

REGULATIONS FOR THE CYCLE OF STUDIES LEADING TO A **MASTER'S DEGREE IN LAW**

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Following the creation of the study cycles of NOVA School of Law, the regulation governing the 2nd Cycle of Studies leading to the degree of Master in Law was approved. This Cycle has been registered by the General Directorate for Higher Education under R/B -Cr 367/2007, in compliance with the technical standards published in the Annex to Order No. 10543/2005 (2nd series), of 11 May, in accordance with Articles 12 and 43 of Decree-Law 42/2005, of 22 February. In view of the changes introduced to its original version this regulation is republished.

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CHAPTER I

OBJECTIVES, SCIENTIFIC AREA AND DURATION

ARTICLE 1

Objectives of the course

Objectives of the Master's Degree in Law provided by NOVA School of Law:

- a)** To consolidate and deepen the basic knowledge acquired in the first cycle of legal studies;
- b)** To acquire in-depth knowledge in specific fields of law;
- c)** To lay the foundations for independent lifelong learning;
- a)** To prepare students for professional life;
- e)** To develop research skills.

ARTICLE 2

Scientific Area

The course is integrated within the scientific area of Law.

ARTICLE 3

Course duration

The course lasts three semesters, the first two of which are academic semesters and the third for the preparation of the dissertation, project work or internship report.

CHAPTER II

RULES ON ADMISSION TO THE STUDY CYCLE, CURRICULUM STRUCTURE, PLAN OF STUDIES AND CREDITS

ARTICLE 4

Admission requirements

- 1.** Students may be admitted onto the Master's Degree course in Law if they have completed the 1st cycle of legal studies.

- 2.** Priority is given to law graduates who have completed the first cycle with not less than 240 credits; and when in equal place, preference is given to those students who have obtained the highest mark in the 1st cycle.
- 3.** Exceptionally, graduates who have completed study cycles of 240 credits in other scientific areas may be admitted to the Master's degree course with up to an annual limit of five; the Scientific Council will select the students on the basis of their curriculum and possible professional experience, and may delegate to one or some of its members.
- 4.** The competent bodies of NOVA School of Law annually set the number of students to be admitted and establish the admission criteria, and may establish other specific conditions and criteria for course admission.

ARTICLE 5

Curriculum structure and credits

- 1.** The curriculum structure and credits are given in Annex I.
- 2.** Each student must register in one of the five areas of specialization mentioned in the same Annex.

ARTICLE 6

Curricular plan

- 1.** In addition to the curricular plan which is periodically approved, the Scientific Council will establish the schedule for each curricular unit in each subject and determine optional courses to be taught in each school year according to the number of registrations and the means available, and may also offer subjects not provided in the study plan.
- 2.** The curricular plan in force each year and any other information relating to the functioning of the School will be announced on the NOVA School of Law website.
- 3.** The Scientific Council in collaboration with the Pedagogical Council is responsible for monitoring the development of the Master's degree, in particular as regards the preparation of dissertations, project work and internship reports; to this end it may designate one or more of its members.

CHAPTER III

OPERATING CONDITIONS

ARTICLE 7

Course enrolment

- 1.** Enrolments in curricular units are done through the Internet or with the Academic Division at the beginning of each semester and in accordance with the terms laid down by the Dean of NOVA School of Law, in accordance with the rules, particularly those relating to fees and admission requirements.
- 2.** Students may enrol in up to six subjects in each semester corresponding to at least 30 credits, indicating their chosen master's course.
- 3.** The Dean of NOVA School of Law may establish a maximum number of enrolments in any optional subject, as well as condition the operation of any of these subjects to a minimum number of enrolments.
- 4.** During the enrolment period students should rank the option courses in which they are not yet enrolled, in descending order of interest.
- 5.** In the courses that register a higher number of students than the prescribed number, preference is given to those who have obtained the highest average.
- 6.** Students who have already been enrolled in the subject and have not taken the exam do not benefit from any preference.

ARTICLE 8

Enrolment restrictions

- 1.** The maximum number of enrolments in the taught part of the Master's degree is three semesters.
- 2.** In exceptional cases duly justified and on request of the student, the Dean of NOVA School of Law may extend the enrolment period by one semester.
- 3.** The expiration of the enrolment prevents enrolment in the following semesters, students being allowed to re-enter the Master's in accordance with the general rules of re-entry applicable at NOVA School of Law.

CHAPTER IV

CLASS SCHEDULES AND CALENDARS

ARTICLE 9

School calendar

The school calendar will be based around the following model:

- a)** School year: 15 September to 30 June;
- b)** 1st semester: 15 September to 22 December;
- c)** 1st semester examinations: January;
- d)** 2nd semester: 1 February to 22 May;
- e)** 2nd semester examinations: June.

ARTICLE 10

Exam calendar

The schedule for the examinations in each season is co-ordinated by the Dean of NOVA School of Law, after consultation with the Pedagogical Council, up to 60 days before the beginning of the examinations.

ARTICLE 11

Duration of the semester

Each school semester usually lasts 19 weeks, which includes a maximum examination period of five weeks.

ARTICLE 12

Class schedule

Before the beginning of each semester, the Dean of NOVA School of Law in consultation with the Pedagogical Council will announce the schedule of the classes of each curricular unit.

CHAPTER V

TEACHING METHODS

ARTICLE 13

Classes

- 1.** The classes are theoretical and practical, following a model of dialogue and student participation.
- 2.** The practical classes cannot, in principle, be used to provide new material.
- 3.** When the number of students and the nature of the subject allows, classes can

be held as seminars.

4. The duration of each lesson is 90 minutes, including a 15-minute break between every two classes.

ARTICLE 14

Programmes

1. The teaching of each subject follows the programme elaborated by the coordinator before the beginning of the school year, submitted for the approval of the Scientific Council of NOVA School of Law.

2. The programmes of all disciplines are published on the NOVA School of Law website.

ARTICLE 15

Absences and substitutions

The total number of classes per semester must be strictly adhered to, and the person in charge of the discipline must, in the case of absence, provide alternative classes to replace those that cannot be taught.

ARTICLE 16

Summaries

After each class, the professor submits a summary of the class taught on the respective web page of NOVA School of Law, indicating the material used and the work done, in accordance with the programme.

ARTICLE 17

Self-evaluation

1. The NOVA School of Law will define the methods of regular self-evaluation of the teaching provided and will periodically publish its results.

2. The Pedagogical Council shall be responsible for monitoring compliance with the provisions of the preceding Articles and issuing the necessary guidelines.

CHAPTER VI

ASSESSMENT

SECTION I - Academic semesters

ARTICLE

Enrolment

- 1.** Enrolment in the curricular unit in the semester in which it is taught is a necessary precondition for submission to the final assessment exams.
- 2.** The Academic Division of NOVA School of Law automatically registers students enrolled in the curricular unit in the semester in which it is taught.
- 3.** Professors must not assess submissions from students who do not appear on the respective attendance register.

ARTICLE 19

Examination period

- 1.** No examination may be taken outside the dates provided for in the respective timetable, including oral tests and examinations for students who are to initiate or have completed studies under the ERASMUS programme.
- 2.** Only students who have not appeared due to the death of their spouse, next-of-kin or second degree relative are excepted, in which case adequate justification for the absence confers the right to take the examination in an appropriate format and at a convenient time.
- 3.** The dates and times of the examinations programmed in the school calendar cannot be changed by the professor for any student registered on whatever grounds.
- 4.** The appeal season for the 1st semester exams will be in June and that of the 2nd semester examinations will be in the following January, there being no further recourse to appeal.

ARTICLE 20

Assessment examinations

- 1.** The final assessment consists, as a rule, of a written examination based on all the material given up to one week before it takes place; with alternative forms of final assessment - oral examination, assessment of written work and reports - always depending on prior authorization given for each subject and for each semester by the Scientific Council.

- 2.** No professor can determine or allow the final assessment be made in any way other than that specified; cases where students whose disabilities are likely to affect their performance in the exam should be brought to the attention of the Dean of NOVA School of Law accompanied by a proposal from the professor suggesting a change in the type or duration of the exam or such other as they deem appropriate.
- 3.** For each course the professor will publish in writing, at the beginning of the course, the relevant assessment method if different from that provided for in the first part of paragraph 1.
- 4.** The written exams are of three hours unless the professor sets a shorter duration in advance.
- 5.** The oral exams are of variable duration, but should not be less than 15 minutes nor more than 60 minutes.

ARTICLE 20 - A

Plagiarism declaration

In all written work for evaluation including the dissertation, students must declare that the text presented is solely of their authorship and that all use of contributions or texts from others is duly referenced.

ARTICLE 21

Grading scale and qualitative reference

- 1.** The grading of course units is expressed on a numerical whole scale from 0 to 20. Students who obtain a grade of 10 or more will be approved.
- 2.** Grades expressed in fractional numbers will be rounded up to the nearest whole number.
- 3.** Final grades awarded fall into one of the qualitative four classes:
 - a)** 10 to 13 – pass;
 - b)** 14 and 15 – good;
 - c)** 16 and 17 – very good;
 - d)** 18 to 20 – excellent.

ARTICLE 22

Classification

The final grade awarded to the student may be higher than that of the final examination, other factors being taken into account by the professor, but the

grade can never be inferior; with both marks indicated in separate columns on the final results.

ARTICLE 23

Resit examination

- 1.** In the case where a student has not passed a particular subject in which they enrolled, they must register for a final assessment exam within the appropriate assessment period.
- 2.** The content of the exam will correspond with the last semester in which the discipline was taught.

ARTICLE 24

Grade improvement examination

- 1.** Students who pass a subject of the first school semester can take an examination for grade improvement in the examination season corresponding to the second school semester upon registration for that purpose.
- 2.** Of the grades obtained the highest grade prevails as the final grade.
- 3.** Each student can only register for one grade improvement exam.

ARTICLE 25

Special examination season for finalists

In the second half of July special examination periods are held for students who, for any reason, lack a single subject in the taught part of the Master's degree.

ARTICLE 26

Invigilation of examinations

- 1.** The NOVA School of Law Administrator is responsible for planning the invigilation of exams, based on the number of rooms required, determined according to the number of students registered.
- 2.** Invigilation of the exams is the responsibility of the professor of the discipline, who must appear personally on the days of the written exams. When, exceptionally, the professor cannot be present, they must report this to the Dean and arrange a substitute professor able to provide any clarification requested by the students.

- 3.** In the case where the number of students registered for the exam requires additional classrooms, the invigilation is ensured by as many professors or PhD students as there are classrooms required.
- 4.** The Academic Division must provide each invigilator with a list of students registered, with appropriate spacing for the students' signatures. Students must sign the list in the presence of the invigilator on delivery of the completed examination paper.
- 5.** Students must return the unused examination papers and draft sheets to the invigilators, and in the case of withdrawal, with 'withdrawn' clearly indicated, signed by the student.

ARTICLE 27

Correction and delivery of examination papers

- 1.** The deadline for posting the final marks in the appropriate location of the NOVA School of Law Website, as well as for the delivery of all examination papers duly graded to the Academic Division of NOVA School of Law is fifteen working days, reduced to ten working days in the last week of the examination season.
- 2.** If oral examinations are scheduled the results of the written exams should be published no later than three days before the date set for them.
- 3.** Whenever the delivery of the results does not respect such deadlines, it must be accompanied by a justification addressed to the Dean of Nova School of Law.
- 4.** Professors with more than one hundred exam papers to correct may ask the Dean for the collaboration of a lecturer or doctoral student.
- 5.** The written examinations are signed by the professor of the discipline, showing the final grade arising from the rounded number, and are returned to the Academic Division after submitting the grades to the Academic Division of NOVA School of Law.
- 6.** The written tests are graded by the professor who taught the discipline in the semester in which the exam takes place. If the discipline has not been taught that semester, grading is the responsibility of the professor of the discipline from the semester prior to the one in which the exam takes place.
- 7.** Professors must schedule classes or special sessions for the analysis of the final semester exams, and face-to-face consultation of the exams as required by the students. The professor must announce the date and time when grading of the exams will be completed and marks are available for consultation through the Internet and the Teaching Support of NOVA School of Law.
- 8.** Requests for photocopying and face-to-face consultation of examinations not referred to in the previous paragraphs shall be submitted to the Academic Division within the time period previously indicated.

*ARTICLE 28***Academic misconduct**

Any misconduct arising through the assessment process shall be reported to the Dean of NOVA School of Law for disciplinary purposes.

*ARTICLE 29***Statistics**

The NOVA School of Law will periodically publish statistics of the examinations held, including their pass rates.

SECTION II - Dissertation, project work or internship report*ARTICLE 30***Supervision**

1. At the time of registration in the third semester, the student indicates:
 - a) Whether they wish to prepare a dissertation, project work or an internship report specifying, as appropriate, the subject of the dissertation, the nature and objectives of the project or the type and location of the internship;
 - b) The name of the holder of a PhD in Law who will supervise the dissertation, project work or internship report, attaching the respective term of acceptance.
2. The theme of the dissertation is subject to registration in accordance with Annex III.
3. In the case where the supervisor is not a NOVA School of Law professor, the Scientific Council may appoint a co-supervisor from among its members.
4. The supervisor(s) should exercise effective research guidance, keeping necessary regular contact with the student in order to ensure progress of the work and quality of the result.

*ARTICLE 31***Submission of the dissertation, project work or internship report**

1. The dissertation, project work or internship report must be delivered to the Academic Division by 15 February or 15 July, depending on the semester of its elaboration.
2. The work is to be delivered in paper (five copies) and with digital support (pdf)

and cannot exceed 200,000 characters of text, including notes and spaces, and may contain a maximum of 25 pages of maps, graphics, images, etc.

3. The student will be given proof of submission provided from the Academic Division on receipt.

ARTICLE 32

Extension of delivery

1. The deadline for submission of the dissertation, project work or internship report may be extended at the reasoned request of the person concerned on approval of the Coordinator of the Master's degree.

2. The supervisor is obliged to support the reasoned request to extend the deadline.

3. An extension may only be granted for a period not exceeding 90 days.

4. The extension implies the termination of the deadline set out in paragraph 1 of the Article 34, as well as payment of a fee equivalent to 30 % of the Master's fee.

5. Students who do not submit their dissertation, project work or internship report within the established deadline as a result of the extension have to enrol again, paying the corresponding fee in full.

6. Students who enrol again as in the previous paragraph and who do not submit their dissertation, project work or internship report within the relevant time limit cannot enrol in the two semesters immediately following.

ARTICLE 33

Acceptance for public defence

1. The dissertation, project work or internship report shall be submitted for public defence, with the exception where the supervisor attests in a reasoned statement sent to the Scientific Council 15 days after its reception, that the work is not of sufficient quality to justify the granting of a Master's degree. After the delivery of the dissertation, work or report, the Academic Division communicates by e-mail to the supervisor who has 15 days to state whether the work is approved for submission or whether it needs to be reviewed.

2. Where the work requires reviewing the supervisor will suggest improvement or replacement of the dissertation, project work or internship report, after which the Scientific Council shall set the deadline for its submission, which shall not exceed 90 days.

*ARTICLE 34***Public defence**

- 1.** Public defence of dissertations, project work or internship reports is held up to three months after their receipt by the Academic Division.
- 2.** With the exception of public defence of dissertations, project work or internship reports referred to in paragraph 2 of the previous Article, they will take place within two months after their receipt by the Academic Division.
- 3.** The accomplishment of any public defence outside such deadlines depends on the decision of the Dean of NOVA School of Law, after approval of the Scientific Council.
- 4.** The dates and times of the public defence of the dissertations, project work or internship reports are published at least 15 days in advance.

*ARTICLE 35***Rules on the composition, appointment and functioning of the jury**

- 1.** The juries of the public defence are composed of three members, one of whom being the supervisor, designated by the Scientific Council of NOVA School of Law, who can delegate this competence to the Coordinator of the Master's Degree.
- 2.** The President of the jury is the member of the jury who is the most senior amongst the NOVA School of Law resident professors. Where there are two professors with the same degree, the elder is appointed.
- 3.** The President has the casting vote.

*ARTICLE 36***Public defence**

- 1.** The public defence will begin with the concession to the candidate to summarise the essentials of the dissertation, project work or internship report, for no more than 7 minutes; this will be followed with questioning by one of the members of the jury, excluding the supervisor or supervisors, for a maximum period of 30 minutes.
- 2.** The candidate then has a period of equivalent length to respond to the comments and questions raised.
- 3.** Following the defence, the jury meets and gives their final decision.

*ARTICLE 37***Decision of the jury**

- 1.** The deliberations of the jury are taken by a majority of its members through a justified roll-call vote, and with no abstentions allowed, the President having a casting vote.
- 2.** The minutes of the of the jury shall record the votes of each of its members and the reasons for their respective decisions, which may be common to all or some of the jury.
- 3.** The classification is assigned according to the scale referred to in Article 22(1).

CHAPTER VII

MASTER'S DEGREE

*ARTICLE 38***Granting of a Master's degree**

- 1.** The Master's degree will be awarded to those students who have obtained approval in the curricular units that make up 60 credits, and in the dissertation, project work or internship report with a total of 40 credits.
- 2.** The final classification of Masters is obtained through the simple arithmetic average of two components:
 - a)** The first component results from the average, rounded up to the hundredth, of the eight highest grades given in the subjects which the student has passed;
 - b)** The second component results from the classification given by the jury to the dissertation, project work or internship report.
- 3.** The final classification of Masters is expressed on a scale of 10 to 20 as well as on the European scale of comparability of classifications.

*ARTICLE 39***Issue of the degree confirmation letter, diploma supplements and certificates**

- 1.** The degree confirmation letter is issued prior to 31 December of the calendar year in which the student completes the second cycle, provided it is required before 30 September of that same year.
- 2.** Once the grade has been recorded, the certificates relating to the completion of the courses will be issued no later than five days after receipt of their request.

CHAPTER VIII

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 40

Tuition fees

Tuition fees will be set annually by the competent bodies.

ARTICLE 41

Funding

The Master's Degree in Law is self-financing from tuition fees or other legitimate sources.

NOVA School of Law
Order 8472/2020**Summary:**

Changes to the study plan leading to a Master's Degree in Law.

In accordance with the provisions of Articles 75 and following Decree-Law No. 74/2006 of 24 March, as amended by Decree Laws No. 107/2008 of 25 June, 115/2013 of 7 August and 63/2016 of 13 September, and of 65/2018 of 16 August, as well as in strict compliance with the provisions of Resolution No. 2392/2013 of 12 November of the Agency for the Evaluation and Accreditation of Higher Education, concerning the amendments characterizing a cycle of studies, published in the Official Gazette 2nd series, No. 250 of 26 of December, the amendments to the study plan for the cycle of studies leading to the degree of Master's Degree in Law listed in Annex I, published by Order No. 8289/2019 of 18th September.

The changes to the cycle of studies have been registered with the Directorate General of Higher Education under No. R/A -Ef 3196/2011/AL04 of 28/07/2020. These changes will enter into force for the school year 2020-2021.

6 August, 2020. The Dean - Professor Mariana França Gouveia Sande Nogueira.

ANNEX I

1. Teaching institution: NOVA University – School of Law (0911)
2. Type of course: Master - 2nd cycle
3. Title: Law
4. Degree or diploma: Master
5. Number of credits, according to the European credit transfer system, required to obtain the degree or diploma: 120 ECTS credits
6. Options, branches, areas of specialization, specializations or other forms of organization of the curricular structure: Areas of specialization: International and European Law (120 credits ECTS); Public Law (120 ECTS credits); Social Legal Sciences (120 ECTS credits); Legal Business Sciences (120 ECTS credits); Legal Forensic Sciences (120 ECTS credits)
7. Curricular structure:

Table 1

AREA OF EXPERTISE IN INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN LAW

SCIENTIFIC AREAS	ABBREVIATION	ECTS	
		MANDATORY	OPTIONAL
International Legal Sciences	ILS	60	32
International Legal Sciences or Business Legal Sciences or Forensic Legal Sciences or Social Legal Sciences or Public Law	ILS/BLS/FLS/PL		20
General Legal	GL	8	
SUB-TOTAL		68	52
TOTAL		120	

Table 2

AREA OF EXPERTISE IN PUBLIC LAW

SCIENTIFIC AREAS	ABBREVIATION	ECTS	
		MANDATORY	OPTIONAL
Public Law	PL	60	32
Public Law or International Legal Sciences or Business Legal Sciences or Forensic Legal Sciences or Social Legal Sciences	PL/ILS/BLS/FLS/SLS		20
General Legal	GL	8	
SUB-TOTAL		68	52
TOTAL		120	

Table 3**AREA OF EXPERTISE IN BUSINESS LEGAL SCIENCE**

SCIENTIFIC AREAS	ABBREVIATION	ECTS	
		MANDATORY	OPTIONAL
Business Legal Science	BLS	60	32
Business Legal Science or International Legal Sciences or Forensic Legal Sciences or Social Legal Sciences or Public Law	BLS/ILS/FLS/SLS/PL		20
General Legal	GL	8	
SUB-TOTAL		68	52
TOTAL		120	

Table 4**AREA OF EXPERTISE IN SOCIAL LEGAL SCIENCE**

SCIENTIFIC AREAS	ABBREVIATION	ECTS	
		MANDATORY	OPTIONAL
Social Legal Science	SLS	60	32
Social Legal Science or Business Legal Sciences or International Legal Sciences or Forensic Legal Science or Public Law	SLS/BLS/ILS/FLS/PL		20
General Legal	GL	8	
SUB-TOTAL		68	52
TOTAL		120	

Table 5**AREA OF EXPERTISE IN FORENSIC LEGAL SCIENCES**

SCIENTIFIC AREAS	ABBREVIATION	ECTS	
		MANDATORY	OPTIONAL
Forensic Legal Sciences	FLS	60	32
Forensic Legal Sciences or Social Legal Sciences or Business Legal Sciences or International Legal Sciences or Public Law	SLS/BLS/ILS/FLS/PL		20
General Legal	GL	8	
SUB-TOTAL		68	52
TOTAL		120	

8. Observations:**9. Study Plan:**

Table 6
AREA OF EXPERTISE IN INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN LAW

Curricular units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Curriculum year (3)	Course year organization (4)	Working hours										ECTS (7)	Obs. (8)
				Total (5)	Contact (6)										
					T	TP	PL	TC	S	E	OT	O	Total contact hours		
Methodology of Legal Research	GL	1st	Semestral	224	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	8	
Option 1 (Optional)	ILS	1st	Semestral	896									224	32	
Option 2 (Free Choice)		1st	Semestral	560									140	20	
Dissertation, Internship and Project Work	ILS	2 nd	Semestral	1,560	0	0	0	0	2	0	12	0	14	60	

Table 7

OPTIONAL CURRICULAR OPTIONS

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Table 8
AREA OF SPECIALISATION IN **PUBLIC LAW**

Curricular units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Curriculum year (3)	Course year organization (4)	Working hours										ECTS (7)	Observations (8)
				Total (5)	Contact (6)										
					T	TP	PL	TC	S	E	OT	O	Total contact hours		
Methodolgy of Legal Research	GL	1 st	Semester	224	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	8	
Option 1 (Optional)	PL	1 st	Semester	896									224	32	
Option 2 (Free Choice)		1 st	Semester	560									140	20	
Dissertation, Internship and Project Work	PL	2 nd	Semester	1, 560	0	32.5	0	0	2	0	12	0	14	60	

Table 9
OPTIONAL **CURRICULAR OPTIONS**

Optional Curricular Unit number (0)	Curricular units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Curriculum year (3)	Course year organization (4)	Working hours										ECTS (7)	Observations (8)
					Total (5)	Contact (6)										
						T	TP	PL	TC	S	E	OT	O	Total contact hours		
Option 1 (Restricted Option)	Science of Public Administration	PL	1 st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Science of Legislation	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Public Recruitment	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Life Sciences Law	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	European Administrative Law	PL	1 st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Energy Law	PL	1 st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Economic Criminal Law	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Social Law (Social Security Law)	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Data Protection and Management Law	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Environmental Law	PL	1 st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Urbanism Law	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Constitutional Justice	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Regulation and Regulatory Law	PL	1 st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Sectoral Regulation I	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Sectoral Regulation II	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Competition Law	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Labour Law in Public Functions	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Arbitration in Public Law	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Administrative Law and the Financial System	PL	1 st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
Option2 (Free choice)	Can be chosen from any area of the Master 's in Law or any NOVA School of Law Master's degree	PL	1 st	Semester	560									140	20	Free Choice

Table 12
AREA OF SPECIALISATION IN **SOCIAL LEGAL SCIENCES**

Curricular units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Curriculum year (3)	Course year organization (4)	Working hours										ECTS (7)	Observations (8)
				Total (5)	Contact (6)										
					T	TP	PL	TC	S	E	OT	O	Total contact hours		
Methodology of Legal Research	GL	1 st	Semester	224	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	8	
Option 1 (Optional)	BLS	1 st	Semester	896									224	32	
Option 2 (Free Choice)		1 st	Semester	560									140	20	
Dissertation, Internship and Project Work	SLS	2 nd	Annual	1, 560	0	0	0	0	2	0	12	0	14	60	

Table 13
OPTIONAL **CURRICULAR OPTIONS**

Optional Curricular Unit number (0)	Curricular units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Curriculum year (3)	Course year organization (4)	Working hours										ECTS (7)	Observations (8)
					Total (5)	Contact (6)										
						T	TP	PL	TC	S	E	OT	O	Total contact hours		
Option 1 (Restricted Option)	European Asylum and Immigration Law	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Energy Law	SLS	1st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Special Criminal Procedure	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Social Law (Social Security law)	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Rights of Non-Profit Activities	SLS	1st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Introduction to Mediation	SLS	1st	Semester	224	0	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	8	
	Environmental Law	SLS	1st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Insolvency	SLS	1st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Sports Law	SLS	1st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	European Labor Law	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Family and Child Law	SLS	2nd	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	African Laws	SLS	1st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Interdisciplinary Studies	SLS	1st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Philosophy of Law	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	History of Institutions	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Legal Medicine	SLS	1st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Alternative Dispute Resolution	SLS	1st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Labour Law in Public Functions	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Procedural Labour Law	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Data Protection and Management Law	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Emerging Technologies: Governance and Regulation	SLS	1st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	International Humanitarian Law	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Business, Human Rights and Sustainability	SLS	1st	Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Corporate Governance	SLS	1st	Semester	168,	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Negotiation (Terms and Conditions)	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Mediation - Techniques and Process	SLS	2nd	Semester	224	0	72	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	8	
	Life Sciences Law	SLS	1st	Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Free Choice - Can be chosen from any area of the Master's in Law or any NOVA School of Law Master's degree		1st	Semester	560									140	20	Free Choice

Table 14
AREA OF SPECIALISATION IN **FORENSIC LEGAL SCIENCES**

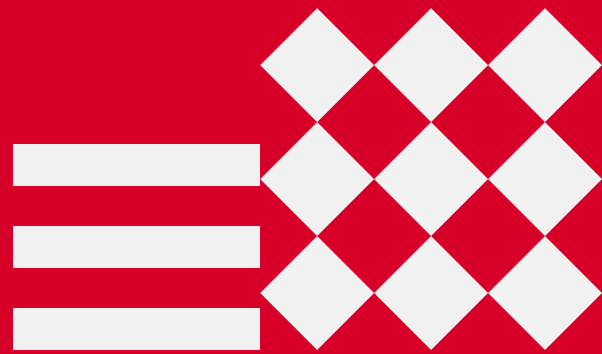
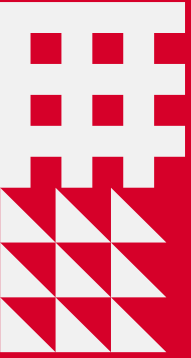
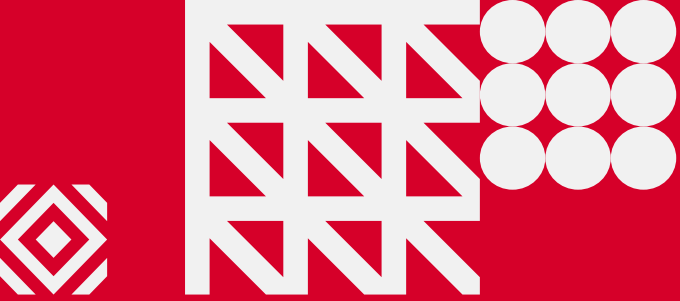
Curricular units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Curriculum year (3)	Course year organization (4)	Working hours										ECTS (7)	Observations (8)	
				Total (5)	Contact (6)											
					T	TP	PL	TC	S	E	OT	O	Total contact hours			
Methodology of Legal Research	GL	1st	Semester	224	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	8		
Option 1 (Optional)	FLS	1st	Semester	896									224	32		
Option 2 (Free Choice)		1st	Semester	560									140	20		
Dissertation, Internship and Project Work	FLS	2 nd	Annual	1, 560	0	0	0	0	2	0	12	0	14	60		

Table 15
OPTIONAL **CURRICULAR OPTIONS**

Optional Curricular Unit number (0)	Curricular units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Curriculum year (3)	Course year organization (4)	Working hours										ECTS (7)	Observations (8)
					Total (5)	Contact (6)										
						T	TP	PL	TC	S	E	OT	O	Total contact hours		
Option 1 (Restricted Option)	Accounting Law	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Civil and Commercial Contracts	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Crimes in Particular	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Special Administrative Law	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Banking and Insurance Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Commercial Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Special Community Law (Area of Freedom, Security and Justice)	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	International Tax Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Tax Law	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Private International Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Economic Criminal Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Special Criminal Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Social Law (Social Security Law)	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Competition Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Family Law	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Industrial Property Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Health and Bioethics Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Sucessions Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Copyright Law	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Environmental Law	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	International Trade Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Consumer Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Sports Law	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Special Labour Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Labour Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Urbanism Law	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Interdisciplinary Studies	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	History of Institutions	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Legal Medicine	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Special Civil Processes	FLS		Semester	168	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	
	Alternative Dispute Resolution	FLS		Semester	112	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	4	
	Free Choice - Can be chosen from any area of the Master 's in Law or any NOVA School of Law Master's degree			Semester	560									0	20	Free Choice

ABBREVIATIONS

PT		EN	
DP	Direito Publico	PL	Public Law
CJI	Ciências jurídicas Internacionais	ILS	International Legal Sciences
CJE	Ciências jurídicas Empresariais	BLS	Business Legal Sciences
CJF	Ciências Jurídicas Forenses	FLS	Forensic Legal Sciences
CJS	Ciências Jurídicas Sociais	SLS	Social Legal Sciences
JG	Justiça Geral	GL	General Legal



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