The Faculty of Law
The Faculty of Law is centrally located in the Neue Aula, the University's historical main building. Our Faculty has more than 2,700 students – including more than 300 international students – and 21 professors. It has been respected for its performance in training and research both in the region and beyond for more than 500 years. The Faculty library provides a comprehensive collection of legal works, access to the most important legal databases, user-friendly opening hours and ideal conditions for studying and carrying out research.

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Innovative. Interdisciplinary. International. Since 1477. These have been the University of Tübingen's guiding principles in both research and teaching ever since it was founded. The University is one of Germany's oldest and most respected, and offers excellent conditions for a course of study with an individual focus. Tübingen not only provides an optimal environment for learning and teaching, it also offers a wide range of other activities via the University Sport Center, the Language Learning Center, the interdisciplinary Studium Generale forum and a modern University Library. The University's motto speaks for itself: attempto – I dare!

The town of Tübingen
Tübingen doesn't have a University, Tübingen is a University. The historical old town and its picturesque location on the Neckar River enhance the high quality of life and provide excellent opportunities for outdoor activities. Tübingen is within easy reach of an international airport and the regional capital, Stuttgart. Southwest Germany is an excellent location for international law firms, businesses and financial services providers. Many multinational companies are based here.

FURTHER INFORMATION
You can find comprehensive, current information on the University of Tübingen LL.M. course on our home page (in German):

### Areas of specialization:
1. Commercial and Business Law
   - Business organization and financing
   - Labor and social welfare in business
   - Competition and intellectual property
2. The Law of Civil Procedure and Insolvency
3. Foundations of European Law
   - The historical development of civil law
   - The history of law in the modern age
   - Ecclesiastical law and state law governing religion
4. The Law of International Relations (International Public Law, European Law, Private International Law and Comparative Law)
   - International public law (including international business law)
   - International private and procedural law, comparative law (including European private law)
5. Public-sector Economy, Infrastructure and the Environment
6. Taxation
7. Criminology and Administration of Criminal Justice

### Winter Semester
- At least ten credit hours of classes per week
  - Basic Course I (Private Law, Criminal Law or Public Law)
  - at least four credit hours of classes per week in your specialist area
- Case studies (Private Law, Criminal Law or Public Law)
- LL.M. seminar

### Summer Semester
- At least eight credit hours of classes per week
  - Basic Course II (Private Law, Criminal Law or Public Law)
  - at least four credit hours of classes per week in your specialist area
- Magister/Master's thesis
- LL.M. seminar
- Final LL.M. oral examination
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Only 15 places are available annually. We therefore make a selection of suitable applicants.

The LL.M. program enables law graduates from outside Germany to obtain sound knowledge in a field of German law of their choosing. Professors and lecturers with hands-on experience ensure that the training combines high academic standards with practical relevance. Graduates of this program have obtained the necessary skills to compare German law with the law of their home countries and find theoretical and practical solutions to transnational legal problems.

Participants write their Master’s Degree in German, thereby learning how German lawyers work and think as well as the methods of academic work. The LL.M. degree therefore forms an ideal basis for doctoral studies.

The Law Faculty at the University of Tübingen has conferred the “legum magister” (Master of Laws) degree on international graduates for more than 25 years. Participants in the program obtain a basic knowledge of German law and are able to specialize in a legal field of their choosing.

The LL.M. study program at the University of Tübingen commences each winter semester and takes 10 months to complete. It takes place completely in German. Participants attend regular classes with German students. In this way they learn legal German and are integrated into University life from day one. Each semester, participants attend basic courses in one of the three major legal fields – private, criminal, or public law – and learn the foundations of that particular branch of the law.

Parallel to these specialist studies, there are additional choices and the option of further individual specialization. Participants may choose between several areas of specialization and attend classes in those areas. And they choose their own topic for their Master’s thesis – in consultation with a Professor as academic counselor.

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The LL.M. study program has been developed as a one-year, full-time course and the volume of material to be covered reflects this. For this reason it is not suitable for part-time study while working. Along with a good knowledge of German and interest in German law, participants must also be committed and able to work independently.

There is no tuition fee to be paid.

**Options**

- **Course commencement:** winter semester only
- **Regular duration:** 2 semesters
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- **Language of instruction:** German

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