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Master's degree



Master of Business, Competition and Regulatory Law

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Overview

Degree	LLM (MBL)
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">English
Languages	All lectures, tutorials and examinations of the MBL-FU are conducted entirely in English. Student mentoring is offered in English, German, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian and French.
Full-time / part-time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">full-time
Mode of study	Less than 50% online
Programme duration	2 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Additional information on beginning, duration and mode of study	The MBL-FU is one of a few postgraduate programmes in Germany that consistently makes use of blended learning: On Fridays, Saturdays, and sometimes on Thursdays, students attend lectures, tutorials and research seminars in the classroom. The rest of the week, students do assignments and project work via the university's E-learning platform. Both segments are integral and compulsory components of the curriculum.
Application deadline	All applicants: 15 March for the following winter semester
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	4,750 EUR
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	No
Description/content	<p>The MBL-FU is a postgraduate Master's programme in law (LLM). It lasts for one academic year. You will obtain in-depth, specialised knowledge on cutting-edge questions of international and European competition and regulatory law.</p> <p>Our lecturers are high-ranking legal and economic academics as well as practitioners from all around the world – from officials of the European Commission and national authorities to attorneys from international law firms and multinational companies. Their classes cover a wide range of</p>

topics, from foundational theoretical and economic questions to all aspects of European and International competition law, and also including intellectual property and other crucial issues driving important sectors of today's economy (digital platforms, telecommunications, energy, climate).

Freie Universität Berlin (FU) is one of eleven "Universities of Excellence" in Germany. Its network of libraries holds approximately eight million media units, thereby providing you with the necessary resources for any academic endeavour. FU is one of the largest universities in Germany: 33,500 students are enrolled in over 170 degree programmes. Its 16 departments and central institutes are spread out through the university campus. The university has over 100 partnerships with scholarly institutions around the world, and 15 percent of its student body come from abroad.

Course Details

Course organisation

The Master of International and European Business, Competition and Regulatory Law is based on an approach which combines traditional "in-class" teaching (mostly on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays) with electronic communication via the university's internet platform and independent study during the rest of the week.

You will cover seven modules and write a Master's thesis. Each module consists of in-class lectures, seminars and tutorials. They take place on Fridays and Saturdays and occasionally on Thursdays at the Department of Law. Online study and work components complement and build upon these lectures.

The modules in detail:

Part I: Business Law and Principles of Economics

- European and International Business Law
- Economy and Competition – The Broader View
- European Competition Law
- Advanced Competition Law

Part II: Competition and Regulatory Law

- Intellectual Property
- Regulatory Law – The Fundamentals
- Advanced Regulatory Law

Master's thesis

A Diploma supplement will be issued

Yes

International elements

- International guest lecturers
- International comparisons and thematic reference to the international context
- Content-related regional focus

Integrated internships

While internships are not a mandatory part of our curriculum, the MBL-FU team strongly encourages students to gain practical experience in the context of an internship.

Special promotion / funding of the programme

- Other (e.g. state level)

Course-specific, integrated German language courses

No

Course-specific, integrated English language courses	No
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Online learning

Pace of course	Instructor-led (Specific due dates for lectures/assignments/exams)
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Phase(s) of attendance in Germany (applies to the entire programme)	Yes, compulsory
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Types of online learning elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Access to databases with study material• Blogs• Discussion forums and / or groups• Online sessions• Online study material provided by institution
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Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in EUR	4,750 EUR
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Semester contribution	In total, the semester contribution amounts to 312.89 EUR. It includes a fee of 198.80 EUR for the transportation ticket contribution. This allows you to use public transportation in Berlin for free. Other costs covered by the semester contribution include a 50 EUR enrolment fee, a 54.09 EUR semester contribution to the student support service ("studierendenWERK Berlin"), and a 10 EUR contribution to the student union.
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Costs of living	Compared to other European countries, the cost of living in Germany is quite reasonable. However, the cost of living has also risen somewhat in Germany in recent years. The prices for food, accommodation, clothing, cultural events, etc. are slightly above the EU average. You will need around 950 to 1,200 EUR each month to cover your living expenses. The biggest expense is monthly rent, which is between 400 and 700 EUR in Berlin.
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Funding opportunities within the university	Yes
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Description of the above-mentioned funding opportunities within the university	The Deutschlandstipendium scholarship allows students at Freie Universität Berlin of all nations and all parts of society to fully concentrate on their studies. The programme supports talented students with 300 EUR per month. Half of this sum is provided by the federal government while the other half is donated by a private sponsor.
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Requirements / Registration

Academic admission requirements	Applicants must have obtained a first university degree, preferably in law, of at least 240 ECTS. Additionally, they need at least one year of postgraduate work experience, preferably in
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competition law, traditional regulated markets, digital markets, data protection and compliance and related fields.

Applications are submitted and processed exclusively via the university's online application portal. Besides degree certificates and academic transcripts, all applicants must submit a tabular CV and motivation letter presenting their educational and professional background as well as their reasons for the application to the programme.

Language requirements	Applicants must provide proof of their English skills (min. B2 CEFR).
Technical equipment and programmes	Internet Connection Blackboard WebEx
Application deadline	All applicants: 15 March for the following winter semester
Submit application to	https://fu-berlin.hispro.de

Services

Possibility of finding part-time employment	<p>There are many ways of earning money while you study, for example as waiting staff, academic assistants, or private tutors. Knowledge of German will improve your chances of finding a part-time job, but it isn't necessarily required. However, it is important to be aware of the legal regulations.</p> <p>The student support service at the university, called studierendenWERK Berlin, and the local representative of the "Bundesagentur für Arbeit" (Federal Employment Agency) can provide information about jobs for students. When searching for a job, look at online job boards, ads in local newspapers, and notice boards on campus.</p>
Accommodation	<p>You have the option to stay in a public/private student dormitory or in a private (shared) apartment. Student dormitories are not administrated by the university itself, so Freie Universität Berlin does not have any on-campus housing. However, it works together with "studierendenWERK Berlin" regarding student accommodation.</p> <p>If you do not wish to stay in a student dormitory, you can try to find a room or an apartment on the private housing market. Many students in Berlin live in shared apartments ("WGs"). You can find these offers online (e.g. WG-gesucht or Craigslist) or on notice boards on campus.</p> <p>Available rooms/apartments near the university are rare. Therefore, students mostly commute from other parts of the city. The commute via public transportation usually takes between 30 minutes and an hour, which is considered a normal travel time in Berlin due to the city's size.</p>
Support for international students and doctoral candidates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome event• Tutors

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