



UNIVERSITY OF BUCHAREST
FACULTY OF LAW

International Arbitration LLM Program



Presentation of the University of Bucharest, Faculty of Law

Recently having celebrated its 150 anniversary, the University of Bucharest, Faculty of Law is a top Romanian law academic institution. University of Bucharest, Faculty of Law is highly active in the Romanian educational sector, being part of the prestigious network Hexagon, comprising the six most prestigious (state) law faculties. Also, our Faculty has developed numerous international cooperation relations with Law Schools in Europe, the results including the College Juridique Franco-Roumain d'etudes europeenes, a double degree grad program of three years and a two year master program, organized in cooperation with a consortium of prominent law faculties in France, this institution being active for almost two decades.

Our academic staff is highly profiled, remarkable legal scholars, many of them also acting as practitioners in various legal professions, including a judge with the European Court of Justice and a judge with the European Court of Human Rights, and also professors that hold or had previously held high ranked positions in Romania (presidents of the Constitutional Court, Ombudsman, State cabinet members and deputies and so forth).

Consequently, the students of the Law School are deemed to be the best in Romania, the confirmation of their astute and efficient preparation being the outstanding results achieved by the teams of students participating to the national and international students' competitions, including the "Hexagon" Competition, "Rene Cassin" Human Rights Moot Court, "Telders" International Law Moot Court, "Phillip C. Jessup" International Law Moot Court, "Willem Vis" International Arbitration Law Moot Court.

The graduates of our Faculty of Law practice a wide range of legal professions. According to the recent statistics, we have the most candidates admitted at the National Institute for Magistrates (preparing judges and prosecutors), and the National Institute for Preparation and Excellence of Attorneys. Moreover, the most prestigious Romanian law firms recruit the members of their staff from the alumni of our Faculty of Law.

Presentation of the LLM Program on International Arbitration

International arbitration provides a very important tool for the resolution of the disputes arising out of international commercial or international investment relationships, being an efficient, flexible and modern alternative to the jurisdiction of the national courts of law.

The LLM Program in International Arbitration is designed to provide an in-depth understanding of the theory and practice of the international commercial arbitration, as well as of specialised arbitration areas, such as investment, construction, intellectual property and sports.

The LLM Program is primarily addressed to practitioners seeking a specialization, to attorneys at law and in-house counsels, nevertheless being of interest to all practitioners in international relations.

The language of the LLM Program is English, hence providing the opportunity for the interaction between students with different cultural backgrounds and origin.

The library of the Law School comprises a wide range of specialized publications, as mentioned in the bibliographical references for the LLM Program.

Courses

The LLM Program offers courses focusing International Arbitration. The academic staff included distinguished professors and practitioners:

- *International commercial contracts. Conflict of laws* (Professor **Dragos Sitaru**, Ph.D.)
- *International, European and national legal order* (Professor **Elena Simina Tanasescu**, Ph.D.)
- *EU Law and arbitration* (Professor **Cornelia Lefter**, Ph.D.)
- *Comparative International Arbitration* (Associate Professor **Crenguta Leaua**, Ph.D.)
- *Arbitration under Romanian Law* (Associate Professor **Flavius-Antoni Baiaș**, Ph.D.)
- *Arbitration under the Rules of the Court of International Commercial Court attached to the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania* (**Cristiana Irinel Stoica**, Ph.D.)
- *Intellectual property arbitration* (Professor **Lucian Mihai**, Ph.D.)
- *Construction arbitration* (Associate Professor **Crenguta Leaua**, Ph.D.)
- *Investment arbitration* (Lecturer **Claudiu Buglea**, Ph.D.)
- *Sports Arbitration* (Lecturer **Madalina Diaconu**, Ph.D. - Neuchâtel)

Also, prestigious visiting professors from United Kingdom, Switzerland and Italy will give lectures during the LLM Program, on specific topics – **Julian Lew**, Ph.D., Q.C. (Professor at Queen Mary University, London), **Veijo Heiskanen**, Ph.D. (Adjunct Professor at University of Lausanne and University of Helsinki), **Luigi Fumagalli**, Ph.D. (Professor at University of Milan), **Erik Wilbers** (Director WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Centre, Geneva), **Matthias Scherer**, LL.M. (editor of the Swiss Arbitration Association Bulletin, Geneva).

Moreover, both the Romanian and the visiting professors are practitioners in the field of arbitration as either arbitrators and counsels or directors of arbitral institutions, thus enhancing the quality of the courses being practical.

Practical information

Duration of the LLM Program is of **one year**

October 1st – June 30.

The Program is primarily addressed to practitioners, and therefore the courses and seminars shall be held in the late afternoons and evenings, allowing students to pursue their professional activities during the Program.

The LLM Program is limited to **50 master students**.

Full state tuition is provided for the first ranked **20 Romanian or EU nationals master students** admitted to the program.

The tuition for the remaining **30 admitted master students**

is of **RON 3,300** for Romanian or EU nationals

and of **EUR 220/month** during nine months for non-EU nationals.

Conditions for Admission

Admission conditions:

- 240 credits/180 credits & master 120 credits
- Application documents, as published at www.drept.unibuc.ro
- When applying, the non-EU candidates must present a certificate issued by the Romanian Ministry for Education attesting the studies.

Admission shall take place based on a test comprising the following subjects:

- UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration
- ICC Arbitration Rules

An English language test shall be mandatory for admission (only students who graduated their university studies in English are exempted).

Application for admission is scheduled from **September 3 to September 9, 2013** and admission is scheduled as follows:

the preliminary language proficiency test - **September 12, 2013**,
the examination - **September 13, 2013**.

The admission fee is **RON 320**.

For details, please refer to www.drept.unibuc.ro