

Study Plan for

Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS) and Diploma of Advanced Studies (DAS) in International Law and Economics (ILE)

I. General Requirements

Scope **Art. 1** ¹ This Study Plan governs the following programmes of the World Trade Institute:

- Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS) in International Law and Economics (ILE) with specialization (12 ECTS).
- Diploma of Advance Studies (DAS) in International Law and Economics (ILE) with specialization (30 ECTS).

These interdisciplinary programmes focus on the law, economics and politics of international trade, investment and sustainable development. The language of study is English.

² This Study Plan applies to all students enrolled in these programmes.

Title **Art. 2** ¹ Students, who successfully fulfil the requirements of the CAS programme, are awarded the following title:

Certificate of Advanced Studies in International Law and Economics,
World Trade Institute, University of Bern.

Subject to the approval of the WTI Academic Programme Coordinator, students may define an area of specialisation that will be recognized in the certificate supplement given upon successful completion of the CAS programme.

² Students, who successfully fulfil the requirements of the DAS programme are awarded the following title:

Diploma of Advanced Studies in International Law and Economics,
World Trade Institute, University of Bern.

Subject to the approval of the WTI Academic Programme Coordinator, students may define an area of specialisation that will be recognized in the certificate supplement given upon successful completion of the DAS programme.

Study Design **Art. 3**¹ The CAS and DAS programmes are composed of elective courses listed in the Annex. In addition, CAS and DAS students may also take other courses offered at the WTI, the Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences of the University of Bern, which are not listed in the Annex, but are selected by the student and approved by the WTI Academic Programme Coordinator, in consultation with the WTI Director of Studies and the relevant Faculty. There are no compulsory courses in the CAS and DAS programmes.

² CAS and DAS students must submit, respectively, a CAS ILE certificate paper (4 ECTS) and a DAS ILE diploma paper (8 ECTS), following the guidelines communicated by the WTI Academic Programme Coordinator. In order to obtain ECTS credit points for the certificate or diploma paper, students must receive a passing grade.

Course Content **Art. 4** The availability, scheduling and content of the elective courses are announced and published on the WTI's website prior to the commencement of each academic semester.

ECTS-Credit Points **Art. 5** One ECTS-credit point generally corresponds to a study effort of 25 to 30 dedicated hours. For courses taking place at the Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences of the University of Bern, CAS and DAS students receive the amount of ECTS credits that are provided by the Faculty offering these courses.

II. Assessments

Subject **Art. 6** A student's knowledge of the subject matter of each course and seminar is assessed. The assessment of any given course or seminar is subject to university regulations.

Form **Art. 7** The assessment can be conducted in the form of seminar papers, oral assessments, written assessments, or some combination thereof.

Language **Art. 8**, The assessment is conducted in English.

III. CAS/DAS Programme Study Plan Overview

Structure **Art. 9**¹ The CAS ILE programme includes 8 ECTS of coursework, with elective courses as detailed in the Annex; and 4 ECTS for the CAS ILE certificate paper. Eligible courses for the CAS are courses offered by the WTI as well as courses and seminars offered at the Faculty of Law or at the Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences, as provided for in Article 3 of this Study Plan.

² The DAS ILE programme includes 22 ECTS of coursework, with elective courses as detailed in the Annex; and 8 ECTS for the DAS ILE diploma paper. Eligible courses for the DAS are courses offered by the WTI as well as courses and seminars offered at the Faculty of Law or at the Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences, as provided for in Article 3 of this Study Plan.

³ Students have up to 2 years to complete the CAS programme, and up to 3 years to complete the DAS programme. An extension may be granted by the WTI Academic Programme Coordinator. Failure to complete without extension may result in exclusion from the programme.

⁴ Students must have no outstanding balance in tuition bills or other university fees in order to graduate.

IV. Adoption

Adoption

Art. 10 The present Study Plan was adopted by the Faculty of Law, University of Bern on 27 of April 2023.

Entry into Force

Art. 11 The present Study Plan entered into force upon its adoption by the Faculty of Law.

Annex

Courses	ECTS
<i>Winter Academy</i>	
WTO Law on Border Measures and Trade Facilitation	3
WTO Law and Policy of Trade in Services	3
WTO Law on Anti-Dumping and Safeguard Measures	3
WTO Law on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures	3
<i>Summer Academy</i>	
Foundations of Trade Policy and Trade Policy Data	3
Econometric Analysis of Trade Policy	3
Input-Output and Applied General Equilibrium Models	3
Technical Barriers to Trade in Pursuit of Sustainable Development	3
Challenges to International Climate Governance	3
International Contracts Regarding Cross-Borders Trade and Investment	3
Non-Trade Concerns in International Trade: Public Health and Labour Standards	3
International Law and Policy Options for Climate Mitigation	3
International Investment Law and Sustainable Development	3
International Energy Law and Governance	3
Climate Change: International Intellectual Property Protection and Transfer of Technology	3
<i>Other Elective courses at the WTI</i>	
Introduction to International Negotiations	3
Global Economic Governance Seminar Series	1
Elective Courses and Seminars at the Unibe Faculties of Law and Business, Economics and Social Sciences	3, 5 or 6