**Law and Management of Real Estate** (three-year doctoral programme in Law and Management of Real Estate).

Together, the study programmes form an integral whole. The three-year university undergraduate study programme in **Law** provides students with knowledge of law and is intended for employment in conventional legal professions. The three three-year professional higher education study programme in **Law and Management of Infrastructure and Real Estate** is intended for all who wish to acquire fundamental knowledge in interdisciplinary sciences from the fields of law and management of infrastructure and real estate.

**Both undergraduate study programmes enable enrolment in two-year postgraduate study programmes** in Law, Law and Management of Real Estate, Alternative Dispute Resolution and Civil and Commercial Law **and further in three-year doctoral programmes** in Law or Law and Management of Real Estate.

More information about the study programmes is available from the Faculty's website at [www.evro-pf.si](http://www.evro-pf.si) and [www.nova-uni.si](http://www.nova-uni.si).



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