

Study Plan for

Joint LL.M. in Trade and Investment Law (TRAIL) and DAS in International Law and Economics (ILE)

I. General Requirements

Scope	<p>Art. 1 This study plan applies to all students enrolled in the joint LL.M./DAS programme at the World Trade Institute. It defines the basic study plan for the programme. The programme is interdisciplinary and emphasizes the rules, regulations, and institutions, both domestic and international, that govern foreign trade, investment, the operations of multinational enterprises, and the interests and role of other stakeholders.</p>
Regulations	<p>Art. 2 ¹ The basic requirements for the LL.M. are defined by the regulations of the Faculty of Law adopted 22 March 2012 Reglement für das Weiterbildungsprogramm in Rechtswissenschaft (DAS; LL.M.), and define the basic LL.M. requirements as 60 ECTS in recognized courses of the Faculty of Law, of which 10 ECTS corresponds to the thesis. For the LL.M./DAS, the minimum 50 ECTS in coursework are to be taken strictly from the courses as defined by this study plan.</p> <p>² The basic requirements for the DAS are defined by the regulations of the WTI DAS programme, as adopted and amended by the Faculty, and define the basic DAS requirements as a minimum of 30 ECTS, of which 8 ECTS corresponds to the DAS diploma paper. For the LL.M./DAS, the minimum 22 ECTS in coursework for the DAS are to be taken strictly from courses as defined by the DAS regulations</p> <p>³ Admission to the LL.M./DAS joint programme is based on the evaluation of a complete application made by the WTI and Faculty of Law. Admission requires meeting the admission requirements under the regulations governing both LL.M. studies in the Faculty of Law and DAS studies at the WTI, with the exception of Article 13(2)(g) of the Faculty of Law LL.M. Regulations. In lieu of Article 13(2)(g) of the Faculty of Law LL.M. Regulations, proof of sufficient proficiency in English for applicants whose native language is not English is required.</p>
Title	<p>Art. 3 Students who successfully fulfil the requirements of the LL.M./DAS joint programme are awarded the following titles:</p> <p><i>a „Legum Magister / Legum Magistra, Universität Bern (LL.M. Unibe);</i> <i>b Diploma of Advanced Studies in International Law and Economics, World Trade Institute, University of Bern.</i></p>

Study Design	<p>Art. 4 ¹ The LL.M. programme is composed of international economic law courses worth a minimum of 50 ECTS, and a master's thesis worth 10 ECTS.</p> <p>² The DAS programme is composed of specialized courses in international law and economics worth a minimum of 22 ECTS, and a diploma paper worth 8 ECTS.</p> <p>³ Successful completion of the full programme includes both the LL.M. and DAS components.</p> <p>⁴ Students have 3 years to complete the joint programme. Students who fail to complete the programme may be awarded a certificate of participation, and either the LL.M. or DAS if requirements have been met. This is construed as partial completion of the TRAIL LL.M./DAS programme. Students must have no outstanding balance in tuition bills or other university fees in order to graduate.</p>
Supply and Content	<p>Art. 5 The availability, scheduling and content of courses and seminars are published in the World Trade Institute's Study Guidelines and Policies for LL.M./DAS students prior to the beginning of each academic semester. In the case of the LL.M., the list of courses and seminars is prepared jointly with the Faculty of Law, Department of Economic Law, while in the case of the DAS, classes will be drawn from the MILE/DAS/CAS curriculum.</p>
ECTS-Credit Points	<p>Art. 6 Students receive the amount of ECTS credit points for courses and seminars that are provided for by the granting faculty or partner institution.</p>

II. Assessments

Subject	<p>Art. 7 Student knowledge of the subject matter of each course and seminar is examined in the form of an assessment.</p>
Form	<p>Art. 8 Assessments of any given course or seminar are subject to university regulations. Assessments can be conducted in the form of seminar papers, oral assessments, written assessments, or some combination thereof.</p>
Language	<p>Art. 9 The language of study is English, and assessments are to be conducted entirely in English.</p>

III. LL.M./DAS TRAIL Programme Study Plan Overview

Structure	<p>Art. 10 ¹ The joint LL.M./DAS programme (TRAIL+ programme) includes 50 ECTS coursework for the LL.M., 22 ECTS coursework for the DAS, 10 ECTS for the master's thesis, and 8 ECTS for the diploma paper.</p> <p>² Eligible courses for the LL.M. are all offered in English by the Faculty of Law in topics that are related to international economic law, as well as those offered by the WTI listed in the Annex. Other relevant courses or seminars at the University of Bern, or at other Swiss universities may be taken only subject to prior approval by the WTI Director of Studies.</p>
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³ Eligible courses for the DAS are listed in the Annex to the CAS/DAS Regulations, and are subject to periodic review by the Academic Programme Committee of the WTI, which can determine which courses are compulsory to obtain the DAS in International Law and Economics. Relevant courses at other Swiss universities and other courses at the University of Bern may be taken only subject to prior approval by the WTI Director of Studies.

IV. Adoption

Adoption

Art. 11 The present study plan was adopted by the Faculty of Law, and the University of Bern on 22 August 2019.

Entry into Force

Art. 12 The present curriculum shall enter into force on 16 September 2019.

Annex

Compulsory Courses	ECTS
<i>Fall Semester</i>	
International Investment Law (IIL)	5
International Trade Regulation (ITR)	10
<i>Spring Semester</i>	
International Economic Dispute Resolution	5
International Economic Law and Pursuit of Core Societal Values and Interests	5
Moot Court*	5
Elective Courses and Seminars	
WTO Law on Border Measures and Trade Facilitation	3
WTO Law on Technical Barriers to Trade and Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures	3
WTO Law on Anti-Dumping and Safeguard Measures	3
WTO Law on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures	3
The Law and Policy of Trade in Services	3
Innovation and Intellectual Property Protection: Current Issues	3
Trade and Agriculture: New Challenges	3
International Investment Law and Dispute Settlement: Recent Developments	3
Introduction to International Negotiations	3
Relevant courses and seminars offered at the Faculty of Law	5 - 10

* Participation in the Moot Court is mandatory. However, this exercise can be replaced by participation in the John H. Jackson Moot Court Competition, subject to prior approval by the Director of Studies.