

Invest in Investment Law!

Practical Information
On The International
And European
Trade And Investment
Law Program



University of Szeged
Faculty of Law
Institute of Comparative Law



Welcome note



Welcome to the University of Szeged, Faculty of Law and thank you for choosing our LL.M. Program. Knowing that during your stay in Szeged you will be placed in a stimulating learning environment, our University is proud to provide you with what can rightly be expected of one of the best universities in Hungary. With practical learning through dynamic teaching methods, it is guaranteed that you will receive the highest level of education from such

highly-qualified lecturers as János Martonyi, the former Hungarian Minister of Foreign Affairs. In conjunction with professors and attorneys at law with unrivalled reputation for quality and extensive practice experience, you will also be able to build important relationships. Studying international and European trade and investment law in the LL.M. Program, you will be offered new opportunities to support your career aspirations.

Prof. Dr. Attila Badó
Head of Institute

1. Brief description

This course provides thorough professional and theoretical education for students interested in the investment and commercial environment of the European Union. Students who intend to be corporate managers or emissaries in diplomacy or aspire to build successful legal careers in connection with the EU in any other field will also benefit from the course. Students having

completed their studies in this course may prove more successful and efficient in representing and attaining national, international, economic, scientific and cultural interests and objectives.

Successful completion of the course also provides students with extremely solid support and education in the field of investment and investment planning, strategies

and business partnerships. Furthermore, offering qualifications in the field of legal and administrative tasks and arrangements, it also conveys considerable know-how in the field of litigation, investment litigation and mediation in the EU. Finally, the course is specially designed to present excellent opportunities for state, non-profit and various other organizations such as commercial, trade and legal chambers to delegate students to the program.

2. Enrolment procedure

When: September (further information will be provided on the exact date)

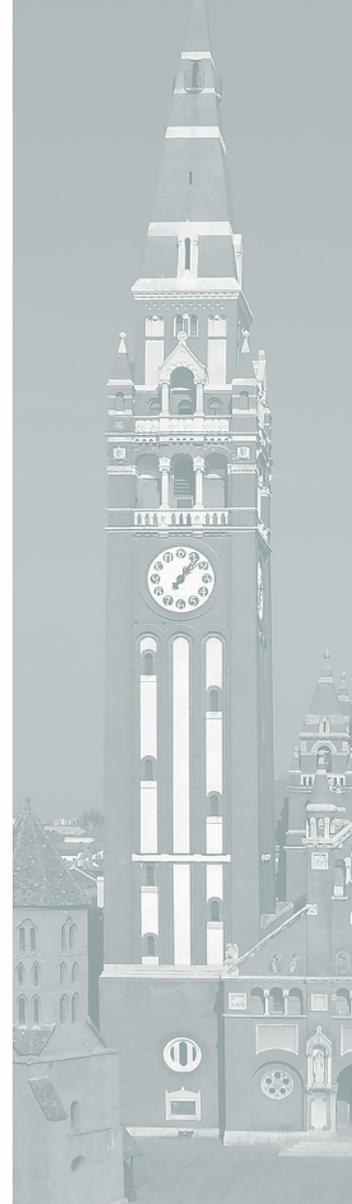
Where: H-6720 Szeged, Tisza Lajos krt. 54. (the main building of the Faculty of Law)

Entry requirements (documents you will need to present)

- original diploma/degree, or the certified copy of the diploma/degree
- original or certified copy of the certification of your English knowledge
- ID photo
- identity card/passport and a copy of it
- enrolment form (see in the appendix).

3. Terms of application

According to the degree type, our postgraduate training offers two streams. One for lawyers [Master of Laws (LL.M.) in International and European Trade and Investment Law], and one for



non-lawyers (Legal Consultant in International and European Trade and Investment Law).

For those who would like to join the Training, it is an essential condition to have at least a bachelor degree. The Program also offers a certificate for those holding a BA degree at the end of the 2nd semester. Students with a master's degree will receive a new Legal Master's degree (LL.M.)

The Program is organised not only for students having a degree in law, but also for those who completed their studies in the field of social sciences.

Applicants must demonstrate an excellent command of the English language. Also, applicants will be required to submit an internationally accredited language exam certificate (e.g. TOEFL, IELTS or GRE).

4. Date of application and tuition fee

The Training will be launched in September 2017. Application forms have to be submitted by 15 August 2017. All applications must include two confidential academic references; a transcript of your previous studies; an internationally recognised and accredited English language exam (if applicable); and proof of payment of the application fee.

An application fee of 20 USD will apply to each application submitted to the LL.M. Program.

All foreign students have to pay 1,000 USD in each semester as tuition fee.

5. Courses and the final thesis

The LL.M. Program offers students a wide range of courses to choose from.

Legal Stream		Non-legal Stream (Students with Social Sciences Degree)	
Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 1	Semester 2
Methodology	ADR in International Investment Transactions	Introduction to Law	Alternative Dispute Resolution in International Investment Transactions
International Business and Legal English and Drafting Legal Documents	European Business Environment	International Business and Legal English, Drafting Business and Legal Documents	European Business Environment
International Negotiations and Intercultural Communication	International Tax and Banking Law	Introduction to Comparative Law	International Tax and Banking Law
International Private Law and the Law of International Economic Relations	Comparative Competition Law	International Private Law and the Law of International Economic Relations	Comparative Competition Law
International Financial Management		Introduction to Comparative Company Law	Preparatory Consultations for the Final Examination
Comparative Company Law		International Trade Law and the Law of WTO	
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Elective courses		Elective courses	
Industrial Relations and Employment Policies		Industrial Relations and Employment Policies	
International and European Copyright Law		International and European Copyright Law	
International and European Patent and Trademark Law		International and European Patent and Trademark Law	
European Economic and Monetary Union		European Economic and Monetary Union	
Atypical Contracts and Public Procurement Law		Atypical Contracts and Public Procurement Law	
Capital Markets and Securities Regulation		Capital Markets and Securities Regulation	

There are several core subjects which form the basis of the LL.M. There are additional compulsory courses as well. The LL.M. Program is designed to allow students to choose from a wide range of elective specialized courses. This flexibility allows students to either diversify into several areas of the law or to choose one particular area enabling them to gain a specialized LL.M. degree. In addition to the core modules, there is a 20-page dissertation to be supervised by one of the course teachers overseeing the students' progress.

The modules will be assessed by either written or oral examinations. Each examination follows a multi-stage testing system. The dissertation is worth 5 credits, the preparatory and introductory courses are 27 credits, the compulsory courses are 16 credits and the elective courses are 12 credits. Students must successfully complete all parts of the program in order to be awarded the LL.M degree or certificate.

There are also two streams of studies which may be pursued by the students. For law graduates there is the "law stream" with classes that are effectively tailored to their legal backgrounds. As for non-law graduates, they may obtain a specialized LL.M. with classes focusing on providing them with a more nuanced education.

6. Final exam

In order to be admitted to the final (state) exam, all the credits have to be acquired for the compulsory and the elective courses, and the final thesis has to be submitted to the elected supervisor. The final (state) exam will consist of two parts: defence of the thesis and an oral exam.

7. Teachers

In addition to the teachers listed below we have internationally recognised lecturers who are experts in their respective fields. These professionals are invited by the Institute of Comparative Law to hold classes within the remit of this program. Their classes complement and complete the training of students in the LL.M. Program and help to further the academic studies of the students enrolled in our LL.M. Program.

■ **The Program Director, Prof. Dr. Attila Badó** is a Professor of Law and the Director of the Institute of Comparative Law at the University of Szeged, Szeged, Hungary.

His main areas of research include Comparative Law, judicial independence and the administration of justice. He is the author of numerous books, textbooks, articles and essays. His work has been published in Hungarian, English, French as well as German. Professor Badó has been the recipient of many distinctions including the 'Pro Scientia Gold Medal', awarded by the Hungarian Academy of Sciences for excellence in mentorship and commitment to undergraduate research activities, and he also received the French honorary title of 'Officer of the Order of Academic Palms' (Ordre des Palmes Academiques) for his contribution to academics and education.

■ **The Co-Program Director, Dr. Csongor István Nagy** is an associate professor in Hungary, the head of the Department of Private International Law at the University of Szeged, Faculty of Law, the leader of the Federal Markets "Momentum" Research Group at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, and an attorney-at-law admitted to the Budapest Bar. Furthermore, he is a visiting professor at the Sapientia University of Transylvania and at the Riga Graduate School of Law.

He graduated from Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE), Faculty of Law in Budapest, in 2003, where he also earned a PhD in 2009. During his studies he became a member of Eötvös Loránd University István Bibó College of Law and Political Sciences and of the Invisible College. He received his master's (LL.M., 2004) and S.J.D degree (2010) from the Central European University (CEU) in Budapest. He pursued graduate and postgraduate studies in Rotterdam, Heidelberg and New York.



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He had visiting appointments in the Hague (Asser Institute), Munich (twice, Max Planck Institute), Hamburg (Max Planck Institute), Edinburgh (University of Edinburgh) and London (British Institute of International and Comparative Law) and was visiting faculty, among others, at CEU Business School, the Corvinus University of Budapest, the International Business School, Budapest and at the Masarykova University, Brno. He was Eurojus legal adviser in the European Commission's Representation in Hungary.

■ **Prof. Dr. János Martonyi MP**, is the former Minister of Foreign Affairs in Hungary. Prof. Dr. János Martonyi MP is an expert in International Trade Law. His expertise means that he has held several visiting professorships at the College of Europe in Brugge and Warsaw as well as the Central European University in Budapest. He is an associate professor at both the Eötvös Lóránd University and the University of Szeged in their Departments of Private International Law. From 2000 to 2010 he was Head of the Private International Law Department at the University of Szeged. Prof. Dr. János Martonyi MP has been awarded, among others, the Commander's Cross with the Star of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Hungary, National Order of the Legion of Honor of France (commander's and officer's rank), National Order of Merit of France as well as British, Austrian, Polish and Bulgarian state decorations.

■ **Dr. Péter Mezei** is a full-time faculty member of Szeged Law School and an adjunct professor (dosentti) of the University of Turku. He has delivered 34 English language lectures at universities in Finland, the United States, France, Germany, United Kingdom and Russia. He has held 64 conference presentations in Hungary, Germany, Canada, United States, United Kingdom, Austria, Finland, France, Poland and Indonesia. He is the author/editor of 9 books and author of 67 articles/book chapters. He is the consultant of three Ph.D. students at Szeged Law School. Six of his graduate students won Hungarian contests with their papers on copyright law. Apart from his academic career he is working as a legal advisor specialized in the field of copyright law. His clients include book publishing companies, recording companies and private people. He is a member of the Hungarian Copyright Expert Board and participates in the conclusion of expert opinions on digital copyright issues.

■ **Dr. Samantha Joy Cheesman** is currently a senior law lecturer at the University of Szeged, Institute of Comparative Law. She is also the current course coordinator and responsible for the content, teaching and administration of the LL.M.

She graduated with LL.B (Hons.) in Law from the University of Bristol and a Masters (LL.M.) in International Human Rights from the University of the West of England. She is



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also a non-practising barrister of the bar of England and Wales. She has also worked with several non-governmental agencies looking at analyses and policy making in Human rights for people living with disabilities, sexual minorities and freedom of expression. Her current research focuses upon the right to a fair trial, in particular defence rights as well as plea bargaining and its implementation in newly formed jurisdictions.

■ **Dr. Anita Pelle** was born in 1975 in Szeged, Hungary. She first worked for a German multinational trading company in Germany and Hungary. She then returned to her alma mater where she is currently associate professor at the University of Szeged, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, Institute of Finance and International Economic Relations.

Anita Pelle defended her Ph.D. (summa cum laude) in 2010 in the field of European competition regulation. During 2013–2014 she held a Zoltán Magyary post-doctoral scholarship, and since September 2014 she has been appointed Jean Monnet Chair at the University of Szeged.

She is currently involved in the research and teaching on the European economy, competition in the internal market of the EU, and European competitiveness. She has also been regularly teaching in France (Lyon and Angers), and lately in Italy (Pavia). She is the author of 44 scientific publications in English and Hungarian, including 4 university textbooks.

■ **Dr. Márton Sulyok** is a graduate of law, a Ph.D. candidate and a junior lecturer at the Department of Constitutional Law at the University of Szeged, Faculty of Law, Szeged, Hungary.

His main research areas include the right to a fair trial in the changing world of the information age, with respect to the right to privacy, as well as emerging governance theories and the changing facade of the right to a fair trial in different legal systems throughout the world, with respect to transparency of the justice system and the protection of fundamental rights. In his research he benefits from the well-founded knowledge of the US constitutional law acquired through the completion of a joint American Legal Expert certificate program organised by the University of Toledo, OH, College of Law, and the University of Szeged, Institute of Comparative Law. He speaks fluent English, French and German.

Dr. Mihály Mohácsi is an academic lecturer at the Institute of Comparative Law as well as Managing Partner of the Kelecsenyi Law Firm, Budapest. His academic research area is the IT based corporate, service development and management. After a German-Hungarian bilingual high school, he received his legal degree from the University of Szeged, Faculty of State and Law Sciences. From the beginning of his legal career he was a criminal law, criminal



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procedure and economy criminal law supervisor of a multinational London-based legal firm with a branch office in Budapest. He possesses multinational and international economic and chief executive experiences. His specializations as a legal expert are the complex legal management of corporations, efficiency control-, support and development of business and internal flows of corporations. His business knowledge includes corporate, service, sales and after sales (AF) management, customer's trust, business communication, negotiation and claim management techniques. He extended professional trips to North America, Asia, North-Africa and the EU. He has English and German legal and business language knowledge.

Dr. Sándor Hettinger is currently both a Ph.D. candidate and an assistant research fellow at the University of Szeged, Institute of Comparative Law. Having spent several years focusing on the intricacies of law and language and being a legal translator in English, German and French and also having a strong command in Spanish, Italian, Dutch and Japanese, he has been using his experience to reflect on the development of multilingual lawmaking taking place in European Union. His main research areas include, among others, the relationship between law and language, the role of legal translation in legal harmonisation, terminological inconsistencies and incoherence in EU legislation, the EU approximation process of Member State national law provisions, legal translation and legal certainty in the EU as well as the role of the lawyer-linguist in multilingual lawmaking and the administration of justice.

Libraries:

The University Library [József Attila Tanulmányi és Információs Központ (TIK)] resources are available for students of the Master's program. A Student Card is needed in order to gain access to the library and to borrow a book.

Accommodation, health insurance and visa

We must emphasize that the tuition fee does not cover the expenditures below. Although the Pro Talentis Universitatis Fund helps students in the proceedings regarding the visa (if it is necessary for third country citizens) and health insurance. The fund also helps to find proper accommodation in the city of Szeged.

The administrative fee for the bureaucratic procedures is USD 100/semester. Our Fund is in contact with real estate agencies, hostels and student dormitories. Depending on the student's wishes, they can offer flat for rent (from EUR 300–600 per month), or a single room in a dormitory for EUR 200–300 per month). Please note that the above-mentioned amounts are only estimates.

Application and contact details

The application forms with the requested documents and certifications shall be sent

- **via post** to the following address:

H-6721 Szeged, Bocskai utca 10–12,
Összehasonlító Jogi Intézet

- **via e-mails:**

oji@juris.u-szeged.hu
harkai.istvan89@gmail.com.

- or under the following webpage can be sent **electronically:**

www.juris.u-szeged.hu

Should you have any further queries on the LL.M. Program, do not hesitate to **contact us**.



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