

Faculty of Law



DROI1BA Baccalauréat en droit (Bachelor of Law)



Study objectives

The bachelor's programme in Law introduces to the principles of both private and public law. Its aim however is also to train the students to the rigour and precision essential for the reading, reasoning and expression of legal materials. In addition, it offers an opening into other disciplines... Law is not a science constructed in isolation. It mirrors social values, is linked to history and is dependent on psychological, economic, sociological and other such realities.

The knowledge and skills to be acquired throughout the bachelor's programme of Law are three-fold. Firstly, the student is trained in the correct use of the "tools" and strategies for learning how to learn (grasping the methodology linked to the diversity of the formal sources of Law and the knowledge of languages other than French). Secondly, they are taught to master the concepts required in order to develop a spirit of critical analysis of the Law. And thirdly, they are introduced to a number of juridical fields, in which they will develop their analytical skills.

Law as a discipline still bears the hallmarks of sovereignty over a given territory and over a national community. European Law and International Law, however have a growing influence.

The international dimensions of the programme are reflected principally in the presence of the course in European Law as part of the major. They are also clearly present in the course on Comparative Law, given in a language other than French, and in other optional courses aimed at introducing the student to the relativity of the juridical systems.

As for the international exchanges, these are only organised at master's level.

General presentation of the programme

Principal Subjects

The programme consists of a major in Law worth 150 credits. The major contains three different categories of courses in terms of course content : a number of courses in the Humanities (Philosophy, Economics, History, Sociology, Psychology) ; courses in foreign languages (a choice of two languages from among Dutch, English, German or Spanish), and legal terminology (in Dutch, English or German) and thirdly, courses in Law, namely two courses on Theoretical and Critical Reflection in Law and several courses in legal subjects (essentially Belgian and European Law). Apart from the language courses, which have their own special methodology, almost all of the sessions include a progressive combination of practical exercises, tutorials and supervised pieces of work.

The first year comprises courses in the Humanities, two language courses and three courses in Law (Sources, Principles and Methods, Roman ; Foundations in Law ; and Legal History). The opening of the 1st quadrimester to subjects other than those related to law, takes the form of three courses in the Humanities (Philosophy, History and Economics). Other subjects included in the Humanities feature on the programme in the following years (Sociology, Psychology, etc.).

Minors or other available options

For the remaining 30 credits, the students may choose either one of the minors offered by the School of Criminology, or by another UCL faculty (Philosophy, Economics, Management, etc.), or a programme of more in-depth legal studies. The latter consists of three compulsory courses which include a session on legal terminology in a third language and a course on Comparative Law in a language other than French. Added to these are three optional courses, including an interactive course for which a more active involvement of the student is required. The student may also replace one of the courses by an internship in a legal profession.

Evaluation

The interactive course leads to an ongoing evaluation. In the other courses, there is a balance between written and oral exams.

Admission to the programme

The conditions and regular admission requirements are specified on the web page "Access to Studies" : <http://www.ucl.ac.be/etudes/libres/en/acces.html>

Positioning of the programme

Positioning of the programme within the University cursus

The basic study programme in Law is divided into two cycles : the three year bachelor's programme and the two year master's programme. The complete university cursus therefore takes five years. The bachelor's programme aims not only to provide the student with the foundations in the subject, but also to develop those transversal capacities proper to university education, namely working autonomously, developing a critical mind and acquiring the capacity to understand and conduct research related to the chosen domain of knowledge within the context of the Humanities in which it is situated.

The master's programme, aimed at the improvement of knowledge and at specialisation, helps the student to gain a mastery of the knowledge of the subject, as well as the skills and expertise needed for practising a law - related profession, teaching, or conducting research. The basic course may be completed, if necessary, by a complementary one-year master's programme, of 60 credits

Other studies accessible upon completion of the programme

The bachelor's degree in Law gives access to the Master in Laws which offers a wide variety of career possibilities. Many graduates in law become solicitors or barristers, or will be magistrates. But the skills of a jurist are also equally recognised in the world of business or in national and international public service. Jurists play an important and valuable role as companies find themselves more and more confronted with ever-increasingly complex and changing legislation which applies to industrial, operational and financial operations, without overlooking more recent domains such as protection of the environment, or consumer law. At every level, public administrations call upon jurists : in federal, regional, local, provincial and local administration, as well as in economic, social and cultural public services and youth protection etc.

Certain masters will be accessible to those students with a Bachelor's diploma in Law provided they have completed a minor in the subject in question and on condition they fulfil any necessary prerequisites.

The relevant information is provided on the description lists of the minors.

Useful contacts

Programme management

CBDR Commission du baccalauréat (DRT)

Contact persons for the first year

All enquiries and applications of an academic and administrative nature, specific to the 1st year, should preferably be addressed to the following people concerned :

1. Secretary's office for the 1st year - Madame D. Bidoul

Special opening times are reserved for 1st year students in the office, B. 243, located at the "Collège Thomas More". Access is available to students daily, from 9 00 a.m. to 12 noon and from 2 00 p.m. to 4 00 p.m. (tel. 010474706). bidoul@publ.ucl.ac.be

2. President of the Bachelor Committee - Professeur G. Schamps

Professor G. Schamps is available to receive students on Thursdays, from 2 00 p.m. to 4 00 p.m. in her office, C 123, located on the first floor of the C wing of the Faculty (Tel. : 010474671). schamps@pen.ucl.ac.be

3. Presidents of the exam juries

1st year of the Bachelor's programme : Professeur J.-F. van Drooghenbroeck

2nd year of the Bachelor's programme : Professeur M-A. Beernaert

4. Secretaries for the exam juries

1st year of the Bachelor's programme : Ms Laurence Gallez

2nd year of the Bachelor's programme : Ms Isabelle Wattier

3rd year of the Bachelor's programme : N.

Faculty contacts

All enquiries and faculty information of an academic and an administrative nature, are made and can be obtained via the following persons as indicated below :

1. Person in charge of student dossiers - Ms Ch. Rossillon

Administration of individual student dossiers : Office, A 045. Tél. 010478603 - email : rossillon@sdr.ucl.ac.be

Available for students on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 1 30 p.m. to 3 30 p.m.

2. Faculty Reception

Information of a more general nature can be obtained at the Reception of the Law Faculty, room A, 032 ("Accueil de la Faculté de droit", local A. 023), situated at the left of the entrance to the "Collège Thomas More".

Ms Brigitte Stecchino and Ms Catherine Brams

Reception opening hours:

Daily, from 10 30 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 30 p.m. to 3 30 p.m.

3. Deputy Administration Director of the Faculty, in charge of student affairs - Ms C. Lecerf

The Deputy Administration Director of the Faculty who is in charge of student affairs, receives the students in office A059, at the "Collège Thomas More".

4. Administrative Director of the Faculty - Ms D. De Gand

The Administrative Director of the Law Faculty receives the students in office A059, at the "Collège Thomas More".

5. Academic Secretary - N.

The Academic Secretary of the Law Faculty receives students by appointment, to be arranged via the secretary's office .

6. The Dean of the Faculty - Professor H. Simonart

The Dean of the Law Faculty receives students by appointment in office A153 at the "Collège Thomas More".

7. Faculty address

Faculté de droit, 2, Place Montesquieu, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve - Telephone : 010478600 - Fax : 010474601 - <http://www.drt.ucl.ac.be>

Study Advisor

For the bachelor's programme, particularly at the beginning of the cycle, the students may call on the Study Advisor for guidance with respect to their study methods, for advice following disappointing exam results, for help in choosing their studies or in assessing the interest of programme re-orientation, or for guidance in the choice of a minor.

The Study Advisor constitutes the central element within the context of the various activities developed in the Faculty of Law, by helping the student to manage his whole university training as fully as possible (in learning to work autonomously, mastering working tools, managing his time and selecting appropriate study methods...).

His tasks mainly consist in :

- encouraging the student's integration in the group activities organised with the aim of enhancing efficient and effective learning at university, in accordance with his individual needs
- giving each student advice on an individual and confidential basis, in accordance with his or her personal evolution
- providing the student with help and pedagogical advice throughout the year, especially after the exam sessions.

Jacques Laffineur, the Study Advisor, is available to receive students in his office (C 011) on Tuesdays from 9 00 a.m. to 11 00 a.m. and on Fridays from 1 00 p.m. to 2 00 p.m. or by appointment (tel. 010478610 - email conseiller.etudes@drt.ucl.ac.be).

The main mission of the Study Advisor is to guide the student and to help him/her in his/her choices (in the choice of a minor, in the question of reorientation...). That of the President of the Jury, with the help of his secretary, is to ensure and confirm the compatibility of the choices with the programmes of the Faculty. The final decision of the President of the jury is taken in the light of the the opinion of the Study Advisor.

List of accessible minors

- Minor in Theology
- Minor in Philosophy
- Minor in Criminology
- Minor in Information and Communication (*)
- Minor in Political Sciences
- Minor in Sociology and Anthropology
- Minor in the Humanities and Social Sciences
- Minor in Economics (opening)
- Minor in Business Studies
- Minor in Linguistics
- Minor in Hispanic Studies (*)
- Minor in Italian Studies (*)
- Minor in French Studies(*)
- Minor in Latin Studies
- Minor in Greek Studies
- Minor in Oriental Studies
- Minor in Literature Studies
- Minor in History
- Minor in Medieval Studies
- Minor in History of Art and Archaeology(*)
- Minor in Musicology
- Minor in Psychology and Education (*)
- Minor in Human Nutrition (*)
- Minor in General Biomedical Sciences (*)
- Minor in Clinical Biomedical Sciences (*)
- Minor in Medication Sciences (*)
- Minor in Physical Activity, Health and Culture of Movement (*)
- Minor in Geography (*)
- Minor in Statistics
- Minor in Urban Architecture
- Minor in Mathematics and Mathematical Applications
- Minor in Scientific Culture
- Minor in Gender studies
- Minor in Culture and Creation
- Minor in European Studies

(*) *Minor with access criteria.*

Detailed content of standard programme

DROI 11BA First year of studies

Compulsory courses

<u>DROI1001</u>	Sources, Principles and Methods of Law - Part 1[60h] (6 credits)1q (in French)	David Renders, Henri Simonart, Marc Van Overstraeten
<u>DROI1002C</u>	Sources, principes et méthodes du droit - 2ème partie[60h] (6 credits)2q (in French)	N.
<u>DROI1003</u>	Foundations of Law[60h+12h] (6 credits)2q (in French)	René Robaye
<u>DROI1004</u>	Legal History[60h+12h] (6 credits)2q (in French)	Alain Wijffels
<u>DROI1005</u>	Legal Methodology[15h+12h] (3 credits)1q (in French)	Jean-François Van Drooghenbroeck
<u>DROI1006</u>	Philosophy and Philosophical Anthropology[60h+12h] (6 credits)1q (in French)	Jean-Michel Counet, Nathalie Frogneux
<u>DROI1007</u>	Political Economy[60h+12h] (6 credits)1q (in French)	Chantal Kegels, Anne-Marie Kumps
<u>DROI1008</u>	History of institutions[60h+12h] (6 credits)2q (in French)	Michel Dumoulin

Religious Science courses

The student will choose one from among the 2 following courses:

<u>DROI2001</u>	Questions of Religious sciences : Christian faith[15h] (2 credits)1q (in French)	Philippe Goffinet
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<u>DROI2002</u>	Questions of Religious Science - The Bible and its Message[15h] (2 credits)1q (in French)	Claude Lichtert (supplée André Wénin), André Wénin
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Compulsory supervised work

<u>DROI1002T</u>	Travaux dirigés en sources, principes et méthodes du droit[24h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.
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Compulsory examination sessions

The second timetable volume of the DROI 1003, 1004, 1006, 1007, 1008 courses, corresponds to the compulsory monitoring sessions.

Compulsory practical workshops

The second timetable volume of the DROI 1005 courses corresponds to the compulsory courses.

Compulsory language courses

The student will take one of the following language courses as his first language (2 levels: intermediate or advanced) corresponding to 5 credits:

<u>NEER1821</u>	Dutch for Law students - Intermediate level[60h] (5 credits)1+2q	Valérie Dachy, Isabelle Demeulenaere, Lutgarde Schrijvers, Marie-Paule Vanelderden (coord.)
<u>NEER1822</u>	Dutch for Law students - Upper-intermediate level[60h] (5 credits)1+2q	Nicole Engelen, Brigitte Goidts, Marie-Paule Vanelderden (coord.)
<u>ANGL1821</u>	English: Comprehension of law texts[60h] (5 credits)1+2q	N.
<u>ANGL1822</u>	English: comprehension of law texts[60h] (5 credits)1+2q	N.
<u>ALLE1300D</u>	Intermediate level[60h] (5 credits)	N.
<u>ALLE1500D</u>	German intermediate level[60h] (5 credits)	N.

The student will take one of the following language courses as his second language (3 levels: beginners, intermediate and advanced) corresponding to 5 credits.

<u>NEER1820</u>	Dutch for Law students - Elementary level[60h] (5 credits)1+2q	Rita Fenendael, Marie-Paule Vanelderden
<u>NEER1821</u>	Dutch for Law students - Intermediate level[60h] (5 credits)1+2q	Valérie Dachy, Isabelle Demeulenaere, Lutgarde Schrijvers, Marie-Paule Vanelderden (coord.)
<u>NEER1822</u>	Dutch for Law students - Upper-intermediate level[60h] (5 credits)1+2q	Nicole Engelen, Brigitte Goidts, Marie-Paule Vanelderden (coord.)
<u>ANGL1820</u>	Comprehension of law texts[60h] (5 credits)1+2q	Annick Sonck
<u>ANGL1821</u>	English: Comprehension of law texts[60h] (5 credits)1+2q	N.
<u>ANGL1822</u>	English: comprehension of law texts[60h] (5 credits)1+2q	N.
<u>ALLE1800</u>	German - Elementary level[60h] (5 credits)1+2q	Caroline Klein
<u>ALLE1300D</u>	Intermediate level[60h] (5 credits)	N.
<u>ALLE1500D</u>	German intermediate level[60h] (5 credits)	N.
<u>ESPA1100D</u>	Espagnol - niveau élémentaire[60h] (5 credits)	N.

<u>ESPA1300D</u>	Espagnol - niveau moyen[60h] (5 credits)	N.
<u>ESPA1500D</u>	Espagnol - niveau approfondi[60h] (5 credits)	N.

DROI 12BA Second year of studies

I. Compulsory courses

<u>DROI1220</u>	Introduction to Psychology[45h] (3.5 credits)1q (in French)	Stéphanie Demoulin, Vassilis Saroglou
<u>DROI1221</u>	Introduction to Sociology[45h] (3.5 credits)1q (in French)	André-Paul Frogner
<u>DROI1222</u>	Constitutional Law[90h+14h] (8.5 credits)1+2q (in French)	Francis Delpérée
<u>DROI1223</u>	Law of Obligations[90h+14h] (8.5 credits)1+2q (in French)	Bernard Dubuisson, Patrick Wéry
<u>DROI1224</u>	Criminal Law[60h+12h] (6 credits)1q (in French)	Geneviève Schamps
<u>DROI1225</u>	Criminal Procedure[30h+8h] (4 credits)2q (in French)	Marie-Aude Beernaert
<u>DROI1226</u>	European Union law[45h+10h] (5 credits)2q (in French)	Melchior Wathelet

II. Compulsory courses on legal terminology - 2nd language

The student will choose one of the three following courses on juridical terminology

<u>DROI1281</u>	Nederlandse rechtstaal (Néerlandais juridique)[30h] (3 credits)1+2q (in NL)	Marc Lahousse
<u>DROI1282</u>	Legal English (Anglais juridique)[30h] (3 credits)1+2q (in English)	Alain Wijffels
<u>DROI1283</u>	Deutsche Rechtssprache (Allemand juridique)[30h] (3 credits)1+2q (in D)	Karl-Heinz Lambertz

III. Compulsory supervised work

<u>DROI1200</u>	Travail dirigé I[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	Frédéric Dopagne (coord.)
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The student will choose a supervised piece of work from among the following subjects : (3 credits)

<u>DROI1200A</u>	Travail dirigé I - Droit constitutionnel [0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.
<u>DROI1200B</u>	Travail dirigé I - Droit des obligations[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.
<u>DROI1200C</u>	Travail dirigé I - Droit pénal[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.
<u>DROI1200D</u>	Travail dirigé I - Droit de la procédure pénale[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.
<u>DROI1200E</u>	Travail dirigé I - Droit de l'Union européenne[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.

IV. Compulsory practical exercises

The second timetable volume of courses which appears with regard to the compulsory sessions corresponds to practical workshops which are compulsory for all students.

These practical workshops enable the student to develop a practical approach to the subject matter. The sessions imply special preparation on the part of the student whose work will be evaluated by the assistant.

V. Optional programme

- **Either a minor offered by another faculty (30 credits) - 15 credits in BAC2 and 15 credits in BAC3** : List of accessible minors
- **Or further studies in Law (30 credits) - 15 credits in BAC2 and 15 credits in BAC3**

DROI 13BA Third year of studies

I. Compulsory courses

<u>DROI1301</u>	The Individual and Family Law[60h+12h] (5 credits)1q (in French)	Jean-Louis Renchon, Jehanne Sosson
<u>DROI1302</u>	Social Law[45h+10h] (4.5 credits)2q (in French)	Pierre-Paul Van Gehuchten
<u>DROI1303</u>	Commercial Law[60h+12h] (5 credits)2q (in French)	Yves De Cordt
<u>DROI1304</u>	Contract Law[30h+8h] (4 credits)1q (in French)	Patrick Wéry
<u>DROI1305</u>	Administrative Law[60h+12h] (5 credits)2q (in French)	David Renders
<u>DROI1306</u>	Real and intellectual law[45h+10h] (4.5 credits)1q (in French)	Isabelle Durant
<u>DROI1307</u>	Procedure law[60h+12h] (5 credits)1q (in French)	Gilberte Marchal, Jean-François Van Drooghenbroeck
<u>DROI1308</u>	Theory of law and contemporary juridical thought[30h] (3 credits)2q (in French)	Olivier De Schutter
<u>DROI1309</u>	Ethics as applied to law[30h] (3 credits)1q (in French)	Philippe Coppens, Axel Gosseries

II. Compulsory language course

The student will choose one of the four following languages :

<u>ALLE2420</u>	German : interactive communication[30h] (3 credits)1+2q	N.
<u>ANGL2420</u>	English communication skills - intermediate level[30h] (3 credits)1+2q	Michel Bartholomé, Estelle Dagneaux, Severine Schmit, Lutgarde Schrijvers (coord.), Colleen Starrs Marie-Paule Vanelderden
<u>NEER2420</u>	Dutch communication skills for Law students[30h] (3 credits)1q	Victor Manuel Mendez Villegas
<u>ESPA2420</u>	Spanish - Interactive communication[30h] (3 credits)	

III. Compulsory supervised work

<u>DROI1300</u>	Tutorial in Law II[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	Nathalie Dandoy
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The student will choose a supervised piece of work from among the following subjects : (3 credits)

<u>DROI1300A</u>	Travail dirigé II - Droit de la personne et de la famille[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.
<u>DROI1300B</u>	Travail dirigé II - Droit social (relations du travail)[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.
<u>DROI1300C</u>	Travail dirigé II - Droit commercial[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.
<u>DROI1300D</u>	Travail dirigé II - Droit des contrats[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.
<u>DROI1300E</u>	Travail dirigé II - Droit administratif[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.
<u>DROI1300F</u>	Travail dirigé II - Droits réels et intellectuels[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.
<u>DROI1300G</u>	Travail dirigé II - Droit judiciaire[0h+12h] (3 credits) (in French)	N.

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