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How to apply

The LL.M. is designed for international students interested in China and for Chinese students interested in EU Law. Applicants must hold a law degree prior to enrolment and have good proficiency in English.

Required documents

- Copy of passport
- English CV
- Secondary school degree
- Completed application form and financial statement
- Letter of recommendation in English, by one of your professors. Please ask her or him to e-mail the PDF directly to us.
- Copy of first law degree certificate and an English translation
- Academic transcript including the grading scheme and a translation
- Copy of English certificate (undergraduate studies in English, a TOEFL score of 100+ or an IELTS of 7.0+ or equivalent)

Please submit all documents to cesl-master-programme@jura.uni-hamburg.de and present originals bearing your signature at registration.

Tuition

The tuition fee for the one-year programme is 60,000 yuan.

Curriculum

- **Public International Law & Human Rights**
  - International Organizations
  - European Human Rights Law
  - International Dimensions of Human Rights
  - Legal Traditions
  - 10 CP

- **European Union Law**
  - Legal Foundations of European Political Systems
  - Area of Freedom, Security and Justice
  - Internal Market
  - External Relations/CCP
  - Competition Law
  - 10 CP

- **International Business Law**
  - Conflict of Laws
  - CISG
  - WTO Law
  - Intellectual Property Law
  - Arbitration
  - 9 CP

- **Elective Courses**
  - 6 CP

- **Master’s Thesis**
  - 15 CP

Financial support for European students

With the new “Building Bridges Scholarship”, for the first time the China-EU School of Law together with the EU and the PRC will support five outstanding European partner university law graduates to study in the 2019-2020 LL.M. programme. Successful applicants will be granted a scholarship covering the full tuition fee. The scholarship aims to strengthen ties between China and Europe, and the school’s partners as well as promote mutual understanding. “Building Bridges Scholarship” holders are selected according to evidence of outstanding academic performance and a sincere commitment to furthering the Chinese-European cooperation. The scholarship is designed only for graduates from CESL’s 13 European partner universities.

For further external scholarships, please contact your home university’s international office for information on scholarships in your home country and at your home university (e.g. Erasmus). International students may also apply to the China Scholarship Council (CSC).

Do you have questions? Please visit our website at en.cesl.edu.cn or contact Ms Griselda Qosja, China-EU School of Law Consortium Office, Universität Hamburg, Rothenbaumchaussee 33, 20484 Hamburg, Germany. Tel: +49 40 428 38-68 30 grisenta.qosja@uni-hamburg.de

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The LL.M. programme at a glance

- **Application deadline**: 1 June 2019
- **Duration**: One academic year: September 2019 to August 2020
- **Credits**: 60 ECTS credit points
- **Degree awarded**: Master of Laws (LL.M.) from Universität Hamburg
- **Courses**: European and international law, Chinese law courses also available
- **Faculty**: Professors from 13 top European universities
- **Further opportunities**: Law firm guest lectures, Vis Moot competitions, Scholarships, Building Bridges Scholarship
- **Language**: English

The first jointly-run Chinese-European law school

The China-EU School of Law (CESL) is an ideal place to sharpen the perspective on the big picture of China-EU legal relations – and the role a legal talent can play. Initiated by the People’s Republic of China and the European Union in 2008, CESL was the first Chinese-foreign law school. In 2018, CESL celebrated its 10-year anniversary.

**Excellent partners**
The school is supported by 16 long-term partner universities in China and Europe. Eleven belong to the best universities in the world according to the 2018 QS World University Ranking. The China University of Political Science and Law and Universität Hamburg are the coordinators of the school.

**A Flying Faculty**
Students are taught by selected professors from the 13 European partner universities. Additionally, European assistant professors teach permanently in Beijing to ensure continuity. Since many lecturers fly back and forth between China and Europe several times a year, they are called the ‘Flying Faculty’.

**Personal support**
Application, visa, student card, access to the library; CESL’s programme administrators help international students prepare for their year in Beijing. Additionally, a local student is assigned as a buddy to assist international students and help them settle in after arrival.

An inspiring metropolis
The China-EU School of Law’s location in the Changping district, a northern suburb of Beijing, allows students to explore the cultural, legal and political heart of China. Changping is also an excellent base for exploring downtown Beijing; the city centre is a 45-minute subway ride from campus.

A rich cultural heritage
Major attractions such as the Ming Tombs and Jundu Mountain Range are around 15-30 minutes by bus from campus. The Great Wall is about one hour by car.

A place to live
International students are provided accommodation in the dormitory at the International Exchange Centre on the Changping campus. A standard room is shared by four students. It costs approximately 2,520 yuan per person per academic year. Students can also live in an apartment close to campus. A small apartment costs around 4,000 yuan per month, which could be shared by two persons. Shopping centres, banks, apothecaries, hotels and restaurants are all within walking distance of campus. For living expenses, food, books, medical insurance, transportation, social activities, etc. – international students usually spend 2,500 yuan per month.

“Teaching at the China-EU School of Law was exciting, and it inspired me. The students were highly committed, hardworking and willing to question inherited beliefs.”

- **Prof. Peter Van den Bossche**, WTO and Maastricht University

"What I learned at the China-EU School of Law and the excellent reputation of the universities involved helped me get my current position”

- **Sun Kai, Alumnus, Chinese Ministry of Commerce"**