

## Study Plan for

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

#### *I. General Requirements*

Scope	<p><b>Art. 1</b> This Study Plan applies to all students enrolled in the joint LL.M./DAS programme at the World Trade Institute. This programme, which is also referred to as the TRAIL+ programme, is interdisciplinary and focusses on 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><b>Art. 2</b> <sup>1</sup> The requirements for the LL.M. are set out in the <i>Reglement für das Weiterbildungsprogramm in Rechtswissenschaft (DAS; LL.M.)</i>, adopted by the Faculty Law of the University of Bern on 22 March 2012.</p> <p><sup>2</sup> The requirements for the DAS are set out in the <i>WTI Regulations governing the CAS and DAS Study Programs in International Law and Economics</i>, adopted by the Faculty of Law of the University of Bern on 26 May 2016 and amended on 13 December 2018.</p> <p><sup>3</sup> To be admitted to the LL.M./DAS joint programme students must meet the admission requirements under the regulations governing both LL.M. studies at the Faculty of Law and DAS studies at the WTI, with the exception of Article 13(2)(g) of the <i>Reglement für das Weiterbildungsprogramm in Rechtswissenschaft (DAS; LL.M.)</i>. In lieu of Article 13(2) (g), proof of sufficient proficiency in English is required for student whose native language is not English.</p>
Title	<p><b>Art. 3</b> Students who successfully fulfil the requirements of the LL.M./DAS joint programme are awarded the following titles:</p> <p><i>a</i> Legum Magister/Legum Magistra, Universität Bern (LL.M. Unibe);</p> <p><i>b</i> Diploma of Advanced Studies in International Law and Economics, World Trade Institute, University of Bern.</p>

## Study Design

**Art. 4**<sup>1</sup> The LL.M. programme is composed of the compulsory and elective courses and seminars offered at the Faculty of Law of the University of Bern and listed in the Annex. In addition, students may also take courses and seminars offered at the Faculty of Law, which are not listed in the Annex, but were selected by the Academic Programme Committee of the WTI, in consultation with the Faculty of Law, prior to the commencement of each academic semester. All LL.M. courses and seminars are conducted in English.

<sup>2</sup> The DAS programme is composed of the compulsory and elective courses and seminars listed in the Annex. In addition, MILE students may also take courses and seminars offered at 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 were selected by the Academic Programme Committee of the WTI, in consultation with the relevant Faculty, prior to the commencement of each academic semester. All DAS courses and seminars are conducted in English.

<sup>3</sup> Successful completion of the joint LL.M./DAS programme requires the completion of both the LL.M. and DAS programme.

<sup>4</sup> Students have 3 years to complete the joint LL.M./DAS programme. Students who fail to complete the programme may be awarded a certificate of participation, and either the LL.M. or DAS if the relevant requirements have been met. Students must have no outstanding balance in tuition or other university fees in order to graduate.

## Course Content

**Art. 5** The availability, scheduling and content of courses and seminars are published in the WTI's *Study Guidelines and Policies for LL.M./DAS Students* prior to the beginning of each academic semester. For the LL.M., the list of courses and seminars is prepared jointly with the Department of Economic Law of the Faculty of Law, while for the DAS, courses are drawn from the MILE curriculum.

## ECTS-Credit Points

**Art. 6**<sup>1</sup> One ECTS-credit point generally corresponds to a study effort of 25 to 30 dedicated hours.

<sup>2</sup> For courses and seminars taken at the Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences of the University of Bern, students receive the amount of ECTS credit points that are provided for by the Faculty offering these courses or seminars.

## **II. Assessments**

### Subject

**Art. 7** Student knowledge of the subject matter of each course and seminar is examined in the form of an assessment.

### Form

**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.

### Language

**Art. 9** The language of study is English, and assessments are to be conducted entirely in English.

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

- Structure
- Art. 10** <sup>1</sup> 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 DAS paper.
- <sup>2</sup> Eligible courses for the LL.M. are courses and seminars offered by the Faculty of Law, as provided for in Article 4<sup>1</sup> of this Study Plan.
- <sup>3</sup> Eligible courses for the DAS are courses and seminars offered by the WTI and the Faculties of Law and Business, Economics and Social Sciences, as provided for in Article 4<sup>2</sup> of this Study Plan.

#### ***I. Adoption***

- Adoption
- Art. 11** The present Study Plan was adopted by the Faculty of Law, University of Bern on February 24 2022.
- Entry into Force by the Faculty of Law
- Art. 12** <sup>1</sup> The present Study Plan entered into force on upon its adoption

**Annex**

<b>Compulsory Courses</b>	
<b><i>Fall Semester</i></b>	
Foundations of Economics*	8
International Investment Law**	5
International Trade Regulation***	10
Global Political Economy	5
Global Economic Governance Seminar Series	1
WTO Law on Border Measures and Trade Facilitation	3
The Law on Policy of Trade in Services	3
WTO Law on Anti-Dumping and Safeguard Measures	3
WTO Law on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures	3
<b><i>Spring Semester</i></b>	
International Economics*	7
International Economic Dispute Resolution	5
International Economic Law and Pursuit of Core Societal Values and Interests	5
Global Economic Governance Seminar Series	1
Moot Court****	5
<b>Elective Courses at the WTI</b>	
WTO Law on Technical Barriers to Trade and Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures	3
Innovation and Intellectual Property Protection: Foundations and Challenges	3
The Proposed EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM): its Legality, Effectiveness and Impact	3
Intellectual Property and the Digital Economy	3

Trade and Agriculture: New Challenges	3
International Investment Law & Dispute Settlement: Current Developments	3
Trade and Sustainable Social Development	3
Sustainable Development and Environment Economics	3
Foundations of Trade Policy and Trade Policy Data	3
Econometric Analysis of Trade Policy	3
Introduction to Input-Output and Applied General Equilibrium Models	3
International Trade/Investment Law and Policy Internship*****	3
Introduction to International Negotiations	3
<b>Elective Courses and Seminars at the Unibe Faculties of Law and Business, Economics and Social Sciences</b>	3, 5 or 6

\* TRAIL+ students with a background in economics can replace this course with a course or courses offered at the Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences or the Faculty of Law, subject to approval by the Director of Studies.

\*\* TRAIL+ students can replace this course with *International Investment Law & Dispute Settlement: Current Developments*, subject to approval by the Director of Studies.

\*\*\* TRAIL+ students with a background in international trade law can replace this course with a course or courses offered at the Faculty of Law, subject to approval by the Director of Studies.

\*\*\*\* Participation in the Moot Court is mandatory. However, this exercise can be replaced by participation in the John H. Jackson Moot Court Competition, or with a course or courses offered at the Faculty of Law, subject to prior approval by the Director of Studies.

\*\*\*\*\* The internship must be approved by the Director of Studies. The ECTS awarded for the internship do not count for the minimum ECTS to obtain the LL.M. or the DAS.