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جامعة سان جوزف دبي

The background of the entire page is a photograph. It shows a person in a dark suit and white shirt, with their hand pointing towards a document. In the foreground, a golden scale of justice is visible, resting on a white surface. The scale is slightly out of focus, while the person's hand and the document are sharper. The document appears to be a legal or academic text.

LLM IN BUSINESS LAW

LAW SCHOOL DUBAI

INTRODUCTION

The LLM in Business Law at Saint Joseph University Dubai aims at providing solid legal knowledge and skills to students and legal professionals to boost up their careers in the corporate field.

The Program exposes the students to specialized topics and techniques in connection with complex legal concepts in Business Law. It requires students to analyze advanced scholarly knowledge and master analytical and writing skills, especially for negotiating and drafting legal documents.

The program is designed to familiarize the students with the rules and practices of Business Law, in both local and international dimensions, and give them the ability to adapt to various legal systems.

All courses are interactive lectures conducted by highly qualified law professors and renowned legal practitioners from top international law firms. This gives the students a precious opportunity to meet and get acquainted with experts and professionals from the legal industry.



LLM ADMISSION CRITERIA

Academic Requirements

- **Bachelor Degree**

- **Bachelor Degree in Law**

- Holders of a bachelor degree in law should pass an interview to assess their readiness for the program.

- **Equivalent Diploma**

- Holders of a relevant bachelor's degree should pass an interview with the program director to assess their legal knowledge and should complete a pre-requisite course of Introduction to Law prior to joining the LLM Program.

- **A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a scale of 4.0 or its established equivalent**

Language Requirements

All candidates must have a valid English Proficiency Score: IELTS 6, TOFEL (PBT) 498, EmSAT 1400, or equivalent.



Conditional Admission

Applicants who do not meet the GPA requirement will be considered for conditional admission for their first semester. This applies to candidates who have a minimum GPA of 2.5 (American System) or its established equivalent. They shall take a maximum of 12 ECTS credit hours and must keep a good academic standing throughout the first semester of study in order to continue their studies.

Applicants who do not meet the English proficiency requirement will be considered for Conditional Admission and shall enroll in a maximum of 12 credits in the first semester of study and achieve a valid score of English language test.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Module		COURSES	CREDITS	Term
Module 1	TECHNOLOGY LAW	Intellectual Property Law	6	1
		Digital Technologies, Privacy and Security	4	2
Module 2	INTERNATIONAL ENERGY & INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRACTS	Drafting and Negotiating International Oil and Gas Service Contracts	4	1
		International Energy Disputes Resolution	4	2
Module 3	CORPORATE LAW	Company Law	4	1
		Mergers and Acquisitions	4	1
		Corporate Governance	4	2
		Corporate and Financial Crimes	4	1
Module 4	BANKING AND FINANCE LAW	Banking Law and Islamic Finance	6	2
		Capital Markets	6	2
Module 5	RESEARCH PROJECT	Academic Research	14	
		Professional Research		

MODULES DESCRIPTION

Module 1: TECHNOLOGY LAW

This module has been designed to empower the students to master legal technology and understand issues related to this relatively new field.

The first course of the module (**Intellectual Property Law**) covers a traditional aspect of technology law related to intellectual property rights. It explores topics related to creative works, patents, copyrights and trademarks.

The second course of the module (**Digital technologies, privacy and security**) focuses on a new emerging aspect of technology law derived from the use of digital and internet technologies. The aim of the course is to explore the current legal framework dealing with digital rights, data protection and cybercrimes.

Module 2: INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRACTS

This module is about international transactions in the energy and infrastructure sector. Among the many different types of international contracts in the business field, this sector has seen the most recent growth, particularly in the UAE, which is a leading international energy producer and investor.

This module goes through the various phases of international energy and infrastructure contracts, covering the negotiation and drafting of large-scale international energy and infrastructure projects (**Drafting and negotiating international oil and gas service contracts**), as well as the resolution of disputes related to this industry (**International energy dispute resolution**).

Module 3: CORPORATE LAW

The module consists of four related courses. The first course (Company Law) addresses the share capital structure and maintenance rules and investigates certain key legal issues surrounding the separation of ownership from control. The second course (**Mergers and Acquisitions**) explores corporate restructuring through mergers and acquisitions deals, which constitute one of the major law firm's practices in the corporate field. The third course (**Corporate Governance**) focuses on corporate governance rules and key governance issues of public companies. The last course (**Corporate and Financial Crimes**) deals with some of the main corporate and financial crimes by addressing their constituent elements, their evolution and the challenges of the legal and policy response.



Module 4: BANKING AND FINANCE LAW

The aim of this module is to provide the students with the fundamentals of domestic and international banking and financial law and the heavy regulations surrounding financial institutions and transactions.

The module includes two complimentary courses. The first one (**Banking and Islamic Finance**) focuses on the regulatory frameworks in which banks operate, as well as the principles of Islamic finance. The second course (**Capital Markets**) examines the functioning of financial markets and their regulation.



Module 5: RESEARCH PROJECT

This module aims at enabling the student to develop writing and analytical skills and research abilities. It includes two options :

- 1- **Academic Research Project** : this option requires students to complete a research thesis in their last term and allow them, if they wish, to pursue a PhD or enter a career in research.
- 2- **Professional Research Project** : this is a more practice oriented option that is designed to give students both academic and professional knowledge for entry into the workplace. It includes an internship of at least 6 weeks ending with a research project where the student investigates a specific topic related to the legal issues that have come across in his professional activity and to the thematic of the LLM courses.

For more information about the admission requirements and scholarship programs, please visit our website www.usj.edu.lb/dubai or contact us at: **+971-4-4380630**

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