

# Master of Contract Law

Master of Law, Business, Management Private Law Honours Contract Law Studies

High level professional training in all areas of contract law (common law and special rights, commercial and civil contracts). It includes training in the field of organisation management and contract negotiation as well as an insight into the world of business, foreign laws and English language learning.

## **Objectives**

> Provide students with in-depth knowledge of law and the practice of civil and commercial contracts.

> Train students in the negotiation and drafting of complex contractual arrangements in collaboration with professional contributors.

These studies can lead to employment as in-house jurists, legal consultants and university careers.

# Who's it for?

#### **Entry requirements**

For the Master 1: Bachelor of law or equivalent diploma.

**For the Master 2:** Master 1 of law or equivalent diploma in accordance with national and European guidelines. Teaching staff make the selection on the basis of academic record (past grades, CV, cover letter) and, where necessary, an oral interview. A good level of English language is an asset.

- > Prepare your Master application
- > Application terms

## Methodology, intellectual processes

> Understanding of contract drafting, contractual rules and their practical implementation in terms of contractual clauses.

- > Understanding of all sources of legal documentation.
- > Aptitude for teamwork and consideration of complex contractual plans.
- > Ability to understand and write a contract in English.
- > Appreciation of the business world and managerial techniques.
- > For research studies, overview of contract law and aptitude for writing structured research.



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#### Prospects

This Master 2 provides students with a specialisation in contract law whilst offering an overview of any legal and business contexts addressed in the course.

It enables them to focus on careers mainly in **business**, **legal firms** and **universities** for those who decide to take the degree's research studies.



## Course

#### FIRST YEAR OF MASTER

NB: The first year of the Law and Contracts Studies is mainly pooled with the first year of the Justice, Trail, Procedure and different Business Law Honours courses (Business).

*Dissertation: Lyon 2 and Lyon 3 core base* Surety law 3 ECTS - Civil execution proceedings 3 ECTS - Estates 3 ECTS - Companies in difficulty 3 ECTS

SEMESTER 1	Hour volume		ECTS
	Lecture	Tutorial	credits
CONTRACTUAL AND COMMERCIAL RELATIONSHIPS SECTOR			10
Civil and commercial contracts (pooled with Business)	27 hr	14 hr	5
Surety law (pooled with Business)	27 hr	14 hr	5
MARKET LAW SECTOR			6
Competition law (pooled with Business)	20 hr	-	3
Consumer law (pooled with Business)	20 hr		3
FAMILY AND PROPERTY LAW			3
Marriage contracts (pooled with JTP)	27 hr	-	3
INTERNATIONAL SECTOR			5
International private law (pooled with Business)	27 hr	-	3
English	-	20 hr	2
SPECIALISATION SECTOR			2
Advanced contract law	20 hr	-	2

WORK PLACEMENT SECTOR			2
Work placement module	-	11 hr	2

SEMESTER 2	Hour volume		ECTS
	Lecture	Tutorial	credits
Without pre- vocational training module			
PROCEDURE SECTOR			4
Civil procedure (pooled with JTP)	27 hr		2
Civil execution proceedings (pooled with JTP)	27 hr	-	2
BUSINESS AND PROPERTY LAW			12
Insolvency law (pooled with Business)	27 hr	14 hr	5
Estates (pooled with JTP)	27 hr	14 hr	5
Intellectual property (pooled with Business)	27 hr	-	2
INTERNATIONAL SECTOR			5
European private law (pooled with JTP)	20 hr	-	3
English	-	20 hr	2
FREE MODULE			2
One subject from the following 3: - Philosophy of	20 hr	-	2
law (pooled with Business)			
- History of private law (pooled with JTP)			
- Major contemporary legal systems	+33 (0)4 77 42 13 60		Membre d

WORK PLACEMENT SECTOR			10
Work experience (placement)	-	-	10
With pre-vocational training module			
Insolvency law (pooled with Business)	27 hr	-	5
Estates (pooled with JTP)	27 hr	-	5
Civil execution proceedings (pooled with JTP)	27 hr	-	3

#### SECOND YEAR OF MASTER

SEMESTER 3	Hour volume
CORE CURRICULUM	
Cross-disciplinary seminars / Common contract law	75 hr
Theory and practice approach addressing all contract stages and specific contractual issues (complex contracts, e-commerce etc.)	
Seminar / Special business law contracts	60 hr
E.g. distribution, franchise, IP, procedure and transport contracts	
Seminar / Legal contract English	20 hr
Course taught entirely in English with a focus on legal language and role play	
Business lectures	10 hr
Research methodology	10 hr
P STUDIES	
Seminar / Contract and organisation management	15 hr
Managerial contractual technique	

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R STUDIES	
Lecture / General contract theory	15 hr

SEMESTER 4	Hour volume
CORE CURRICULUM	
Seminar / Legal contract English	20 hr
Course taught entirely in English with a focus on legal language and role play	
Foreign contract law lectures	10 hr
P STUDIES	
Workshops / Drafting clauses and contract litigation In response to cross-disciplinary classes in semester 3 (identify sensitive clauses, traps to avoid, how to behave in negotiation etc.; case study, drafting clauses, contract litigation	70 hr
handling, contractual arrangements) Seminar / Contract and organisation management Organisation management	15 hr
4 month placement and report writing-viva in September	-
R STUDIES	
Seminar / Contract law Pooled with Fundamental Private Law M2	20 hr
Research viva in July	-

## **Teaching method**

The master is designed to broaden knowledge gained in contract law as well as provide students with practical training through role plays, case studies and drafting clauses.

The aim of the course is to provide students with an understanding of the contractual sector in different business and legal contexts.

It includes a 4-month placement (company, legal firm etc.).



A research-focused course is also available as part of this degree for students who wish to pursue a university career or are interested in writing a research thesis instead of doing a work placement.

## **Teaching staff**

Professionals make up the most part of the teaching staff (mainly lawyers and business lawyers).

### Calendar

The M1 course can run from September to late June. The M2

course runs from mid-September to late March.

