

Master Programme 2015-16

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LL.M. Legal Theory

Study Plan

(version 2015 02 20)

time of year	module	topic / location / teacher	
Oct. 5-9		Mobility Window	Brno
		Optional Preparatory School: "Legal Writing and Information Management"	
Oct. 12		Beginning of module A, see below {also beginning of regular fall term classes at GU}	Frankfurt
Oct. 23		general introduction / welcome ceremony	
		welcome address / Dean of the Law Faculty chair / Programme Director (managing)	<i>Ute Sacksofsky</i> <i>Lorenz Schulz</i>
		solemn presentation of the LLM awards to the class 214-15	
		presentation of the award winner of the best Ph.D.-Thesis Award in Legal Theory by the European Academy of Legal Theory	
		Panel discussion: Teaching Legal Essentials in a European Perspective	
		panelists	<i>John Gardner</i> (Oxford) tbc <i>Katja Langenbucher</i> (Frankfurt) tbc <i>Mark van Hoecke</i> (Gent) { <i>Benoît Frydman</i> } (Brussels) tbc { <i>George Pavlakos</i> } (Antwerp)

Nov. 02-06	B	- Responsibility and Technological Progress: Autonomous Cars and Robots Nov. 02-06 gives room for repetition and preparation of module A written examination and the passing of the exam)	<i>Eric Hilgendorf</i> (Würzburg)
Nov 09 - 20		B1 Theory of Comparative Law and European Legal Integration	
Nov 09-13		• Comparative Law	<i>Mark van Hoecke</i> (Gent)
Nov 16-20		• European Legal Integration - Foundations Tutorial: <i>Petra Bard / Dimitrios Koukiadis</i> - The EU regulation on data protection - reform and perspective	<i>Armin von Bogdandy</i> (MPI Heidelberg)
Nov 23-27 Nov. 30-Dec 2 Dec 3-5		C1 (see below) Repetition of module B1 see conference in the context of module B2. Cluster of Excellence "The Formation of Normative Orders"	<i>Spiros Simitis</i> (Frankfurt)
Dec 7-11		B2 Theory of Global Law - General Introduction: The Global Turn in Legal Theory - Global Natural Law & Global Constitutionalism - Global Legal Pluralism & Global Administrative Law - Pragmatic Approach to Global Law - Case Study: Credit Rating Agencies Evaluation (exam.)	<i>Benoît Frydman</i> (Brussels ULB) <i>Greg. Lewkowicz</i> (Brussels ULB)
Nov 23-27	C	C1 part I Methodology in Legal Theory & Legal Research	{ <i>George Pavlakos</i> (Antwerp) <i>Ralf Seinecke</i> (Frankfurt) <i>Marietta Auer</i> }
Dec. 14-18		C2 Legal Reasoning I. Law and Logic: monotonic and non-monotonic reasoning in law Special focus: Defeasability	<i>Samuel Brasil</i> (Vitoria, Brazil) <i>Fred Schauer</i> (Virginia Law School)

Dec. 18		Abduction and Evidence II. Argumentation and Interpretation Reception - Farewell 2015	<i>Lorenz Schulz</i> (Frankfurt) <i>Otto Pfersmann</i> (EHESS, Paris)
Jan 11-13	C1 II	C1 part II Legal Research: • Reviewing the students' papers presenting the topic and design of the Master thesis • Feedback of the teaching in module A-C classes • Student counseling and course guidance concerning modules E and extra curriculum study/research options • Any others technical issues - elective courses (E modules) -	<i>{tbc}</i> <i>{Marietta Auer}</i> (Gießen) <i>George Pavlakos</i> (Antwerp) <i>Ralf Seinecke</i> (Frankfurt)} <i>Lorenz Schulz</i> (Frankfurt)
Jan 13-22	E1	E1: Law and Society • E1a Sociology of Law • Tutorial on Max Weber: <i>Kent Lerch</i> E1b/c • Legal Cultures in a Global Context winter school in Frankfurt, convened by Lucerne	<i>Hubert Rottleuthner</i> (Berlin/Frankfurt) <i>Nicoletta Bersier</i> (Geneva) <i>Jürgen Busch</i> (Vienna) <i>Vagias Karavas</i> (Lucerne) <i>George Pavlakos</i> (Antwerp) <i>Renáta Uitz</i> (Budapest) <i>Lars Vinx</i> (Ankara)
Jan 26 – Febr 6	E2	E2 Cultural Studies and Legal Anthropology • E2a Legal Anthropology: Accommodation of Diversity in Contemporary Societies • E2b: Indigenous Cultures and Law • E2c Cases in Gender Studies of Law	<i>Marie-Claire Foblets</i> (MPI Halle) <i>René Kuppé</i> (Vienna) <i>Marion Guerrero</i> (EUI Florence) <i>Juliane Ottmann</i> (FU Berlin)

Febr 16-20	tbc	Mobility Window 1 (winter schools) “Legal Arguments” See programme / study plan 2014-15 for illustration	Palermo
Febr 22-March 06		“Global Legal Research & Legal Information Management - Legal Scholars and New Technologies” The winter school focuses on legal information management, legal research management, ICT and eLearning with the objectives of acquainting participants with legal writing skills, legal information management and innovate ICT based pedagogical methods. The core target group is legal academics who, in their role as teachers of law, will invoke these skills in research and teaching. Subjects covered are: • Text and normativity, • Semantic representation of legal information, • Legal automation in government, • Theoretical approaches to legal automation, • Finding legal information, • Legal information management, • Mobile application for jurists, • The legal semantic web, • eLearning within academia, • Didactics, • Social media in law, and • Intellectual property rights.	Stockholm

Occasions at Goethe University

open to the LLM students

conferences/lectures/seminars

for illustration see study plan 2014-15

in part, by special invitation

I.

Max Planck Institute for European Legal History

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II.

***Thomas Vesting / Rudolf Wiethölter /
Ricardo Campos***

„Frankfurter rechtstheoretisches Kolloquium“
(weekly seminar, since 1966, based on reading
texts, mostly in presence of the authors)

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III.

Klaus Günther / Cluster of Excellence

„Rechtstheoretischer Arbeitskreis“

meeting monthly; presentations in presence of
the authors of texts are in German or in
English; members are the legal theorists in
Frankfurt (from law and philosophy faculties,
cluster of excellence “The Formation of
Normative Orders”, Max Planck Institute on
European History) and neighborhood including
Mainz and Gießen; the teaching body of the
Master programme

IV.

***Institut für Kriminalwissenschaften und Rechts-
philosophie***

„Dienstagsseminar“

the weekly meeting of the institute’s teaching
body including teaching assistants since 1968

V.

Ulfrid Neumann

Seminar

„Aktuelle Probleme der Strafrechtsphilosophie“
(für Gastwissenschaftler, wissenschaftliche
Mitarbeiter, Habilitanden und Doktoranden)

March – mid-April	vacation		
spring term			
April 11-22	E3	E3: Formation of Normative Orders • E3a Global Legal Pluralism – descriptive and normative o Legal pluralism: history and current debates April 11 o Legal pluralism: normative April 12 o Legal pluralism: descriptive April 13 (tbc} • E3b Human Rights and Democracy Special focus: The case of minorities • E3c International Criminal Justice o theoretical aspects o practical aspects	Frankfurt Ralf Seinecke (Frankfurt) Klaus Günther (Frankfurt) Matthias Goldmann (MPI Heidelberg) Gret Haller (Bern) tbc Petra Bard (Budapest) Kai Ambos (Göttingen) Stefan Kirsch (Frankfurt, Hamm&Partner.)
April 25 – May 6	E4	E4: Governance, Compliance, Integrity • E4a Governance, Compliance, Integrity o Governance o Compliance o Integrity o Case studies with practitioners	Frankfurt Tobias Tröger (Frankfurt) Lorenz Schulz (Frankfurt) Roman Reiß (Stuttgart, BOSCH) Jürgen Taschke (Frankfurt, DLA Piper)

		• E4b Historical Aspects of Governance • E4c Law and Economy (Foundations)	<i>Benedetta Albani</i> (MPI Frankfurt) <i>Klaus Mathis</i> (Lucerne)
May 9 - 20	E5	Mobility Window 2 (external E 5-7) E5: Global Law • E5a Philosophy of Global Law • E5b Advanced Seminar in Global Legal Theory • E5c Global Law in Practice Seminar with practitioners	Brussels <i>Gregory Lewkowicz</i> (Brussels) <i>Benoît Frydman</i> (Brussels) <i>David Restrepo</i> (Paris)
tba (June)	E6	E6: Law and Technology • E6a Epistemology & Legal Informatics: Methods, Ideas and Models • E6b Information, Communication, Technology • E6c Bioethics and Law	Bologna <i>Nino Rotolo</i> (Bologna) <i>Wojciech Cyrul</i> (Cracow) <i>Marta Soniewicka</i> (Cracow)
tba (July)	E7	E7: Law, Language and Reasoning • E7a Philosophy of Language and Legal Semiotics • E7b Formal Logic and Legal Argumentation (Basic Course) • E7c Formal Logic and Legal Argumentation (Special Course) For illustration see programme July 2014 at http://lawandlogic.org/	Florence EUI <i>Scott Brewer</i> (Harvard) <i>Giovanni Sartor</i> (EUI Florence) <i>Henry Prakken</i> (Utrecht) <i>Bartosz Brozek</i> (Cracow)

summer term

mid-July – mid-Sept.	D	Optional Mobility Window 3 Master thesis Independent study and completion of Master thesis - at home, in Frankfurt or at partner universities or at EALT 3rd term network partner universities / institutions: Aix-en-Provence Antwerp Barcelona (Pompeu Fabra) Belgrad Berlin (FU) Bologna Brno Brussels Cracow Florence Frankfurt Genf Groningen Halle (MPI) Lucerne Oxford Palermo Paris (Sorbonne) Paris (SciencePo) Pècs Stockholm Vienna Vilnius	Frankfurt or module partner or 3rd term partner
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