

Master of Law, Economy,  
Management Corporate Law  
Honours Law and Business  
Studies

**The Master of Law and Business is a general corporate law course divided into three specialisations: in-house jurist, labour law jurist and research.**

> **It is a general course** with a core curriculum enabling all students to train in all branches of business-related law so they can handle cases from any sector in corporate life. This versatility meets the current needs of the corporate law employment market.

> **The course is divided into three specialisations** to enable students to delve deeper into corporate law, labour law or conducting a thesis project in these subjects.

## Objectives

### FIRST YEAR: EARLY SPECIALISATION

Study of different branches of law that are related to corporate life: civil and commercial contracts, competition law, consumer law, labour law, tax law, European business law, intellectual property and surety law. This core curriculum is completed by:

- > A course in the student's chosen speciality (corporate law or labour law)
- > A compulsory work placement (short placement for 3-4 weeks or long placement for 3.5 months).

### SECOND YEAR: CHOOSE THE WORKING METHOD

Learn the working method and tools to be immediately operational at the end of the course through:

- > Practical lessons and seminars about cases taught by professionals
- > Legal methodology lessons
- > An introductory module about key issues faced by companies today.

In-house jurist and social law jurist specialisation students complete a 3.5 month work placement providing a real legal assignment. They can also choose a professional training contract and take the course on a sandwich basis.

Research specialisation students complete a research placement at **CERCRID** and a research thesis.

### A PARTNERSHIP WITH COUNTLESS BODIES AND BUSINESSES

The course has strong roots in **local and regional professional sectors**: legal department managers at large companies namely the Casino group, banks and public services (URSSAF-DIRECCTE, Chamber of Commerce etc.), legal firms or charter accountancy firms.

This partnership sees professionals take part in lessons, welcome and mentor students on placements and pave the way for seeking employment at the end of the course.

### TRAINING FOCUSED ON WORK EXPERIENCE

> **"Passport to employment"**: This module is available in first and second year. It includes a variety of workshops preparing for the professional world (knowledge of the business world, CV writing and job interview skills etc.) taught by professionals.

> **Work experience** is compulsory for all first and second year students.

> **Sandwich course:** The second year of the Master's can be completed as part of a vocational training contract with a company. Students are both students and employees (and paid as employees). Students spend three days at university and two days in company from September to late March: students work full-time in company and write a thesis covering assignments completed at the company from late March to September.

## Who's it for?

### Entry requirements

#### First year:

> From the 2018/2019 academic term, entry to the first year of the Master is subject to a selection process.

- > Prepare your Master application
- > Application terms

#### Second year:

> For the 2018/2019 university term, access to the second year of the "Law and Business" studies is based on academic record and application form and may include an interview.

> Applications are to be completed between May 15th and June 30th on the [eCandidat](#) website. JMU

> From the 2019/2020 university term, access to the second year of one of the Corporate Law study options will be automatic for students who have completed the first year. Continuing "Law and Business" studies into the second year is subject to availability.

## What's next?

### Continuing education

- > PhD
- > Preparation for competitions and entrance exams for schools for different legal professions (CRFPA, ENM etc.)

### Prospects

> **In-house jurist specialisation:** in-house jurist, bank and insurance jurist, assistant to a legal administrator or legal representative, specialist business law notary, civil servant in competent tax and social bodies or business lawyer.

> **Social law jurist specialisation:** in-house jurist specialising in social law, legal director, head of the social law department, social security executive, labour inspector or specialist social lawyer.

> **Research specialisation:** university or CNRS researcher.

**EXCEPTIONAL EMPLOYMENT SUCCESS RATES:**Annual statistical studies conducted by the Student Life Observatory at Jean Monnet Saint-Étienne University found that **75 % of M2 Law and Business graduates find employment within 3 months of ending their course, 83% within 6 months and most have a permanent contract.**

# Course

1st year Master

SEMESTER 7	Provisional hour volume		Weighting
	Lecture	Tutorial	
<b>COMPANY CIVIL LAW SECTOR (Module 1)</b>			4
Civil and commercial contracts	27 hr	14 hr	3
Surety law	27 hr	14 hr	3
Entrepreneurial patrimonial rights	20 hr	-	2
International private law	27 hr	-	2
<b>COMPANY BUSINESS LAW SECTOR (Module 2)</b>			2
Competitio n law	20 hr	-	1
Consumer law	20 hr	-	1
Accounting law	24 hr	-	1
<b>SPECIALITY AND PATHWAY TRAINING (Module 3)</b>			1
One course from the following 3:  - Intensive labour law  - European Union corporate law  - Economic, instutional environment, health aspects	20 hr	-	2
English	-	20 hr	1
Work placement module	-	12 hr	-

SEMESTER 8 (Without pre- vocational training module)	Provisional hour volume		Weighting
	Lecture	Tutorial	
<b>FINANCIAL BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP LEGAL SECTOR (Module 4)</b>			4
Insolvency law	27 hr	14 hr	3
Tax law	27 hr	14 hr	3
Banking and financial engineering law	27 hr	-	2
<b>SPECIALITY AND ADDITIONAL COURSES (MODULE 5)</b>			3
One course from the following 3:  - Social protection law  - Corporate criminal law  - Health litigations	20 hr	-	2
Intellectual property law	27 hr	-	2
Civil execution proceedings	27 hr	-	2
English	-	20 hr	1
<b>WORK EXPERIENCE</b>			
3-6 week placement	-	-	5

SEMESTER 8 (With pre- vocational training module)	Provisional hour volume		Weighting
	Lecture	Tutorial	
<b>FINANCIAL BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP LEGAL</b>			1

<b>SECTOR (Module 4)</b>			
Insolvency law	27 hr		1
<b>SPECIALITY AND ADDITIONAL COURSES (MODULE 5)</b>			2
One course from the following 3:  - Social protection law  - Corporate criminal law  - Health litigations	20 hr	-	1
Intellectual property law	-	27 hr	1
<b>PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE MODULE SECTOR (MODULE 6)</b>			
3 month placement	-	-	5

## 2nd year Master's

Master 2	Provisional hour volume		Weighting
	Lecture	Tutorial	
<b>SECTOR 1: THE COMPANY AND ITS ORGANISATION</b>			3
Company law and business operations	25 hr	-	1
Corporate accounts and tax	29 hr	-	1
<b>SECTOR 2: THE COMPANY AND ITS PARTNERS</b>			3
Contractual relationships: business contracts	15 hr	-	2

Drafting contracts	10 hr	-	1
Seminar/Economic law	14 hr	-	1
Seminar/Banking law	14 hr	-	1
<b>SECTOR 3: THE COMPANY AND ITS EMPLOYEES</b>			<b>3</b>
Social restructuring law	25 hr	-	3
Modern history of business and work	15 hr	-	2
Seminar / Relationships with URSSAF	14 hr	-	1
<b>SECTOR 4: THE COMPANY AND JUSTICE</b>			<b>3</b>
Group procedures	15 hr	-	2
Dispute procedure practice	15 hr	-	2
Seminar / Consultation and plea practice	14 hr	-	1
Seminar/Insolvency law	14 hr	-	1
<b>SECTOR 5: GENERAL LEGAL CULTURE</b>			<b>4</b>
Digital law and business	15 hr	-	1
Work placement module	15 hr	-	1
Research methodology (including 4 hr of documentary methodology)	8 hr	-	-
Current cases and conferences	14 hr	-	1

Final oral exam	-	-	3
Business English	-	25 hr	1
<b>SECTOR 6: SPECIALISATION</b>			2
<b>&gt; Labour law specialisation</b>			
European labour law - Labour law news	20 hr	-	2
Health and safety in the workplace	15 hr	-	2
Seminar / Interpersonal relationships	14 hr	-	1
<b>&gt; Specialisation in-house jurist</b>			
International trade law	15 hr	-	2
Industrial property law - Insurance law	20 hr	-	2
Seminar / Company creation and transmission	14 hr	-	1
<b>&gt; Research specialisation</b>			
One of the following:  - European law law / Labour law news  - International trade law	15 hr	-	2
Legal source theory and practice ( <i>pooled with the JTP Master 2</i> )	15 hr	-	2
Franco-German research workshop ( <i>pooled with the JTP Master 2</i> )	10 hr	-	1
Participation in group research (21st century justice) ( <i>pooled with the JTP Master 2</i> )	9 hr	-	1

<b>SECTOR 7: PROFESSIONAL PROJECT</b>			8
<b>In-house jurist and social law jurist specialisations:</b> placement lasting at least 3.5 months and professional dissertation	-	-	8
<b>Research specialisation:</b> research placement at CERCRIID and dissertation	-	-	8

## Teaching staff

The teaching staff includes **research professors from** Saint-Étienne's law faculty: professors and lecturers renowned in France for their research activities overseen by **Jonas KNETSCH, private law professor** and **Camille de LAJARTE-MOUKOKO, lecturer**.

This team works with the law faculty's research centre: **CERCRIID** (Centre for Critical Research into Law). CERCRIID is the **only law research centre in the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region to be recognised by the CNRS** (French Centre for Scientific Research).

The teaching staff also includes **countless professionals**: lawyers, in-house or bank jurists, magistrates, chartered accountants, administration managers related with companies etc. They are all experienced professionals and highly qualified in their areas.

## Accreditation

All classes result in a grade (final exam or continuous assessment) Final tests are held in mid-December in the first semester and mid-March in the second.

Second semester exams include an oral.

The placement involves a dissertation. The viva is held in early July at the latest (to be able to apply for a PhD grant) for students specialising in research. The viva may be held in July or up to mid-September for students specialising in business law and labour law.

The final degree panel meets in early October.