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We offer one of the widest ranges of legal masters programmes in the UK. Our programmes offer you the opportunity to specialise, or to pursue a broader perspective on law, and most can be taken either full-time or part-time.*

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We currently offer 17 taught, on-campus masters programmes. You'll find the most up-to-date information on our programmes of study on our website. We also offer several taught masters programmes by online learning (see page 17) and research opportunities including masters by research (see page 14) and the PhD (see page 22).

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Tips for applying

All applicants to postgraduate study are made online (see page 28 for more information). We recommend you apply as early as possible. Because our programmes are popular, it may be necessary for us to close applications earlier than normal if they become full. This is particularly important for students who may receive a conditional offer (for example you may need to allow time to satisfy the necessary visa requirements).

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* Part-time study available for UK and EU students only

Commercial Law

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/161

Programme description

This programme provides an excellent grounding for the future study of commercial law, for those intending to enter legal practice, or for those intending to pursue a career in the commercial world. You will benefit from the opportunity to explore a wide range of subjects at an advanced level and study the law in the fast-paced and varied context of the commercial world. On this programme you will benefit from connections to the legal profession and professional networks of the Edinburgh Centre for Commercial Law.

Programme structure

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which may include the options listed below. On these courses, your studies will be led by members of the Law School academic community, most of whom are legally qualified in Scotland, England or other jurisdictions, as well as some experienced legal and industry practitioners. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed. For the dissertation you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:

You will choose a minimum of 80 credits of compulsory courses and up to 40 credits of option courses which may include: Company Law; Contract Law in Europe; Delict and Tort; EU Competition Law; International Commercial Arbitration; Principles of Corporate Finance Law; Principles of International Tax Law; European Labour Law; Principles of Insurance Law; Insolvency Law.

Career opportunities

This programme is ideally suited to individuals seeking to begin or develop careers in the fields of commercial law, business, or finance. Recent graduates are now working in a variety of legal roles including litigator and legal counsel for companies such as Deloitte, PricewaterhouseCoopers and Standard Life.

Entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry), in an appropriate subject, such as law or social science.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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You may also be interested in: International Commercial Law & Practice by online learning (see page 19).

Comparative & European Private Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/684

Programme description

This programme offers you the opportunity to obtain an advanced qualification that is both academically rigorous and professionally beneficial. Drawing on both the civil and common law traditions, it combines the comparative study of the modern development in key areas of private law, and also the dynamics of European harmonisation initiatives. It is particularly suited to those who have studied a range of private law subjects at undergraduate level, although it is also open to those whose undergraduate law degree has combined other specialisations.

Programme structure

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which may include the options listed below. Your courses will be led by members of the Law School academic community. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed. For the dissertation you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:

You will choose a minimum of 80 credits of compulsory courses and up to 40 credits of option courses which may include: Contract Law in Europe; Comparative Property Law; Delict and Tort; Comparative and International Trust Law; Fundamentals of Comparative Private Law; International Private Law: Jurisdiction and Enforcement of Judgements.

Career opportunities

This intellectually demanding LLM is an excellent preparation for further research leading to an academic career in law. It is also suitable for practising lawyers who wish to deepen their knowledge and understanding.

Entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry), in law. We may also consider a UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent, in a social science subject.

English language requirements

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Corporate Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description
This innovative programme aims to transcend a narrow focus on legal rules and put the study of corporate law in a wider interdisciplinary and comparative framework. The portfolio of courses offered on the programme allows you to acquire in-depth knowledge of legal, economic, financial and comparative matters covering the entire life cycle of a corporation.

Programme structure
You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which include those listed below. Courses will be taught in seminars, led by members of the Law School academic community and experienced legal and business practitioners. In some courses you will be required to deliver individual or group presentations. Entry to some courses depends upon you having studied the relevant topic at undergraduate level. You will also undertake a dissertation under the supervision of an academic member of staff.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:

- You will choose a minimum of 80 credits of compulsory courses and up to 40 credits of option courses which may include: Corporate Law and Economics; Company Law; The Law of International Trade; Corporate Social Responsibility; Principles of Corporate Finance; Principles of International Tax Law; European Labour Law; Insolvency Law.

Career opportunities
This programme is for individuals seeking to start or develop careers in the fields of corporate law, business or finance.

Entry requirements
A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/ international/graduate-entry). In law, we may also consider a UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent, in a social science subject, or high achievement in corporate law subjects at degree level and relevant professional work experience.

English language requirements
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Criminal Law & Criminal Justice

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description
This programme offers the ideal opportunity to study contemporary debates in both criminal law and criminal justice at an advanced level. Our wide portfolio of courses will help you understand the key concepts and theories underpinning criminal law and criminal justice and how they operate in practice. It is suitable for students who have studied law at undergraduate level and wish to develop their understanding of criminal justice in particular. It prepares you for further work in this area, whether professional or academic.

Programme structure
You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which may include the options listed below. On these courses your studies will be led by members of the Law School academic community. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed. For the dissertation you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis. Courses are assessed primarily by essay and other written work, but oral presentations may also be required.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:

- You will choose a minimum of 80 credits of compulsory courses and up to 40 credits of option courses which may include: General Principles of Criminal Law; Current Issues in Criminal Law; Criminal Justice and Penal Process; EU Criminal and Immigration Law; Global Crime and Insecurity; Sexual Offending and the Law; Cybercrime; Police and Policing; Responding to Global Crime and Insecurity.

Career opportunities
This programme is ideal preparation for students considering further study in the fields of criminal law and criminal justice, whether professional or academic.

Entry requirements
A UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/ international/graduate-entry). In law, we may also consider a UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent, in a social science subject.

English language requirements
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Fees and funding
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Criminology & Criminal Justice

MSC 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description
This programme offers a platform to learn about and engage with the latest criminological research and apply this to current theory and debates in this interdisciplinary field. This MSC is suitable both for those who have studied criminology at undergraduate level and for those who are new to the subject. As a student on this programme you will be part of our vibrant community of active researchers, international scholars and local practitioners in criminology and criminal justice. You will have ample opportunity to draw from our academics’ research, which is both theoretical and empirical and makes a difference to the world both locally and globally (see case study, page 23, Reforming police practice in Scotland: Stop and search).

You will benefit from top-quality training in criminological research methods and skills essential both for the further study of criminology (we have a strong cohort of criminology PhD students, some recruited from this MSC) and for employment in the criminal justice field.

Programme structure
You must complete 160 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which may include the options listed below. You will study with members of the Law School academic community. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed. For the dissertation you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:

- You will choose a minimum of 80 credits of compulsory courses and 40 credits of option courses which may include: Criminal Justice and Penal Process; EU Criminal and Immigration Law; Global Crime and Insecurity; Sexual Offending and the Law; Cybercrime; Police and Policing; Responding to Global Crime and Insecurity.

Career opportunities
This programme is ideal preparation for students considering further study in the fields of criminal law and criminal justice, whether professional or academic.

Entry requirements
A UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/ international/graduate-entry).

English language requirements
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European Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description
This programme harnesses the momentum for anyone interested in a rewarding career in law, business, politics or policy within the EU, or beyond.

In depth knowledge of EU law has become even more relevant after the recent vote of the UK electorate to leave the EU. EU law is a complex and fascinating subject that weighs even more heavily on policymaking in the UK. Europe is a global power, but it is also a much more international, which is why in-depth knowledge of European law is vital to any legal career.

The negotiations on the UK’s departure from the EU will raise complex questions with a possible special status for Scotland (or even renewed calls for independence) adding a further layer. Even after a so-called Brexit law will remain relevant to lawyers in the UK not only when they are dealing with pre-Brexit questions, but also because any future UK-EU relationship is likely to be heavily influenced by it. Against that background, the importance of advanced knowledge in EU law to employment in the public and private sectors will only increase.

At Edinburgh, we take an interdisciplinary approach. You’ll combine study of the law and legal systems of the EU with courses on both policy implications and applied economics. The involvement of legal practitioners and policymakers in our programme, as well as the high profile of the law school lectures and activities hosted by the Europa Institute, will give you first-hand knowledge of what is happening in Europe right now.

Programme structure
You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which may include the options listed below. These courses will be led by members of the Law School academic community and those practising at the forefront of European Law decision making. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed. For the dissertation you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:

- You will choose a minimum of 80 credits of compulsory courses and 40 credits of option courses which may include: Criminal Justice and Penal Process; Criminological Research Methods; Theoretical Criminology; Cybercrime; Gender, Crime and Criminal Justice; Media and Crime; Mental Health and Crime; Police and Policing; Responding to Global Crime and Insecurity; Surveillance and Security.

Career opportunities
You can choose a minimum of 80 credits of compulsory courses and up to 40 credits of elective courses which may include: Contract Law in Europe; EU Competition Law; EU Constitutional Law; EU Criminal and Immigration Law; EU Law moot court; Brexit: withdrawal from the European Union; and National Climate Change Law; EU Fundamental Rights Law; European Union and International Law and International and European Media Law.

Entry requirements
The LLM in European Law is not only for law graduates who plan to develop a career in the field of EU law, but also for law students or practising lawyers looking to gain a competitive edge in the employment market more generally within law, business or policymaking. Many graduates develop dynamic career working in Brussels, home of the European Commission.

Entry requirements
A UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/ international/graduate-entry). In law, we may also consider a UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent, in a social science subject.

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"I really liked my time in Edinburgh. I enjoyed it, I learned a lot and I met new colleagues and friends from across the globe – friendships which last to this day." 

Marcos R. Roca, MSc Criminology & Criminal Justice
Global Crime, Justice & Security

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme provides an excellent opportunity to study new global developments in the field of crime, criminal law, justice and security. The MSc is suitable both for those already familiar with law, politics or criminology from undergraduate study and for those who are new to these subjects. As a student on this programme, you will have access to the expertise and insight of our active community of researchers, international scholars and local practitioners. The programme is truly interdisciplinary with teaching provided by academics from both the School of Law and the School of Social & Political Science.

The two compulsory courses on the programme introduce you to different forms and contexts of global crime and how we respond to these, whilst the wide range of courses allows you to tailor the programme to your area of interest. You will benefit from top-quality training in research methods and skills essential both for doctoral study, or employment in the field of criminal justice and security.

Programme structure

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which may include the options listed below. You will experience a range of teaching styles on these courses, led by members of the Law School academic community and experienced legal and industry practitioners. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed. For the dissertation you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

You will choose a minimum of 80 credits of compulsory courses and up to 40 credits of option courses which may include: International Environmental Law; International Climate Change Law; International Law of the Sea; Risk and Regulation; Health and the Environment; EU and National Climate Change Law.

Career opportunities

Our graduates have found employment in a range of settings including commercial security consultancy and management, banking and anti-money laundering work, research, and Civil service and third sector roles. Some have gone on to further professional or academic study in crime-related fields, and those with existing professional experience have been promoted in their workplace.

Entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry).

English language requirements

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Global Environment & Climate Change Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme is designed to equip you with an advanced, multidisciplinary knowledge of the legal issues and techniques related to environmental protection and the management of natural resources, with special emphasis on climate change.

You will analyse and evaluate the historic and ongoing development of international, European and national law for environmental protection, the interrelations between these different levels of law-making and the interactions between environmental law and other areas of law. You will also choose option courses to complement your legal studies with an analysis of the scientific and socio-economic aspects of environmental protection. This programme is affiliated with the University’s Global Environment & Society Academy (www.ed.ac.uk/global-environment-society).

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which may include the options listed below. You will experience a range of teaching styles on these courses, led by members of the Law School academic community and experienced legal and industry practitioners. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed. For the dissertation you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:

You will study 40 credits of compulsory courses: Global Crime and Insecurity. Responding to Global Crime and Insecurity. The remaining 80 credits will be taken from a selection of courses which may include: Criminological Research Methods; Fundamental Issues in International Law; Criminal Justice and Penal Process; International Human Rights Law: Theoretical Criminology; Current Issues in Criminal Law: Cybercrime: Human Rights and Conflict Resolution; Inter-state Conflict and Humanitarian Law: Surveillance and Security.

Career opportunities

As a field of academic study, human rights cuts across a wide variety of disciplines. It sits at the heart of law, political science, theology and history. This programme is designed to provide you with a theoretical and practical understanding of international human rights law in its broader political context, with a particular emphasis on the relationship between human rights and conflict resolution. You will be able to explore the role of human rights globally and the international and domestic mechanisms that promote and enforce rights, while focusing on how academic debates connect to the practice of human rights.

The University is home to five closely cooperating Global Academies (www.ed.ac.uk/global-academies) in the areas of justice, health, development, environment and society, and agriculture and food security, which together address crucial global challenges that span the ambit of civil, political, social, economic and cultural rights. As a student on this programme, you will have the unique opportunity to draw on the academic space for learning human rights created by the activities and research of these Academies.

Programme structure

You will have the exciting opportunity to apply for our work-based placement scheme, and there is an alternative to the written dissertation.

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation or work placement scheme and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses, which may include the options listed below. You will experience a range of teaching styles on these courses, led by members of the Law School academic community and experienced legal and industry practitioners. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation will be assessed.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:

You will study 40 credits on the compulsory course International Human Rights Law. The remaining 80 credits will be taken from a selection of option courses which may include: Fundamental Issues in International Law; EU Criminal and Immigration Law; General Principles of Criminal Law; International and National Climate Change Law; International Human Rights and Conflict Resolution; Human Rights Law in Europe; International and European Media Law; Mental Health and Crime; Migration and Refugee Law.

Career opportunities

This programme offers ideal preparation for a range of employment opportunities and specialised academic work, which may include: government legal advice, international governmental and non-governmental organisations, private legal practice, advocacy work in a range of advocacy organisations or human rights consultancy.

Entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry), in law. We may also consider a UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent, in a social science subject.

English language requirements

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Human Rights

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Intellectual Property Law

Programme description
This programme is designed to equip you with an advanced knowledge and understanding of intellectual property law within an international, European and domestic (UK) setting.

The core subjects of the programme cover both substantive intellectual property law and the place and role of intellectual property, not just in its legal context but also in its social, ethical, cultural and commercial contexts. The programme spans patents, copyright, trade marks, designs, database rights, breach of confidence, passing off and sui generis rights, as well as investigating a range of issues which underpin contemporary intellectual property law and policy.

Programme structure
You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which may include the options listed below. Courses will be led by members of the Law School academic community, who are leaders in their field. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed. For the dissertation you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:

You will choose a minimum of 80 credits of compulsory courses and up to 40 credits of option courses which may include: Intellectual Property Law 1: Copyright and Related Rights; Intellectual Property System; Intellectual Property and Human Rights; Intellectual Property Law 2: Industrial Property; Intellectual Property Law; Innovation and Creativity.

Career opportunities
This programme provides excellent preparation for anyone seeking to work in intellectual property in a legal, business, industry or academic setting, as well as those who aspire to a successful career with regulatory authorities, central banks, and other public sector and international organisations.

As a graduate of this programme you will position yourself as a future leader in the field of banking law and finance.

Programme structure
Based on Edinburgh’s strong law and finance expertise, the programme offers an interdisciplinary study of the legal and economic aspects of international banking and corporate finance, and of global finance regulation. It also uses examples from practice to further your understanding of structural and drafting aspects of international banking and corporate finance transactions.

The programme focuses on:
• interdisciplinary analysis of the regulatory structures underpinning international finance in the UK, the EU, US and Asia;
• the key role played by private law infrastructure and attendant documentation in underpinning global financial transactions; and
• lawyers’ practice in structuring cross-border banking and corporate finance transactions.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:

This programme currently comprises three compulsory courses: Practice of Corporate Finance and the Law; Practice of International Banking and the Law; Regulation of International Finance: The Law, the Economics; The Politics.

Full course information will be available online: www.law.ed.ac.uk

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International Banking Law & Finance

Programme description
The legal and regulatory infrastructure and fundamental theoretical concepts underpinning global finance have undergone fundamental change since 2008. Recent reforms try to identify the appropriate means to make global financial markets safe again, eliminating the need for future bank bail-outs. As a result, practitioners in this area have become more challenging for lawyers, bankers, accountants and regulators. The pursuit of a successful career in today’s global markets requires an extensive and in-depth understanding of complex and sophisticated global and domestic finance regulations, of the law and practice of international banking, and of the law and practice of corporate finance. In addition it requires a solid understanding of economic theories supporting the operation of global finance.

A qualification in International Banking Law & Finance has become an essential requirement for those who wish to work in the legal, accounting and banking industries, as well as those who aspire to a successful career with regulatory authorities, central banks, and other public sector and international organisations.

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International Economic Law

Programme description
Since the establishment of the Bretton Woods System in the aftermath of the Second World War, we have seen an extraordinary evolution of international economic relations towards interdependence and integration. Discussions on this process, known as economic globalisation, are commonplace. This programme seeks to provide you with an in-depth knowledge and critical understanding of the institutions, rules and principles of the International economic system, as well as of key legal and policy issues arising from the globalisation of the world economy.

The programme structure is designed to ensure that you gain a thorough knowledge and critical understanding of the core branches of International economic law through the compulsory courses, while allowing for an individually tailored selection of option courses, depending on your personal interests and future career plans.

Programme structure
The programme structure on this programme ensures that you gain a thorough knowledge and critical understanding of the core branches of International economic law. The wide range of courses provides you with the opportunity to tailor the programme to your specific interests and career plans.

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which may include the options listed below. You will experience a range of teaching styles on these courses, led by members of the Law School academic community and experienced legal and industry practitioners. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed. For the dissertation you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:

You will choose a minimum of 80 credits of compulsory courses and up to 40 credits of option courses which may include: WTO Law; International Investment Law; Fundamental Issues in International Law; The Law of International Trade; International Commercial Arbitration; Principles of international Tax Law; Advanced Issues in International Economic Law; Corporate Social Responsibility and the Law.

Career opportunities
This programme is suitable for professionally qualified lawyers wishing to practice international law professionally, whether in law firms or at the bar, or as legal advisers in foreign ministries, other government departments, international organisations, or NGOs. It may also be of value to anyone seeking to develop a career in diplomacy or international relations. Recent graduates are now working as attorneys, lawyers, paralegals, tax consultants and legal analysts.

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International Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description
This popular LLM programme offers you a firm foundation in the fundamentals of the international legal system and international relations. It offers you an opportunity to pursue advanced specialist courses according to your personal interests and career plans and is ideally suited to those wishing to specialise in public international law.

Programme structure
You must complete 120 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which may include the options listed below. Courses will be led by members of the Law School academic community, who are leaders in their field. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed. For the dissertation you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES PREVIOUSLY OFFERED INCLUDE:
- Taught masters programmes

Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description
This LLB programme is the ideal choice for students wishing to expose themselves to diverse areas of advanced legal scholarship. We offer a wide range of specialist courses, many taught by internationally recognised experts in their fields, and legal and industry professionals. You will select courses from across the School’s key research and teaching fields, including commercial law, criminal law and evidence, criminology, EU law, IP, media and technology law, international law, legal history and legal theory, medical law, private law, and public law.

This structure ensures you can pursue a truly diverse and challenging curriculum through which you will be able to develop a broad expertise in cutting-edge legal scholarship.

Programme structure
The programme is made up from 120 credits of taught courses and a 60-credit dissertation on an approved topic (generally one that builds upon one of the courses that you have studied with us). There are no compulsory courses on the general LLM that all students have to take. Instead you may choose from the diverse range of specialist courses offered within the School (subject to the availability of places or whether courses are running in a given year).

You will experience a range of teaching styles on this programme and you are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and reflecting on the issues to be discussed. Your participation in classes will be assessed.

For the dissertation, you will be allocated a supervisor, who will provide guidance and support. The purpose of the dissertation however, is to allow you to independently design and conduct an original piece of research and analysis.

Career opportunities

- You may also be interested in LLM Law by online learning (see page 19).

The University of Edinburgh is a fantastic institution in a city where there are great historical links with the Enlightenment, with change and with progress, and you have the chance to be part of that when studying at the Law School.

Desmond Woods, LLM International Banking Law & Finance

Law & Chinese

LLM 2 yrs FT

Programme description
You will receive advanced legal training in your chosen subjects, similar to that of a standard LLM programme in the Law School, and this programme is designed to be pursued as part of a joint degree (see page 28) or may be part of the programme. You will also have the opportunity to study the fundamentals of Chinese law and culture, and place them in their social and historical context.

You will experience a range of teaching styles on these courses, led by members of the School’s academic community and the Solicitors Regulation Authority. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed.

Year One
- 40 credits of taught courses
- 80 credits of language training in Modern Standard Chinese
- 20 credits in Chinese culture and politics subjects

Year Two
You will spend semester one improving your Chinese language skills at an institute in China. This part of the programme is coordinated by the School’s China team and you will have the opportunity to study the fundamentals of Chinese law and culture, and place them in their social and historical context.

Year Three
You will study a range of Chinese language courses, led by members of the Law School’s academic community and experienced legal and industry practitioners. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed, and your participation in classes will be assessed.

Career opportunities

- You may also be interested in LLM Medical Law & Ethics by online learning (see page 20).

You have the chance to be part of that when studying at the Law School.
LLM by Research programmes

The LLM by Research presents an excellent opportunity to focus on a period of dedicated research, and is a fantastic bridge to doctoral study. We offer two LLM by Research programmes.

Structure
The structure of the LLM by Research allows you to spend 12 months conducting supervised independent research in a field of your choice. The LLM by Research in Legal Research also combines some taught elements to ensure you obtain a rounded qualification in this specialist area.

Facilities
As a postgraduate research student, you will be able to draw upon a fantastic range of resources and facilities to support your research while at Edinburgh Law School (see page 25). The Law School’s library is one of the best of its kind in the UK, while the University’s Main Library has one of the largest and most important collections in Britain. All Edinburgh postgraduates also have access to the legal collection of the National Library of Scotland.

Funding
Some funding is available for our LLM by Research programmes. We offer ten Tercentenary Awards for Excellence for any candidate on an LLM or MSc programme, which contribute £2,000 towards fees and maintenance for anyone pursuing the LLM by Research in Scots private law. Some funding is available for our LLM by Research programmes.

Residence
As with all on-campus and PhD programmes, you will be expected to live in or close to Edinburgh for the duration of your studies.

LLM by Research 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description
As a student on this programme, you will consolidate and build on the legal research and writing skills you acquired during your undergraduate legal studies, by planning and completing a 30,000 word dissertation. You will work independently but under specialist academic supervision, within your chosen field of law. The topic of your dissertation can be chosen from any of the School’s legal research fields in which we have supervisory expertise, including commercial law, criminal law and evidence, criminology, EU law, IP, media and technology law, international law, legal history and legal theory, medical law, private law, and public law.

Programme structure

Through core, taught courses you will develop an understanding of the basics of legal research, legal scholarship and research methods, while the dissertation allows you to undertake a piece of supervised independent research in which to practice these skills. Your dissertation topic may be chosen from any of the Law School’s research fields in which we have supervisory expertise, including commercial law, criminal law and evidence, criminology, EU law, IP, media and technology law, international law, legal history and legal theory, medical law, private law, and public law.

Entry requirements
A UK 2:1 honours degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry) in law, or another humanities or social science subject.

English language requirements
See page 28.

Fees and funding
For fees see page 28 and for funding information see page 30.

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“The courses offered on the LLM in Legal Research have been incredibly beneficial and have allowed me to develop my research skills considerably.”

Stephanie Law, LLM by Research in Legal Research
Online learning programmes

You can study for an internationally recognised postgraduate qualification from anywhere in the world and at times that suit you.

**Flexibility**

With full-time and part-time study options, and start dates in September and January, online learning offers a flexible way to study a postgraduate programme in law, while maintaining professional and personal commitments. We offer six masters (LLM) programmes that can be studied over 12, 20, 24, 32 or 36 months and a Postgraduate Certificate in Law that can be studied over 12 or 20 months.

**Subject areas**

Our programmes are some of the richest in the global market, in terms of quality and breadth, with course options covering the fields of international commercial law, intellectual property, innovation, technology and medical ethics. With more than 20 courses to choose from, you can tailor your LLM degree to meet your professional and personal interests. We offer a highly participative learning environment, which is both supportive and intellectually stimulating. Students join from all over the world, investing their rich diversity of professional and academic experience in a truly international learning community.

**Learning and teaching online**

Our online learning programmes are delivered entirely online via our virtual learning environment. Learning and teaching happen asynchronously, enabling you to fit your studies around work and other commitments, studying at times and in places convenient to you.

Our teaching approach emphasises and supports participation in learning activities. Tutors are present in the online discussions, and are contactable directly or via a dedicated online learning support team.

We strongly believe that students on our programmes can learn a great deal from each other. Our students welcome the exchange of views and experience, and value the different perspectives and diversity of fellow students. The more you can engage with other learners and your tutors, the more productive and enjoyable your learning will be.

**Career opportunities**

Graduates of our online learning programmes progress to a range of careers in law and related legal fields, including work in local and international firms, government legal departments, other public institutions, international organisations and in academia. The programmes are also an ideal platform for advanced research.

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**Information Technology Law**

Information Technology Law

LLM 1 yr FT (20 mths)/32 mths/2 yrs/3 yrs PT

**Programme description**

This programme focuses on the regulatory framework that governs information technology within international, European and domestic settings.

The programme is highly topical, exploring the second generation – and sometimes even third generation – of regulation that has evolved from the legal framework of the early 2000s. New developments in technology are also a key focus, as these force us to constantly review the very concept of information technology and appropriate legal responses. Information technology regulation operates across jurisdictions, and a cross-fertilisation of regulatory responses occurs at the interface between domestic, regional and international law. Our aim is to enable you to understand this cross-fertilisation, to be able to contextualise it and place yourself within it.

**Programme structure**

To be awarded LLM Information Technology Law, you must successfully complete six courses, four of which must be compulsory courses, and a 10,000-word dissertation during your chosen duration of study.

During your studies you will also have the opportunity to study up to two modules from different subject areas such as intellectual property law, medical law or international commercial law.

Detailed information about the programme and your course options can be found online.

**Entry requirements**

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry). Your degree does not have to be in the subject of law, but it must be from a recognised higher education institution. We will also consider your other qualifications and professional experience as part of your application.

**English language requirements**

See page 28.

**Fees and funding**

For fees see page 28 and for funding information see page 30.

**Deposit policy**

Applicants receiving an unconditional offer of admission will be asked to pay a deposit of £1,000 within 28 days, or by the start of the orientation period, to secure their place on the programme. The deposit fee amount will be deducted from the tuition fee payable.

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Online learning programmes

Innovation, Technology & The Law

LLM 1 yr FT (20 mths/32 mths/2 yrs/3 yrs PT)

Programme description
This unique and internationally focused LLM programme explores how the law responds to, regulates, and promotes new and emerging technologies. Innovative technologies and convergence in technologies are causing unprecedented societal change. New legal issues are arising, and new regulatory responses emerging. The law can help – or hinder – society’s ability to reap the optimal rewards from technological development.

Across the programme you will study different modes of regulation – the law, the markets, the technology itself – and critically analyse the advantages and disadvantages of each. The potential of technology to support legal and judicial processes is also examined.

This LLM will enable you to develop an advanced knowledge of domains where law engages with technology, awareness of the problems in the area and understanding of the differing approaches to their solution.

Programme structure
To be awarded LLM Innovation, Technology & The Law you must successfully complete six courses, five of which must be compulsory courses, and a 10,000-word dissertation during your chosen duration of study.

Our broad range of courses covers the areas of information technology law, intellectual property law, and medical law. During your studies you may also have the opportunity to study up to two courses from different subject areas such as information technology law, medical law or international commercial law.

Detailed information about the programme and your course options can be found online.

Entry requirements
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English language requirements
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Fees and funding
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International Commercial Law & Practice

LLM 32 mths/2 yrs/3 yrs PT

Programme description
This programme enables you to develop a fully rounded understanding of intellectual property (IP) rights.

The programme aims to equip students with an advanced knowledge and understanding of IP law and policy within a domestic (UK), regional (European) and international context.

The programme covers substantive law on all of the major IP rights, including copyright, design, trade marks, and patents, as well as confidentiality, passing off, database rights and other IP protection.

The programme also addresses the international treaties that govern IP law, legal aspects of commercialising and enforcing IP and a range of topical legal and policy issues.

Programme structure
To be awarded LLM Intellectual Property Law you must successfully complete six courses, four of which must be IP law courses, and a 10,000-word dissertation during your chosen duration of study.

During your studies you will also have the opportunity to study up to two courses from different subject areas such as information technology law, medical law or international commercial law.

Detailed information about the programme and your course options can be found online.

Entry requirements
A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry). Your degree does not have to be in the subject of law, but it must be from a recognised higher education institution. We will also consider your other qualifications and professional experience as part of your application.

English language requirements
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Fees and funding
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International Commercial Law

LLM 1 yr FT (20 mths/32 mths/2 yrs/3 yrs PT)

Programme description
This programme aims to provide you with a deeper understanding of how international commercial law operates in practice, with a range of course options that reflect the interests, experience and industry focus of our academic staff.

Globalisation and developments in technology have led to a marked increase in international trade in goods and services, in international investment, and in the development of global financial markets. In parallel, the world of international commerce has seen major growth in the regulation of commercial activity at a national and international level, and in international litigation and arbitration. This LLM aims to help you understand the international context in which business currently operates.

The programme focuses on the legal responses to the developments shaping international commerce today, as lawyers and business professionals are increasingly required to look beyond domestic law to find solutions appropriate to their international business needs and opportunities.

Programme structure
To be awarded LLM International Commercial Law & Practice, you must successfully complete six courses, four of which must be compulsory courses, and a 10,000-word dissertation during your chosen duration of study.

During your studies you will also have the opportunity to study up to two courses from different subject areas such as information technology law, intellectual property law and medical law.

Detailed information about the programme and your course options can be found online.

Entry requirements
A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry). Your degree does not have to be in the subject of law, but it must be from a recognised higher education institution. We will also consider your other qualifications and professional experience as part of your application.

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Fees and funding
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International Commercial Law

LLM 32 mths/2 yrs/3 yrs PT

Programme description
This programme offers an exciting and flexible range of courses, enabling you to tailor the LLM to suit your specific professional and personal needs.

To be effective on the international stage, legal professionals, business people and policymakers need to understand different legal cultures and ways of operating and communicating within alternative business contexts and regulatory frameworks. This programme provides an ideal learning environment for such individuals to develop the skills and knowledge upon which further study or a relevant career can be built.

The programme spans foundational issues in areas of law, including: commercial law; information technology law; intellectual property law; and medical law.

Programme structure
To be awarded LLM Law you must successfully complete six courses and a 10,000-word dissertation during your chosen duration of study.

During your studies you will have the opportunity to study courses from a range of subject areas. Detailed information about the programme and your course options can be found online.

Entry requirements
A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry). Your degree does not have to be in the subject of law, but it must be from a recognised higher education institution. We will also consider your other qualifications and professional experience as part of your application.

English language requirements
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Fees and funding
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Deposit policy
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“...This is an excellent and high-quality Master of Laws programme offered by one of the most prestigious universities in the world. I would strongly recommend it to anybody considering an off-campus LLM.”

Recent graduate, LLM in Intellectual Property Law

(online learning)
Online learning programmes

Medical Law & Ethics

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs)/3 yrs PT

Programme description
This programme draws on the expertise and tradition of Edinburgh to deliver an internationally focused, interdisciplinary programme that combines flexible learning with the most up-to-date teaching on all of the important issues affecting medicine, law and ethics today.

Medical law is a fascinating field of study as advances in medical research and new technologies shift the boundaries of medicine. New health issues are emerging and patient rights are increasingly taking centre stage. New and complex medico-legal dilemmas arise in clinical practice, in the realities of human health, and in the relationships between patients and healthcare professionals.

The programme enables you to explore the international and interdisciplinary dimensions of medical law and ethics. You will have opportunities to examine healthcare policy and the regulation of medicine in different parts of the world. You will also evaluate responses to technology and debate possible futures for medical law.

Applications are welcomed from legal professionals and healthcare professionals, including doctors and nurses, and from all those with an interest in this area.

Programme structure
To be awarded LLM Medical Law & Ethics you must successfully complete six courses, four of which must be compulsory courses, and a 10,000-word dissertation during your chosen duration of study.

During your studies you will also have the opportunity to study up to two courses from different subject areas such as information technology law, intellectual property law, or international commercial law.

Detailed information about the programme and your course options can be found online.

Entry requirements
A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry). Your degree does not have to be in the subject of law, but it must be from a recognised higher education institution. We will also consider your other qualifications and professional experience as part of your application.

English language requirements
See page 28.

Fees and funding
For fees see page 28 and for funding information see page 30.

Deposit policy
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Postgraduate Certificate in Law

PgCert 12 mths FT (20 mths PT)

Programme description
This certificate provides an ideal learning environment for legal professionals, policy makers and professionals in both the public and private sectors to develop skills and knowledge in relation to legal matters which impact on their work. It also offers a flexible route to further postgraduate study as successful students can choose to transfer credits gained to one of our LLM programmes.

The programme enables you to engage with a range of subject areas within the discipline, which may include: commercial law; information technology law; intellectual property law; and medical law.

Programme structure
You must complete three masters-level courses to be awarded the Postgraduate Certificate in Law.

Upon successful completion of the programme, you will have the option of graduating with the certificate or continuing your studies through a facilitated transfer onto one of the Edinburgh Law School's LLM programmes by online learning.

Detailed information about the programme and your course options can be found online.

Entry requirements
A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry). Your degree does not have to be in the subject of law, but it must be from a recognised higher education institution. We will also consider your other qualifications and professional experience as part of your application.

English language requirements
See page 28.

Fees and funding
For fees see page 28 and for funding information see page 30.

Deposit policy
Applicants receiving an unconditional offer of admission will be asked to pay a deposit of £500 within 28 days, or by the start of the orientation period, to secure their place on the programme. The deposit fee amount will be deducted from the tuition fee payable.

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“arh quality of the programme, the small-group environment, and involvement of teaching staff, sets a high bar even for a face-to-face programme. The Law School at the University of Edinburgh delivers a world-class LLM in Medical Law & Ethics.”

Mark Davies, LLM Medical Law & Ethics (online learning) 2013
Research opportunities

Edinburgh Law School is renowned for its research excellence. We strive to produce work that has real-world reach and influence. Our postgraduate researchers are key to the School’s research activities and we work hard to ensure that our research students are fully engaged with staff and projects across all our legal disciplines.

A dynamic environment
If you are considering following an academic research career, Edinburgh Law School can provide a supportive and inspiring environment to help you take your first steps towards carving out your own research specialism. In the 2014 Research Excellence Framework we were ranked 4th in the UK for the breadth and quality of our research. We have research excellence in a vibrant range of fields, spanning an exciting spectrum of law, socio-legal studies and criminology.

You’ll find opportunities in the following fields: company and commercial law; comparative law; constitutional and administrative law; criminal law; criminology and criminal justice; environmental law; European law; policy and institutions; European private law; international law; labour law; legal theory; media law; medical law and ethics; obligations, contract delict, unjustified enrichment; property, trusts and successions; Roman law and legal history; socio-legal studies; and tax law.

You will be encouraged to work alongside our highly regarded research communities and centres, which include:

- Centre for Law and Society
- Centre for Legal History
- Centre for Legal Theory
- Edinburgh Centre for Commercial Law
- Edinburgh Centre for Constitutional Law
- Edinburgh Centre for Private Law
- Empirical Legal Research Network
- Europa Institute
- Global Justice Academy
- Mason Institute for Medicine, Life Sciences & the Law
- Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research (SCCJR)
- SCRIPT Centre for IP & Technology Law
- Scottish Centre for International Law
- Centre for Legal History
- Centre for Legal History

Research programmes
The first step towards an academic research career is the three-year PhD, but you may wish to consider one of our one-year LLM by Research programmes (page 14) as a stepping stone towards doctoral study.

Entry requirements
A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, arts or social sciences, and a UK masters degree with a strong mark in the dissertation, or their international equivalents. ([www.ed.ac.uk/international]/graduate-entry).

Fees and funding
For up-to-date information about funded PhD studentships or scholarships, please visit: [www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/scholarships]

Case study: Edinburgh’s research with impact

Reforming police practice in Scotland: stop and search

A PhD project conducted by Dr Kath Murray from Edinburgh Law School examined Scottish stop and search practices and led to a complete reform of police practice in Scotland.

Project background
Kath Murray’s PhD, The Proactive Turn: Stop and Search in Scotland, examined stop and search practices in Scotland and the effects of search encounters on public attitudes towards the police.

The aim of the project was to deepen understanding of stop and search in a Scottish context. The project examined the expansion of search powers in the post-war period; the contemporary patterning of stop and search; the ways in which stop and search is regulated and accounted for; and the politics and policies that underpin search practices.

Project results
The analysis of data from 2005 to 2010 showed that police use of stop and search in Glasgow was higher than in New York or London and that it was disproportionately weighted towards children and young people.

Dr Murray’s findings were shared with the police and the Scottish Government and publicised through the Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research (SCCJR). An Independent Advisory Group report credited Murray with bringing the matter forward for political debate and led the UN Human Rights Committee to call on the Scottish Government to end unlawful and disproportionate stop and searches.

In 2015 the Scottish Government passed the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill 2015, which abolished non-statutory stop and search, and enhanced scrutiny arrangements.

Dr Murray’s outstanding contribution to real-world change was recognised when she was awarded the ESRC/SAGE Outstanding Early Career Impact Award in 2016.

See more online: [www.ed.ac.uk/research/impact]
About Edinburgh Law School

Edinburgh Law School was established in 1707. For more than 300 years we have been at the heart of legal education and research, and renowned for our international and interdisciplinary outlook.

Situated in the heart of Scotland’s cosmopolitan capital, we are a law school with a truly international and interdisciplinary outlook. We value academic excellence in legal scholarship, led by world-leading educators and researchers as they inspire change locally as well as globally, and attract the world’s brightest legal minds.

World leading research

Edinburgh Law School was ranked first in Scotland and fourth in the UK in the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014, acknowledging the breadth and quality of our research output. Overall, 77 per cent of our research was rated as world leading or internationally excellent.

Our research has a true impact on people and communities. One of our recently completed doctoral theses led to a change in the police practice of stop and search, while the work of one of our academics has been cited as hugely influential on the Colombian peace process. Our people produce an extraordinary range of scholarly and policy-oriented publications, shaping legal and social changes in Scotland, Europe and beyond.

Enlightened scholarship

Our research excellence is reflected in our teaching. Our programmes are research-led with a focus on real-world relevance. This means that whichever path of study you choose, you can be confident that the course material is drawn from the most up-to-date research available.

At the heart of the city

Edinburgh Law School is based in the city centre, a few minutes’ walk from many of Edinburgh’s famous attractions. We are also situated right in the heart of Scotland’s legal community, a short walk from the Sheriff and Crown Courts. We are within easy walking distance of Scotland’s legislative centre, the Scottish Parliament.

Career success

Our alumni include two of the 12 current UK Supreme Court Justices, the current Lord Advocate and Julia Sebastinide, the first African woman to sit on the International Court of Justice.


Studying on one of our programmes will allow you to benefit from our exceptional professional and research links to ensure that you have access to a wealth of opportunities. Our specialist law careers consultant will be able to offer you targeted advice to prepare for your next steps once you complete your studies.

Facilities and resources

Postgraduates at Edinburgh can take advantage of a wealth of facilities and resources to support their studies.

Libraries

Our library is the beating heart of our school and enjoys an international reputation, due to the scale and significance of its collection. The library not only offers an enviable collection of books, journals and reference materials, but also dedicated study space. It is one of the largest Law libraries in the UK and houses the library of the Europa Institute, an outstanding European Documentation Centre holding a vast collection of legal, criminological and European materials. Postgraduates are also provided with full access to all of the University of Edinburgh’s libraries, including the Main Library, which boasts one of the largest and most important collections in Britain.

You will also be just a few minutes’ walk from the National Library of Scotland – a legal deposit library holding seven million books, 14 million printed items and more than two million maps.

IT support

You will have access to all the University’s computing facilities and IT support. The Main Library offers a laptop loan system and our postgraduates also have extensive, free access to online legal research facilities including LexisNexis, Westlaw and electronic journals.

Events

The School hosts an exciting programme of events, including public lectures and conferences that regularly attract high profile speakers. We also run numerous workshops, seminars and discussion groups. We actively encourage our postgraduate students to become involved in these sessions and welcome input and ideas for future events.

Collections of the University

The University of Edinburgh has one of the world’s great collections, which has been growing ever since its foundation in 1583. Our collections include rare books, archives and manuscripts, art, historical musical instruments and a wide range of museum objects from geological specimens to anatomical models. If laid out end to end, we could have almost 60 kilometres of shelving and storage space devoted to our heritage material, from 1st-century Greek papyrus fragments to new works of sculpture. This is curated by specialist staff across 45 sites and used for our teaching and research and by the wider public community.

The Centre for Research Collections in the Main Library is the hub for all our collections, where specialist curators make them available for study, research and pleasure. Postgraduate students are welcome to study original objects and have made many important research discoveries while working on the archives. You will find an incredible range of material in our collections that is available nowhere else in the world.

“I decided to come to the University of Edinburgh because of the close contact I could have with some of the world’s most important researchers in my area. I’m sure I couldn’t learn as much anywhere else, because of the deep expertise in different themes.”

João Paulo Miranda, LLM in Global Environment & Climate Change Law
**Community**

By studying at Edinburgh Law School, you’ll join a vibrant, active community of world leading researchers, legal professionals and students at all stages of their education. You’ll study in a supportive, inclusive and scholarly environment in which you can nurture your educational and professional development.

### Broadening horizons

Our postgraduate community is made up of people from a variety of backgrounds and experiences, making it a diverse and welcoming place to study. Whatever your discipline, culture or career trajectory, Edinburgh Law School is guaranteed to provide you with a learning experience that will challenge your perspectives and expand your horizons.

### Expertise at hand

Our programmes are each run by a Director with expertise in the relevant field. The courses available within our programmes are constantly updated according to the latest legal research, much of which is generated through our own research communities. These communities and centres include:

- Edinburgh Centre for Private Law
- Edinburgh Centre for Constitutional Law
- Centre for Law and Society
- SCRIPT Centre for IPR and Technology Law
- the Europa Institute
- the Scottish Centre for International Law
- Edinburgh Centre for Commercial Law
- the Centre for Legal History
- the Mason Institute for Medicine, Life Sciences & the Law
- the Global Justice Academy.

Our research communities attract visitors and speakers from around the world, who lend their expertise to our postgraduate provision. For more information please see: www.ed.ac.uk/research

### Reading groups

Reading groups related to our research fields meet on a regular basis to discuss the latest issues, papers and research outcomes. Run by members of the postgraduate community, these groups offer a valuable chance to network with students from different programmes and communities. The reading groups also organise regular workshops and seminars, bringing together members of postgraduate communities from Edinburgh and beyond.

Online learning

Online learners are immersed in a highly interactive, scholarly learning environment. Each individual brings a rich diversity of knowledge and experience, and draws on this when analysing, reflecting on and debating fundamental issues and topical developments in the law. Consequently, as our students engage and learn with each other and their tutors, they contribute to a dynamic community of learning characterised by intellectual stimulation and supportive collaboration between peers.

### Postgraduate committee

All postgraduate students have the chance to liaise with staff and coordinate student research and teaching activities in relation to their programmes. A representative from each postgraduate programme will be elected to sit on the School’s staff/student liaison committee, which makes a valuable contribution to the community spirit within the School.

### Edinburgh Student Law Review

The Edinburgh Student Law Review is the first publication of its kind in Scotland. Managed and written entirely by the School’s student body, this annual journal provides a forum for law students to engage in a more analytical approach to the subject. Students from all levels and legal disciplines are encouraged to submit articles, case notes and updates for publication in the Review.

### Connections for life

During your studies you will automatically become a member of the Edinburgh Law Postgraduate Hub, a student-led group supported by the Law School, which organises events and activities to encourage postgraduates to get involved and to know each other. Edinburgh Law Connections is another student-led community exclusively serving law postgraduates. It actively encourages networking between students and postgraduate alumni.

### Employability and graduate attributes

Graduating with a postgraduate qualification in law from Edinburgh not only provides you with a world-class degree, highly desired by employers across the globe, but it also ensures that you have the skills needed to succeed in any career.

As well as serving as an excellent stepping stone to further study, our research and teaching activities are focused on enabling you to develop essential transferable skills. As a student, you will develop your skills and gain new experiences that will help you stand out in a competitive employment market.

### Institute for Academic Development

All postgraduate students can benefit from our Institute for Academic Development (IAD), which provides information, events and courses to develop the skills you will need throughout your studies and in the future. IAD events also offer the perfect opportunity to meet and network with other postgraduates from across the University.

Further information is available online: www.ed.ac.uk/iad/postgraduates

For taught postgraduates, IAD provides a popular study-related and transferable skills support programme. It is designed to help you settle into postgraduate life, succeed during your studies and move confidently to the next stage of your career. We offer on-campus and online workshops and one-to-one study skills consultations, plus online advice and learning materials. Workshops and learning resources cover key topics tailored to different academic stages, including getting started with your studies; critical reading, writing and thinking; managing your exams; and planning for and writing up your dissertation.

IAD also provides a comprehensive programme of transferable skills training, resources and support for researchers completing a doctorate. The workshop programme is designed to help you successfully prepare for the various milestones of your PhD, from getting started with your research, to writing up and preparing for the viva.

Workshops cover topics such as writing skills, reference management, statistics, preparing for conferences, delivering presentations, time and project management, and personal development. IAD also offers online resources and planning tools to help get your research started, plus support for tutoring and demonstrating, and research public engagement and communication.

### Careers Service

Our Careers Service plays an essential part in your wider student experience at the University, offering a range of tailored careers and personal development guidance and support. We support you to recognise the wealth of possibilities ahead, while at university and after graduation, helping you explore new avenues, tap into your talents and build your employability with confidence and enthusiasm.

We provide specialist support for postgraduate students. From exploring career options to making decisions, from CV writing to interview practice, from Employ Edinburgh internships to graduate posts and from careers fairs to postgraduate alumni events, we help you prepare for the future.

We sustain and continually develop links with employers from all industries and employment sectors, from the world’s top recruiters to small enterprises based here in Edinburgh. Our employer team provides a programme of opportunities for you to meet employers on campus and virtually, and advertises a wide range of part-time and graduate jobs.

More information: www.ed.ac.uk/careers

### Connect.ed

Edinburgh encourages its alumni to stay in touch with current students who share an academic background or are interested in a similar career path. Connect.ed is a networking system run by the Careers Service that provides an informal and confidential opportunity for alumni to share their occupational knowledge and experience with current students, who can contact them for advice and guidance on their future career.

More information: www.ed.ac.uk/connected

### LAUNCH.ed

LAUNCH.ed is the University’s award-winning programme for student entrepreneurs. Each year, LAUNCH.ed works with hundreds of students to assess their ideas and develop their business skills and helps many start their businesses. We have helped Edinburgh students and alumni launch almost 100 new businesses in the last three years, ranging from language tuition to robotics companies.

More information: www.LAUNCH.ed.ac.uk

### Combining career and study

Many of our postgraduate students may be seeking further study to enhance an existing career and we offer a range of online learning programmes to enable students to further their studies, while balancing work or other commitments.

Graduates of our online learning programmes flourish in a range of careers in law and related legal fields, including work in local and international firms, government legal departments, other public institutions, international organisations and academia. The programmes are also an ideal platform for advanced research.

More information: www.ed.ac.uk/careers

Online learning programmes are listed from page 17.
Applications and fees

We have an online application process for all postgraduate programmes. It’s a straightforward system with full instructions, including details of any supporting documentation you need to submit.

When applying, you will set up an account, which lets you save your application and continue at any time. Full guidance on our application system: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/applying

General requirements

Our usual minimum entrance requirement for postgraduate study is a UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/graduate-entry), in a subject related to your chosen programme. You will also need to meet the University’s language requirements (see below).

Entry requirements for individual programmes can vary, so please check the details for the specific programme you wish to apply for.

References

For applications to taught programmes, the normal requirement is one reference, although an additional reference may be requested in individual cases. For applications to research programmes, two references are required. You should check the entry online for exact requirements for your intended programme of study.

For general guidance on references, visit: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/references

Deadlines

We recommend that you apply as early as possible, especially if you need to meet any scholarship deadlines and take any English language tests. We monitor application numbers carefully to ensure we are able to accommodate all those who receive offers. It may therefore be necessary to close a programme earlier than the published deadlines below. If this is the case, we will place advance notice on the relevant programme page online.

On-campus masters

Applications for the on-campus taught LLM programmes are considered up until 30 June 2018, with the exception of the high-demand programmes, LLM Human Rights and LLM International Banking Law & Finance, which will be considered until 30th April 2018. Applications for the on-campus MSc and LLM by research programmes are considered until 31 July 2018.

Online learning

The deadline for September 2018 entry is 10 July 2018 and the deadline for January 2019 applications is 13 November 2018.

PhD

PhD applications may be made at any time of the year. We encourage our students to begin studies at the start of the new academic year in mid-September, where possible, so that you may take full advantage of our Doctoral Research Training Programme. This applies especially to applicants in the early stages of their research careers. If you intend to apply for funding please note that your application for study must be submitted before the scholarship closing date.

English language requirements

Postgraduate study in the field of law requires a thorough, complex and demanding knowledge of English, so we ask that the communication skills of all students are at the same minimum standard. Students whose first language is not English must therefore show evidence of one of the following qualifications below:

- IELTS: total 7.0 (at least 6.5 in each module).
- TOEFL iBT: total 100 (at least 23 in each module).
- ISE III (with a pass in all four components).

Please note:

- English language requirements can be affected by government policy so please ensure you visit our degree finder to check the latest requirements for your programme: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/degrees
- Your English language certificate must be no more than two years old at the beginning of your programme.
- We also accept recent degree-level study that was taught and assessed in English in a majority English-speaking country (as defined by UK Visas & Immigration).

Abbreviations: IELTS − International English Language Testing System; TOEFL-iBT − Test of English as a Foreign Language Internet-Based Test; PTE(A) − Pearson Test of English [Academic]; CPE − Certificate of Proficiency in English; CAE − Certificate in Advanced English; Trinity ISE II − Integrated Skills in English.

www.ed.ac.uk/english-requirements.jpg

Tuition fees

The following table provides an overview of indicative fee levels for programmes commencing in 2018.

Figures marked * show the fee level set for the 2017/18 academic year. All other figures are indicative of expected fee levels for your studies during the 2018/19 academic year. Because these figures are indicative, it is important you check online before you apply and check the up-to-date fee level that will apply to your specific programme: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/tuition-fees/postgraduate

Please note:

• International students starting full-time taught programmes of study lasting more than one year will be charged a fixed annual fee.
• All other students on full-time and part-time programmes of study lasting more than one year should be aware that annual tuition fees are subject to revision and are typically increased by approximately five per cent per annum. This annual increase should be taken into account when you are applying for a programme.
• In addition to tuition fees, your programme may be subject to an application fee and additional costs/programme costs may apply. Please check the latest programme information online.

Tuition fees for EU students

EU students enrolling in the 2018/19 academic year will be admitted as Scottish/ EU fee status students. Taught masters students will be eligible for the same tuition support as Scottish domiciled students from the Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS).

For UK/EU students

Annual fee

| LLM (and MSc Global Crime, Justice & Security) | £11,500 |
| LLM (and MSc Global Crime, Justice & Security) 2-years FT | £5,750 |
| All other MSc 1-year FT | £10,100 |
| All other MSc 2-years PT | £5,050 |
| LLM by Research 1-year FT | £10,100 |
| LLM by Research 2-years FT | £5,050 |
| PhD 3-years FT | £4,195* |
| PhD 6-years PT | £2,098* |

Online Learning

Annual fee

| LLM 1-year FT | £10,500 |
| LLM 2-years/20 months PT | £9,750 |
| LLM 3-years/32 months PT | £6,500 |
| PgCert FT | £6,500 |
| PgCert PT | £3,250 |

For international students

Annual fee

| LLM (and MSc Global Crime, Justice & Security) 1-year FT | £20,500 |
| All other MSc 1-year FT | £20,500 |
| LLM by Research 1-year FT | £20,500 |
| PhD 3-years FT | £18,000 |

* Figure shown is the 2017/18 fee level
All other fees quoted are indicative of 2018/19 fee levels. Because these figures are indicative, it is important you check online before you apply and check the up-to-date fee level that will apply to your specific programme: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/tuition-fees/postgraduate

www.law.ed.ac.uk

The University of Edinburgh
Law Postgraduate Opportunities 2018
A large number of scholarships, loans and other funding schemes are available for your postgraduate studies. It is only possible to show a small selection in print. To see the full range, please visit: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate

**Awards are offered by Edinburgh Law School, the College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences, the University of Edinburgh, the Scottish, UK and international governments and many funding bodies.**

Here we list a selection of potential sources of financial support for postgraduate students applying to Edinburgh Law School. This list was correct at the time of printing but please check the full and up to date online (see above).

**Tuition fee discounts**
We offer a 10 per cent discount on postgraduate fees for all alumni who have graduated with an undergraduate degree from the University. We also offer a 10 per cent discount for international graduates who spent at least one semester at the University of Edinburgh as a visiting undergraduate: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/discounts

**Scholarships at the University of Edinburgh**
- **Beit Trust**
  Beit Trust and the University of Edinburgh's behalf to open the doors to students from Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe to undertake a masters: www.beittrust.org.uk
- **Cameroon Scholarship in Comparative and European Private Law LLM**
  One scholarship for a student studying full-time for the LLM in Comparative and European Private Law: www.law.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/scholarships

"Being a recipient of the Africa Tercentenary Scholarship was a huge privilege. It afforded me the rare opportunity to pursue an LLM degree with financial ease. I am now effectivly poised to fulfil my goal of practising as a highly skilled lawyer in a reputable law firm and ultimately being a strong force for justice and the rule of law. I am eternally thankful for the scholarship award."

Dolapo Sayeedat Ayoola, LLM Law, Africa Tercentenary Award
Edinburgh Law School has relocated to David Hume Tower until summer 2018 while parts of our iconic Old College home undergo significant refurbishment. Teaching will remain at the heart of the Central Area, close to University and city-centre amenities. PhD students will remain in Old College.

Contact us
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Postgraduate Office (Taught)
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For more information about our online learning programmes, please contact:
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Distance Learning, Communications and Student Recruitment
Tel +44 (0)131 650 7129
Email llm.distance@ed.ac.uk
www.law.ed.ac.uk/distancelearning

For more information about applying for a PhD or LLM by Research, please contact:
Postgraduate Office (Research)
Email phd.law@ed.ac.uk

Visit us
Our Postgraduate Open Day is your opportunity to come and meet current staff and students. Our next campus-based Open Day takes place in the University on 15 November 2017. For more information, visit:
www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate-open-day

Our visits to you
If you are unable to visit the University, we attend events throughout the year so you can meet and speak to us in person.

UK and Europe: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/uk-eu-events
International: www.ed.ac.uk/international/our-visits-overseas

Chat online
We offer all postgraduate students monthly online information sessions. To find out more and see when the next session will be: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduateonline-events

For international students, Edinburgh Global runs two online chat sessions each month. These are timed to give students in all timezones a chance to get involved. You can find out more and register online: www.ed.ac.uk/international/chat-to-us-online

Detailed maps can be found at:
www.ed.ac.uk/maps
On 23 June 2016 the UK electorate voted in a national referendum to leave the European Union. At the time of going to print, there was no immediate, material change known that would impact on applicants for 2018 entry. However we recommend that you check online for the latest information before you apply: www.ed.ac.uk/news/eu

The University’s standard terms and conditions will form an essential part of any contract between the University of Edinburgh and any student offered a place here. Our full terms and conditions are available online: www.ed.ac.uk/student-recruitment/terms-conditions

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