

Course Catalog 2023-2024

Title of Program : Master of International Business Law

Program Code	Code: 5-MA-IBLW
Level	Graduate
Credits and Duration	120 credits taken over 4 semesters
Delivery Language	English

Academic Calendar



Postgraduate Academic Calendar 2023-2024

August 2023

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31 Aug Orientation Day
Click here for first day of classes information

September 2023

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26 Sep Prophet's Birthday
Click here for first day of classes information

October 2023

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November 2023

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December 2023

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1 Dec Commemoration Day
2-3 Dec UAE National Day
4-8 Dec Revision Week
11 Dec-1 Jan Winter Break

January 2024

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3-11 Jan Exams Semester 1
15 Jan Semester 2 Begins
Note: please check your schedule with your academic programme coordinator

February 2024

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March 2024

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18 Mar Start of the Holy Month of Ramadan
25 Mar-12 Apr Spring Break

April 2024

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9-12 Apr Eid Al Fitr

May 2024

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3 May End of classes
6-10 May Revision week
13-22 May Exams Semester 2

June 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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16 Jun Arafat's Day
17-19 Jun Eid Al Adha
20-30 Jun Catch-up exams

End of Academic Year 2023-2024
30 September 2024

Program Overview

In today's dynamic business environment, skilled experts well versed in a multitude of legal principles and international governance play a vital role. Traditional legal systems are becoming gradually complex owing to rapid globalization that demands proficient lawyers with an international perspective. This degree will enhance student's international outlook and provide a substantial analysis of business issues, multi-jurisdictional and regulation of trade in goods, services and capital. Students will learn the fundamentals of International Business including arbitration, contracts, finance, comparative law, intellectual property law, taxation and competition law. The unique curriculum combines theoretical and practical approaches to ensure that students will emerge as accomplished thinkers and problem solvers who will add value in complex international business transactions.

The first year of the curriculum focuses on the integral aspects of business law including corporate law, international tax law, banking law, intellectual property, international trade law and the European market. The second year focuses on the interplay of economic, financial and social forces. Students will gain insight into international business practice including arbitration, contracts, finance, commercial law and legal Business English. Students will master legal reasoning and hone their ability to sustain a debate as well as refine public speaking skills, evaluation, negotiations and decision-making. Students will sharpen their expertise in litigation, particularly those related to international arbitration proceedings. Through constant interaction with peers, students will boost their network and ability to work as part of a team.

Learning Outcomes / Objectifs de la formation

PLO 1	Compare between the regulatory philosophy and core principles in continental Europe and the Anglo-American world; the various legal models of the world.
PLO 2	Deepen the knowledge and ensure a solid mastering of basic legal concepts and transactions necessary in international business. Introduce students to new legal tools and topics.
PLO 3	Develop skills which are necessary for lawyers intervening in international business transactions such as legal research, drafting, team work, presentation and communication.
PLO 4	Develop the capacity to articulate rules from different areas of the law in order to identify the main legal issues that need to be addressed and assess the value of various legal solutions and strategies.
PLO 5	Have expert, specialized cognitive and technical skills to demonstrate autonomy, judgment, adaptability and responsibility as a practitioner in the field of international business law. Debate legal arguments and prepare legal reasoning.

Program Structure / Structure de la Formation

Master 1 Semester 1			
UE	Course Name	Credits	Date
UE 1	Company Law - general principles and UAE practice	7	20-30Nov
UE 2	Advanced contract law	7	11-22Sep
UE 3	Insolvency Law	4	13-17Nov 4-8Dec
UE 4	Law of the European Internal Market	4	16-27Oct
UE 5	Common Law - Contract, Tort and Trust	4	30Oct-10Nov
UE 6	International and EU tax law	4	2-13Oct

Master 1 Semester 2			
UE	Course Name	Credits	Date
UE 1	Private International Law	7	5-16Feb
UE 2	Banking Law	7	4-15Mar
UE 3	International Trade Law	4	8-19Jan
UE 4	European Business Law	4	22Jan-2Feb
UE 5	Intellectual property Law	4	18-29Mar
UE 6	Public Business Law	4	19Feb-1Mar

Master 2 Semester 3 – International Law International Relations and Diplomacy			
UE	Course Name	Credits	Date
UE 1	The Law of International Contracts	9	25Sep-6Oct
UE 2	International Commercial Arbitration	9	5-9Feb 26-29Feb
UE 3	International tax law	6	20-30Nov
UE 4	Intellectual property law	3	19-27Oct
UE 5	Business law in the Middle East	2	9-13Oct
UE 6	Moot court, arbitration and dispute resolution	1	11-15Mar

Master 2 Semester 4 - International Law International Relations and Diplomacy			
UE	Course Name	Credits	Date
UE 1	International financial law	2	6-17Nov
UE 2	ADGM Regulations	1	15-26Apr
UE 4	Investment law	3	18-22Mar
UE 5	Merges and acquisitions	3	4-8Mar
UE 8	Competition law	4.5	22Jan-2Feb
UE 9	Comparative commercial law	4.5	12-23Feb
UE 10	International transport law	3	15-19Jan
UE 11	Master Thesis or Internship Report	9	October 2024

Course Details / Description des cours

Course Title & Code	Advanced contract law – LAW565
Instructor	Pr. Luc Grynbaum
Date	11Sep-22Sep
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	7
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	1
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	<p>The class focuses on the main characteristics of the general rules on contract law making an analysis and a comparison between AEU 1985 Law, French Law and Common Law.</p> <p>The class is a class in comparative law with a French Law basis. However, references are made to Emirati Federal Law. These references are based on the English translation of the Federal Law n° 5 of 1985 concerning Civil Transactions. Several other UAE Law are also quoted about commercial transactions, Consumer Law or contract by electronic means</p> <p>The purpose of the class is to introduce students to the main issues involved in contract law. It is not aimed at training them at being technical experts in the field. Rather, it aims at giving them an understanding of the main forces that shape contract law. The purpose is for the student to understand that the UAE contract has been inspired by Civil Law, Common Law and Shari'ah. Then they discover that the essential elements of contract are quite the same in each system.</p>
Evaluation	Oral evaluation – 50% class participation – 50%

Course Title & Code	International and EU tax law – LAW602
Instructor	Mr. Thomas Vanhee
Date	2Oct-13Oct
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	4
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	<p>EU Tax Law - This course provides an introduction to the Tax law of the European Union and an overview of fundamental concepts applied to taxation in all countries which are members of the European Union. Topics include Introduction to the EU and its fiscal competencies, How the EU makes tax-related decisions, the EU's competences related to tax, EU legal instruments related to companies, and personal taxation.</p> <p>International Tax Law - This course covers the concepts and theories related to International Taxation. The course will provide an insightful analysis of how domestic rules interact with the application of Tax</p>

	<p>Treaties and the OECD Model Tax Convention. Special regards will be given to UAE International Tax Law. The course includes a discussion of (i) Tax Treaty interpretation; (ii) Taxes covered by the Treaty; (iii) Persons entitled to claim treaty benefits; (iv) allocation rules on single items of income and, namely, business profits, immovable property income, capital gains, dividend, interest and royalties, employment income, other income; (v) elimination of double taxation; (vi) exchange of information, MAP and assistance in tax claim recovery. The course will include the study of the MLI and impact on existing treaties, the OECD, and the EU approach against tax avoidance and evasion. The course will bring into focus regional aspects as well, as the last two sessions are geared towards regional tax systems in the GCC, all the while drawing comparisons with more mature tax systems.</p>
Evaluation	<p>Essay – 50% Written evaluation – 50%</p>

Course Title & Code	Law of the European Internal Market - LAW567
Instructor	Pr. Julia Motte-Baumvol
Date	16Oct-27Oct
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	4
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	1
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	<p>This course covers the concepts and theories related to the Law of the European Union Internal Market. The course includes the study of the four main freedoms (free movement of goods, persons, services and capital) and of the EU competition law. These different elements of the European Union Internal Market will be studied through EU treaties, EU secondary-law and case-law of the European courts. Their daily impact on EU trade, investment and on citizenship will also be discussed.</p>
Evaluation	Continuous assessment

Course Title & Code	Common Law - Contract, Tort and Trust – LAW601
Instructor	Dr. Hassan Mohamed
Date	30Oct-10Nov
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	4
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	1
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	<p>This course is designed to provide a brief survey of the common law in three major areas: Contracts, Torts and Trusts. Given the breadth of these core areas, only selected topics will be covered.</p> <p>Contracts: the basic elements to form an enforceable contract (offer, acceptance, consideration, intention to create legal relations, certainty,</p>

	and capacity) and related issues. Torts: the elements of the tort of negligence and related issues; intentional torts (including, trespass to land, battery, assault, and false imprisonment) and related defenses. Trusts: the interrelationship between equity and trusts; the formation and constitution of express trusts.
Evaluation	Case studies – 60% MCQs – 40%

Course Title & Code	Insolvency Law – LAW-556
Instructor	Mr. Jade Al Araoui
Date	13Nov-17Nov & 4Dec-8Dec
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	4
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	1
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	This course is part of Business Law. It includes the study of the different measures and proceedings that may or must be used by distressed entrepreneurs in order to prevent insolvency or, when in trouble, be able to build a restructuring plan or, if impossible, sell or terminate the business and pay the creditors as much as possible. Although the course is mainly built on French law and the situation of debtors located in France, it is more as a reference and thinking model that it is useful, as the insolvency law meets legal policy imperatives common to many systems. Furthermore, French law meets the objectives of harmonisation of European law, further enhanced by the transposition in September 2021 of the Restructuring and Insolvency Directive of 20 June 2019.
Evaluation	Continuous assessment

Course Title & Code	Company Law - general principles and UAE practice – LAW575
Instructor	Pr. Philippe Didier
Date	20Nov-30Nov
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	7
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	1
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	“Companies”, as they are known in British English, or “Corporations”, as they are known in American English, are a big part of today’s business life. From giants such as Amazon or Microsoft to a local restaurant or deli, most business undertakings fall into the category. Whatever the size, the line of business or the way they are managed, most business organizations, as long as they are larger than a family shop are companies. As a starter, we could say that studying company law is basically

	<p>studying what are the legal tools that exist to allow people to create, run and grow a business which is beyond the size of the lone shopkeeper. As such, companies are the most important actors of business life. In other classes, you learn how businesses interact one with another through contracts, how they are allowed to enjoy freedoms in the EU space, and also what can be done when they fail.</p> <p>In this class, you will learn how the Law has developed several legal tools tailored for the needs of businessmen in order to create, run and grow their business.</p> <p>These needs are the same all over the world. They derive directly from what is a business. But the answer to these needs vary in every legal systems.</p> <p>In the UAE, which is an international hub of the world trade, it is important to understand the main forces that shape the modern law of business organizations: You'll deal with partners from all over the world. Each one being set up and working within its own organizational framework. It is important for you to be able to accompany them in making binding agreements as well as in helping them raise the money they need to grow.</p> <p>At a superior level, studying company law is studying the main driving force of economic development.</p> <p>In this class, you will analyze company law provisions in order to examine and question the main forces at play in the field. Based on that analytical work, you will be induced into developing the ability to appraise and design efficient legal solutions.</p> <p>The degree you are enrolled into is a degree in French Law, as such French Law plays a major role. However, the approach is a comparative perspective. This comparative approach is especially important in the UAE context.</p> <p>Federal Emirati Law on companies is heavily influenced by French Law. It shares concepts and methods with it. By studying French Law, you deepen your understanding of the Emirati Federal Law. However, not all companies operating from the UAE are governed by Federal Law. The UAE has several Free zones which allows the incorporation of companies. Those companies are not governed by Federal law but by ad hoc law of the Free zone. Most of those specific laws are heavily influenced by English Law.</p> <p>As a lawyer, you must be prepared to work with different statutes, inspired by different legal traditions.</p>
Evaluation	<p>Home assignment (each student has a different topic) – 40% each</p> <p>In class test – 40%</p> <p>Discussion during lectures – 20%</p>

Course Title & Code	International Trade Law – LAW553
Instructor	Pr. Caroline Le Goffic
Date	8Jan-19Jan
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	4
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	<p>International commercial law is composed of the rules that govern the international relations that are established between the actors of international trade.</p> <p>The course covers the concept and theories related to the sources (national and international sources, public and private sources) and the methods of international commercial law.</p> <p>The course will include study of the World Trade Organization, international business contracts, international companies and the settlement of international trade disputes.</p>
Evaluation	Continuous assessment

Course Title & Code	European Business Law – LAW569
Instructor	Pr. Rafael Amaro
Date	22Jan-2Feb
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	4
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	<p>This course covers the concepts and theories related to European Business Law, especially the rules framing competition in the EU internal market applicable to private undertakings.</p> <p>It extends to French provisions mirroring the EU provisions.</p> <p>The course will include study of the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A general presentation of European Business Law - The interactions between EU competition law, the “four freedoms” of the internal market and Environmental law - Common notions of EU competition law - Prohibition of agreements in restraint of trade - Prohibition of abuse of a dominant position - The Private and public enforcement of European Business Law in EU and Domestic courts <p>It is to be noted that each topic will include a deep analysis of recent or land-mark cases brought to EU or domestic courts. For instance, when dealing with the four freedoms of the internal market, the “Bosman judgement” issued by the ECJ will be studied, when dealing with</p>

	abuses of a dominant position, the “Google cases” adjudicated by the European Commission will be analysed.
Evaluation	Continuous assessment

Course Title & Code	Private International Law – LAW515
Instructor	Pr. Olivera Boskovic
Date	5Feb-16Feb
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	7
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	This course covers the concepts and theories related to private international law. It includes a discussion of the main mechanisms used in this field, such as characterization, renvoi, overriding mandatory rules or the public policy exception. It also includes the study of jurisdiction and choice of law rules pertaining to family law (marriage, divorce, matrimonial property regimes, succession) as well as the law of obligations (international contracts and torts). Many international conventions and European regulations on jurisdiction or choice of law are examined. Some insight in the differences of approach in civil law and common law countries is also given.
Evaluation	Class assignment – 50% Final written evaluation – 50%

Course Title & Code	Public Business Law – LAW568
Instructor	Pr. Thomas Pez
Date	19Feb-1Mar
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	4
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	1
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	Studying Public Business Law helps to understand the legal framework set by public authorities to economic activities. Business law is enriched by public law. Public law principles, particularly constitutional principles, are foundational to understanding any economic activity and provide the ground on which businesses may thrive. The course deals with State interventions in the business sector. Comparisons are drawn between the legal system of France and the European Union and the regulations of the United Arab Emirates, specially of Abu Dhabi and Dubai. The course will include study of the following topics: - Right to Property - Freedom of Enterprise - Freedom of Trade and Industry

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Principle of Equality and Economic Activities - Principle of Legal Certainty and Economic Activities - Public Regulations of the Economy, Sectoral Regulatory Authorities - Public Sector, Public Operators, Nationalizations, Privatizations - State Aids
Evaluation	Written exam consisting in answering 2 or 3 questions – the end of the course - 100%

Course Title & Code	Banking Law – LAW717
Instructor	Pr. Michel Sejean
Date	4Mar-15Mar
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	7
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	This course is dedicated to international financial contracts and the legal environment of these contracts. This course covers the guarantees and financial contracts used to finance international trade and the question of money. The analyses are done not only from an economical point of view but also with a legal perspective. A comparative approach is developed (French, English, American, UAE Laws). The essential elements relating to the negotiation of these contracts and to the main clauses of the agreements are discussed. The orientation of this course is theoretical and practical.
Evaluation	Continuous assessment

Course Title & Code	Intellectual Property Law
Instructor	Pr. Caroline Le Goffic
Date	18Mar-29Mar
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	7
Level	Graduate- Master 1
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	36h
Course Description	<p>This course covers the concepts and theories related to IP Law. The course includes a discussion of the French IP system and a comparison with the US and European system. The course will include an overview of the various IP rights (Patents, Trade Marks, Copyright, Neighboring rights), the rights they give to their owners and also the way to protect them.</p> <p>Because, in our days IP rights are not national anymore, it's important to understand the basic principles which apply internationally. The European IP law is also essential to have a good understanding of actual preoccupations. In a digital world, the way to protect IP rights is necessarily different. At least, we'll discuss on practical cases to</p>

	improve all the principles we present during the course.
Evaluation	Class participation – 20% The final exam – 80%

Second year
Semester 1

Course Title & Code	The Law of International Contracts – LAW507
Instructor	Pr. Olivera Boskovic Dr. Karen Seif
Date	Week 25Sep – 29Sep – Pr. Olivera Boskovic Week 2Oct-6Oct - Dr. Karen Seif Week 30Oct-3Nov - Pr. Olivera Boskovic
Course Format	3-week mission
Credits	9
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	1
Contact Hours	50h
Course Description	<p>This course covers some of the fundamental issues that arise under international contracts in global business transactions. Throughout the class, we will touch on the overall goals of (private) international law, and harmonization. The approach is international and comparative, with particular emphasis on the CISG, the european regime and the UN treaties and model laws on international contracts. The aim of the course is to provide broad comparative knowledge, through examples from both common and civil law countries. Where applicable, we will use practical examples and exercises to learn the strategic thinking and essential expertise for international lawyers. The class is interactive, with lots of student participation.</p> <p>The main points addressed in class are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International contractual litigation; distinction between litigation in state courts and arbitration - State rules and European rules on jurisdiction. Regulation n°1215/2012 on jurisdiction, recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments in civil and commercial matters. Comparison with US rules for out of state and foreign defendants and US rules on recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments. - Choice of court agreements - The law applicable to international contracts. Texts on the law applicable to international contracts and in particular regulation n° 593/2008 on the law applicable to contractual obligations (Rome I). - The importance and the application of international mandatory rules in the field of contracts. - Some specific contracts : international sale of goods, employment contracts, insurance contracts etc. <p>The course aims to familiarize students with the theoretical and practical challenges associated with international contracts. Students will learn to identify and apply fundamental treaties on international contracts. The expected outcomes are :</p>

	<p>In terms of knowledge</p> <p>1- Knowledge of the main international instruments pertaining to jurisdiction and applicable law in the field of international contracts</p> <p>2- Knowledge of main rules on jurisdiction and applicable law in matters relating to contracts</p> <p>3-Knowledge of the implications of national mandatory rules for international contracts</p> <p>4-Main rules on the international sale of goods</p> <p>5-Rules applicable to certain specific contracts</p> <p>In terms of method</p> <p>6-Articulation of conflict of law rules and substantial rules</p> <p>7-Determination of the scope of application of various international instruments</p> <p>8-Ability to give a relevant opinion on case studies involving international contracts</p> <p>9-Ability to draft dispute resolution and choice of law clauses</p> <p>The second part of the course expands the breadth of students' critical thinking as lawyers in a globalized world. It highlights the comparative aspect of international contracts, by focusing on international business transactions from the perspective of the American federal legal system. Following a brief introduction to the US common law legal system, students will learn how the US common law system approaches legal issues in practical terms, by studying and analyzing American concepts of jurisdiction in international contexts. Through class discussions, students will dissect judgments from the Supreme Court of the United States that deal with international contracts. As part of the learning outcomes, students learn both the substance of American law on the topic, as well as the difference between the American approach compared to the French and European approaches. The course will also cover the UN Convention on the Sale of Goods, and critically evaluate its application for the future of sales transactions on the blockchain. Finally, we will examine the various non-establishment forms of business, and their main characteristics. The class is taught like it would be in a US law school, using the Socratic method to draw student participation and encourage discussion and debate on key points.</p>
Evaluation	- Final exam (Case studies) – 100%

Course Title & Code	Business Law in the Middle East – LAW599
Instructor	Mr. Alain Zahlan de Cayetti
Date	9Oct-13Oct
Course Format	1-week mission
Credits	2
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	1
Contact Hours	18h
Course Description	This course covers the main principles of Business Law in the Middle East with a strong focus on the practice in the United Arab Emirates.

	<p>The course aims at reinforcing M2 students' knowledge in commercial and companies' mechanisms by adopting a legal approach. Considering the duration of the course, the presentation is pedagogic and aims at bringing a new perspective on certain legal concepts. It takes into the students' presumed acquired knowledge of fundamentals in civil and commercial law.</p> <p>The course comprises developments as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Commercial transactions in the Middle East in light of Civil, Common and Islamic laws; -Companies' laws, exploring the UE regulations and recent changes (free zones and mainland companies, private/public companies); -Definition, transparency and ethics in corporate governance; -Public registry, audit obligations, economic substance regulations (ESR), declarations of ultimate beneficiary ownership (UBO), etc.; -Banking in the Middle East and transparency in financial transactions; -Treatment of VAT in the Middle East (fundamentals); -Stock, bonds and options – Fundamentals in stock markets in the Middle East with emphasis on ADGM and DIFC
Evaluation	Final exam – 100%

Course Title & Code	Intellectual Property Law – LAW521
Instructor	Pr. Caroline Legoffic
Date	19Oct-27Oct
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	3
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	1
Contact Hours	25h
Course Description	This course covers the rules governing intellectual property law in the European Union. The course includes a presentation of the IP system globally, in relation with fundamental principles of EU law. The course will also include a study of specific aspects of copyright, related rights, trademarks and patents.
Evaluation	Final exam – 100%

Course Title & Code	International Financial Law -LAW533
Instructor	Mr. Alain Zahlan de Cayetti
Date	6Nov-17Nov
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	2
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	1
Contact Hours	35h
Course Description	The lecture covers the main principles of international financial law, aiming at reinforcing M2 students' knowledge in cross-border financial

	<p>mechanisms adopting a legal approach rather than mathematical. Given the duration of the course, the presentation is pedagogic and aims at bringing a new perspective on certain legal concepts including the ones of jurisdiction and conflict of laws. It takes into the students' presumed acquired knowledge of international law.</p> <p>The course comprises developments as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - legal definition of a financial assets (and credit), being the essence and the subject matter in international law. Several examples of assets and credits are set out, including traditional assets (moveable, immoveable and financial). A major description of the impact of cryptocurrencies is developed with a practical impact on financial markets and law; - adaptation to international finance of the traditional concepts of conflict of laws and jurisdictions. These two sections are developed and illustrated to cover the main jurisdictions which have a major influence in international finance. In a sectorial approach, the UAE's business centers (DIFC, ADGM and the role of sovereign funds, in particular) illustrate the importance of the role the UAE has in regional and international financial hub. Examples are mentioned with regards to the EU, US and Swiss international measures and treaties; - A development of the impact of the international Insolvency regulations on international financial law (asset's freezing, bankruptcy main impacts on international finance, including on accountancy, securities or access to new financing). The UAE's insolvency regulations are also set out in that respect as part of the UAE's participation in global finance regulations. Examples of Lehman Brothers and Barings are set out. - Description of the international financial policies and conduct of international business. This section mentions the main regulators whether States, regional and institutional (stock exchange, banks), as well as their competencies. The conduct of international finance is based on regulations which are set out to the students, pertaining to the 4-eyes mechanism, know-your-client, duty of care, mechanism of confidentiality, conflict of interests, Chinese walls, prohibition of insider trading and other forms of market abuse (including misrepresentations or manipulations). A section is dedicated to the new regulations and mechanisms relating to whistleblowing. <p>Finally, we would describe the main mechanisms in international financial law and relating, in particular, to the syndicated bank loans, bonds' financing (characteristics and issues), special purpose finance (including international private equity, project finance, trusts, derivatives and securitization)</p>
Evaluation	Final exam – 100%

Course Title & Code	International Tax Law – LAW509
Instructor	Dr. Karina Haum

Date	20Nov-30Nov
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	6
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	1
Contact Hours	35h
Course Description	The course provides an introduction to the concept of taxation and its application in the international context. It discusses the key elements of international taxation, how they developed historically and the issues with their application today. The course also addresses ongoing initiatives to change current international tax concepts. The course includes a discussion of enforcement issues.
Evaluation	Final exam – 100%

Semester 2

Course Title & Code	International transportation law – LAW522
Instructor	Dr. Jean-Michel Morniere
Date	15Jan-19Jan
Course Format	1-week mission
Credits	3
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	18h
Course Description	This course covers the concepts and theories related to international transportation law. 2021 has shown more than ever what is the impact of international transport on world trade and people's life. The Suez Canal blockade by the grounded Evergiven vessel in April 2021 or the Yantian Port Covid confinement in June 2021 have caused in few days world supplies disruptions impacting world economies. The course includes a discussion on the evolution on international conventions related to the topic as well as a discussion on the evolution of the contractual practices, including in a post SARS-Cov2 pandemic context. The course includes study of international laws that apply to transport by air, land and sea but also to multimodal transport and logistics for the supply chain. Transport and logistics are key elements driving UAE's growing economy. The role of DP World, as a leading terminal operator around the world, the roles of Etihad and Emirates, as world leading airlines and the international roles of infrastructures such as Jebel Ali and Khalifa ports or Al Maktoum, Dubai and Abu Dhabi airports and their associated logistics free zones underline the importance of acquiring a working knowledge of transportation law when dealing with the business environment of the UAE, the GCC wider region, the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and the world. Last, every aspect of transport law is nowadays impacted by sustainable development and environmental policies and the course covers these aspects.
Evaluation	Final exam – 100%

Course Title & Code	Competition Law – LAW523
Instructor	Mrs. Natasha Tardif
Date	23Jan-1Feb
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	4.5
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	35h
Course Description	The objective of this course is to introduce students to key concepts regarding European Competition Law such as anticompetitive agreements, horizontal and vertical; abuse of dominance merger control and State Aid. In addition, specific procedures will be covered i.e. negotiated procedures; dawn raids and calculation of fines.
Evaluation	Final exam – 100%

Course Title & Code	International Commercial Arbitration
Instructor	Mr. Jose Maria-Perez Mr. John Gaffaney
Date	5Feb-9Feb & 26Feb-1Mar
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	9
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	35h
Course Description	Part 1 This course covers the key concepts of international commercial arbitration. It includes a discussion of the essential steps of an international commercial arbitration proceeding, its legal underpinnings and its practical implications (preliminary issues & the notion of arbitration, agreement to arbitrate, arbitral proceedings, arbitral award, recent developments. Part 2 This course covers the concepts and theories related to international commercial arbitration. This course includes a discussion of international legal framework. The course will include study of the UAE legal framework for international commercial arbitration, UAE offshore/free-zone arbitration laws and the different institutional arbitral rules applicable in the UAE.
Evaluation	Final written evaluation – 100%

Course Title & Code	Comparative commercial law – LAW559
Instructor	Dr. Anthony Chamboredon
Date	12Feb-23Feb
Course Format	2-week mission

Credits	4.5
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	35h
Course Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The goal of this seminar is to use comparative law methodologies to deepen our knowledge of the various legal models interacting in international commercial law. •Among the most prevailing legal models, the Anglo-American models plays an increasing part in international businesses. So we will first provide a comparative insight of the English tradition as the “alma mater” of the Anglo-American Common Law models (Part I). •Then we would like to get an overview of two determining aspects in business law, the main tool, contracts, and the main user, ie., companies. •To do so, we will focus on some specific English Common Law requirements in the contract negotiations, and see from a comparative view point the construction of the pre-contractual liability (Part II). Then we will have a comparative insight of corporate law (III) to illustrate how foreign legal models may interact by looking at the new United Arab Emirates corporate law (Part IV).
Evaluation	Final exam – 100%

Course Title & Code	Mergers and acquisitions – LAW535
Instructor	Pr. Philippe Didier
Date	4Mar-8Mar
Course Format	1-week mission
Credits	3
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	18h
Course Description	<p>In the class of Company law in M1, you studied how businesses are legally structured through their incorporation. However, it is in the nature of things that these companies (meaning both partnerships and corporations) change hands. This class is specifically devoted to this operation : the transfer the control of an business.</p> <p>Actually, the plural must be used because there is not one way to achieve the transfer of control but rather several ways. It can be achieved through the sale of a block of shares, through a takeover bid, through the sale of the assets of the company of through a merger. This class covers all theses subjects. Additionally, it delve on the techniques used to raise the money that is needed to acquire a company (LBO finance)</p> <p>The class relies heavily on prior knowledge in several fields of the law. In particular, it is expected that students are comfortable with :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the concept of corporate entity (or legal personality as it is sometimes known) ; - the concept of joint-stock company and its internal organization; - the concept of share;

	<p>- the concepts of loan, interests, benefit and dividends; In the same way, a knowledge of contract law is required. If you do not not feel comfortable with any of these subjects, you should catch up on your own, by additional readings. The purpose of the class is to make you aware of the key legal issues that are involved when dealing with this kind of operations. The class is intended to help you improve your ability to frame legal questions and hence to find relevant legal answers. Ultimately, you will be able to adapt to differing and changing laws in a global context. The class is a class in French law as is the diploma. However, references are also made to Emirati Federal Laws, more specifically to the Federal Law No. 2/2015, issued on 25/03/2015 (Corresponding to 5 Jumada Al-Thani 1436 H) On Commercial Companies (which has replaced the Law on trading companies of 1984), the Law on commercial transactions of 1993 and the Law on civil transactions of 1985. The class is structured in lectures, each one focusing on a particular issue, fundamental for the understanding of the process of mergers and acquisitions.</p>
Evaluation	Final exam – 100%

Course Title & Code	Moot court, arbitration and dispute resolutions – LAW603
Instructor	Mrs. Karima Gassem
Date	11Mar-15Mar
Course Format	1-week mission
Credits	1
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	15h
Course Description	Place students in professional situation and prepare them to legal career Help students analyse legal topics and work on its research Help students know how a real court works, the importance of dress and adequate behavior and language Help students develop their confidence in themselves Developp analytical skills developp ability to think critically and argue
Evaluation	Oral evaluation in the court – 100%

Course Title & Code	Investment Law – LAW536
Instructor	Pr. David Chekroun
Date	18Mar-22Mar
Course Format	1-week mission
Credits	3
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	18h
Course Description	International investments play an important role in economy, as well as international relations. They have significant impact on development of

	countries, environment and communities. States increasingly regulate various aspects of such investments both by national laws and by entering into bilateral and multilateral treaties. International investment law is made up of laws governing protection of foreign investment, thousands of treaties and hundreds of awards. This course is designed to provide the students with comprehensive and detailed analysis of the rules and practices which form international investment law and arbitration, covering its substantive, institutional and procedural aspects.
Evaluation	Final exam – 100%

Course Title & Code	ADGM Regulations
Instructor	Dr. Jade Al Araoui
Date	15Apr-26Apr
Course Format	2-week mission
Credits	1
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	35h
Course Description	<p>The course will provide a general overview on the legal and regulatory framework governing the businesses incorporated in the Abu Dhabi Global Market (the “ADGM”). For that purpose, it will be divided into three main components addressing (i) the organization of ADGM, (ii) the incorporation of businesses and (iii) the ordinary and extraordinary transactions involving these businesses.</p> <p>The first component will consist of a detailed presentation on the laws and regulations related to the set up and the structure of the ADGM, including, the historical background, the governing bodies, the regulatory and judicial authorities, the extent of ADGM jurisdiction. The second component will involve the types of legal entities available to incorporate a business in ADGM, the prohibited activities, the regulated financial activities and the commercial licensing requirements. The third component will include the day-to-day transactions and matters involving businesses established in ADGM, inter alia, the corporate governance, the M&A deals, the financing of businesses, the insolvency and the winding-up of businesses.</p>
Evaluation	Final exam – 100%

Course Title & Code	Master Thesis – LAW585
Instructor	Pr. Olivera Boskovic
Date	October 2024
Course Format	Research & thesis defense
Credits	9
Level	Graduate- Master 2
Semester offered	2
Contact Hours	

Course Description	Final project of the master program
Evaluation	Master Thesis defence in front of the panel (including the evaluation of writing from the student adviser) – 100%

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