Who can apply?
The China-EU School of Law is looking for law students who are citizens of a country other than the P.R. China. Applicants must hold a first law degree (e.g. LL.B. or State Examination) or be completing their degree by the time of registration. Applicants must have sufficient proficiency in English (demonstrated by being a native speaker, having completed undergraduate studies in English, a TOEFL score of 100+ or an IELTS of 7.0+).

How much does the programme cost?
The tuition is 87,000 yuan for the two years. However, students from CESL’s 13 European partner universities will receive scholarships in the amount of 37,000 yuan.

What documents do you have to submit?
- Copy of passport
- Completed and signed application form and financial statement (both available for download at www.cesl.edu.cn.)
- English CV
- Letter of recommendation in English, written and signed by one of your professors (please ask the professor to e-mail a pdf to us)
- First law degree certificate (if already obtained) and an English translation
- Academic transcript including the grading scheme and an English translation
- Copy of TOEFL or IELTS certificate, or equivalent

Please send all documents to imcl_cesl@cupl.edu.cn and present originals bearing your signature at registration.

Where do I live?
International students are provided accommodation in the dormitory at the International Exchange Centre on CUPL’s Changping campus. A standard room is shared by four students. It costs approximately 5,250 yuan per person per academic year. Students can also live in an apartment close to campus. A small apartment costs approximately 4,000 yuan per month.

There are several athletic facilities on campus for tennis, basketball, football and badminton as well as a gym. Shopping centres, banks, a post office, hotels and restaurants are all within walking distance of campus. For living expenses - food, books, medical insurance, transportation etc. - international students usually budget 2,500 yuan per month, but may spend more on social and tourism activities.

The programme at a glance
- Application deadline: 1 May 2020
- Duration: Two years, September 2020 to July 2022 (First year full time studies in Beijing. Second year writing the Master thesis, either in China or elsewhere.)
- Degree: Master of Laws (LL.M.) conferred by the China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL)
- Classes: Diverse classes with international and Chinese students
- Tuition: 87,000 yuan (37,000 yuan scholarship for students from CESL European partner universities)
- Language: English
The Masterprogramme "International Master of Chinese Law" (IMCL) exposes international students to Chinese legal thinking and culture. The courses at the China-EU School of Law (CESL) at the China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL) provide students with fundamental insights into Chinese law and its constant evolution as well as with a comparative approach to legal studies. Successful participants will receive a LL.M. degree and transcript. The IMCL programme will mainly focus on Chinese civil and commercial law. Students must take a minimum of 26 CUPL credits. Courses are taught by experienced Chinese professors with an international education background specialised in their respective field. Please visit http://en.cesl.edu.cn to see the list of compulsory and elective courses offered. IMCL candidates must submit a master thesis of at least 20,000 words in English and pass a defence to fulfill the requirements for the LL.M. degree.

Few schools will instruct you better on Chinese law
The China-EU School of Law is integrated into CUPL, one of China’s leading law schools. The School is supported by 16 long-term partner universities and 28 associates in China and Europe. CUPL and Universität Hamburg are the coordinators of the School.

Over ten years of educating future leaders
Initiated by the People’s Republic of China and the European Union in 2008, CESL was the first Chinese-foreign law school worldwide to bring together legal experts from China, Europe and other parts of the world. In 2018, CESL celebrated its 10-year anniversary.

Prepare for an international career
In the classroom, you will study in mostly small groups with law students from all around the world. Participants have come from 26 countries. Depending on their profile, students prepare for a wide variety of positions and later work for international law firms, companies, organisations or government authorities.

Personal attention and support
Questions on the application, visa, your student card or access to the library? CESL’s programme administrators help students from abroad prepare for their semester in Beijing. Additionally, a local student is assigned as a buddy to assist international students and help them settle in after arriving.

...and on Sunday, a walk along the Great Wall
The School’s location in the Changping district, a northern suburb of Beijing, allows students to explore the cultural, political and legal heart of China. Changping is an excellent base for exploring downtown Beijing: the city centre is less than an hour subway ride from campus. Major attractions such as the Jundu Mountain Range and Ming Tombs are about 15-30 minutes from campus, and the Great Wall is about one hour by car.

Do you have specific questions about the programme?
You are welcome to visit our website at www.cesl.edu.cn or contact

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