



Faculty of Law

JAEER, Master's Programme in European Economic Law, 120 credits

Masterprogram i europeisk ekonomisk rätt, 120 högskolepoäng

Second cycle degree programme requiring previous university study / Program med akademiska förkunskapskrav och med slutlig examen på avancerad nivå

Decision

The programme syllabus was approved by The Faculty Board of the Faculty of Law on 31-01-2025 (U2024/341). The syllabus comes into effect 01-10-2025 and is valid from the autumn semester 2026.

Programme description

The Master's Programme in European Economic Law is an advanced-level degree comprising 120 higher education credits. The programme is taught in English and is open to both Swedish and international students holding a minimum of a three-year undergraduate degree in Law (LLB, Jur. Kand. or equivalent).

It is possible to complete the programme after one year and obtain a Master of Laws (Magister) in European Economic Law (60 credits).

The programme provides in-depth knowledge of both the practical and theoretical aspects of economic law within the European Union, as well as the functioning of the internal market in a global context, with particular emphasis on sustainability and litigation skills.

The programme combines compulsory courses (75 credits) with elective courses (45 credits). Students are assessed through both written and oral examinations, problem-solving exercises, and training in legal procedures relevant to the programme's learning objectives.

The curriculum spans foundational knowledge of the EU's constitutional structure to

advanced studies in core areas of European economic law, including the internal market, competition law, and a number of specialised topics in EU law. Courses are based on research findings from within and outside the Faculty. The programme's structure encourages interdisciplinary collaboration and insights from the practical application of law.

The programme equips students with a deeper understanding of the EU legal system, providing valuable qualifications for legal work within the EU or in both public and private sectors.

This Master's programme is designed for active participation and informed choice. Its elective component enables students to tailor their own academic profile, enhancing their future career prospects. Graduates are well-prepared for roles in the private sector, governmental bodies within Sweden or the EU, and for further academic research in the field of law.

A Master's degree in European Economic Law provides a strong foundation for doctoral-level studies in EU law. During the first year, students gain a foundational understanding of the specific features of EU law and the legal issues linked to the Union's economic constitution. In the second year, students have the opportunity to specialise in specific areas of EU economic law.

Goals

Knowledge and understanding

For a one-year Master's degree (Magister), students are expected to gain understanding of the fundamental elements of the EU's economic constitution, including constitutional law, internal market law, and competition law.

For a two-year Master's degree, students shall demonstrate advanced knowledge in these areas as well as in selected aspects of EU economic law.

Competence and skills

First year students shall be able to discuss general issues relating to the EU and economic law on a macro level and apply this understanding to the analysis of practical issues on a micro level. They shall be able to work in interdisciplinary environments, identify and resolve problems in EU constitutional law, internal market law, and competition law, including how these areas relate to sustainability. They must also be able to analyse legal situations, arguments, and sources relevant to EU law and engage in practical legal negotiations and procedures.

Second year students shall be able to systematically and critically address issues related to EU economic law using advanced legal methodologies and expertise in relevant legal areas. They shall be able to identify and address relevant legal questions in EU economic legislation both independently and collaboratively. Furthermore, students shall demonstrate creativity in legal writing and oral presentations, suitable for both academic and professional contexts, including negotiations and legal proceedings.

Judgement and approach

Students shall be able to critically and objectively assess legal aspects of EU integration and consider their national and global relevance. They shall also be able to reflect upon and discuss the social, environmental, and economic dimensions of sustainability within the EU legal framework and make personal judgements informed by these considerations.

Course information

The programme is divided into four semesters and consists of a mix of compulsory and elective courses. Each course is governed by a syllabus approved by the Educational Committee of the Law Faculty Board.

Semester 1

- EU Constitutional Law – 12 credits
- Negotiations – 3 credits
- Internal Market Law – 12 credits
- Argumentation and Methodology – 3 credits

Semester 2

- EU Competition Law – 15 credits
- Master Thesis I – 15 credits, for students pursuing the one-year degree, or
- Elective course(s) – 15 credits, for students pursuing the two-year degree

Semester 3

- Elective courses – 30 credits

Semester 4

- Master Thesis – 30 credits

Elective Courses

The programme offers elective courses focusing on European economic law, for example, in intellectual property law, artificial intelligence, internal market law, and trade law. Available elective courses are determined for each academic year.

Master Thesis

The Master thesis (30 credits) consists of one semester (semester 4) of independent research within a specialised area of European economic law.

The Magister thesis (15 credits) consists of a half-semester of independent research (in semester 2) within a specialised area of European economic law.

All theses are presented at public seminars.

Degree

Degree titles

Degree of Master of Laws in European Economic Law (60 credits)

Major: European Economic Law

Juris magisterexamen i europeisk ekonomisk rätt

Huvudområde: Europeisk ekonomisk rätt

Degree of Master of Laws in European Economic Law (120 credits)

Major: European Economic Law

Juris masterexamen i europeisk ekonomisk rätt

Huvudområde: Europeisk ekonomisk rätt

After completion of the two-years programme the degree awarded is Master of Laws (Two Years) in European Economic Law (LL.M.) - Juris masterexamen i Europeisk ekonomisk rätt.

After one year of study, students can be awarded a degree of Master of Laws (One Year) in European Economic Law - Juris magisterexamen i Europeisk ekonomisk rätt. In order to obtain a degree of Master (One Year) - Magisterexamen – students need to pass the compulsory courses, and the Master thesis (15 credits) adding up to a total of 60 credits.

Requirements and Selection method

Requirements

The programme is open to both Swedish and foreign students holding, at least, a 3 year Bachelor degree in law (Bachelor, LL.B, or equivalent). Applicants must prove knowledge of English corresponding to English 6/English course B.

Selection method

Based on grades on previous courses, letter of intent, and 2 letters of recommendation.

Other information

The University views plagiarism as a serious academic offence, and will take disciplinary actions against students for any kind of attempted malpractice in connection with examinations and assessments. The penalty that may be imposed for this, and other unfair practice in examinations or assessments, includes suspension from the University.