REGULATION
of 7 December 2015

GOVERNING THE PROGRAM OF STUDIES AND THE EXAMINATIONS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE MASTER OF LAWS (LL.M.) IN CROSS-CULTURAL BUSINESS PRACTICE

The Faculty of Law of the University of Fribourg

In application of the law of November 19, 1997 of the University of Fribourg;

In application of article 68 of the Statutes of March 31, 2000 of the University of Fribourg;

in application of articles 1 and 8 of the Statutes of June 20, 2001 of the Law Faculty;

in application of the Statutes of June 14, 2013 of the Institute for International Business Law

Decides as follows:

Part I - General provisions

Article 1 Purpose

This Regulation governs the program of studies and the examinations for the Master of Laws (LLM) in Cross-Cultural Business Practice with specializations in:

(a) International Business Law,

(b) International Contracts & Arbitration and

(c) Compliance

(hereinafter referred to as the "LLM Program").

Article 2 Organization

[1]The Board of Directors of the Institute for International Business Law of the University of Fribourg (hereinafter, the "Institute") shall, in accordance with Art. 9 of the Statutes of June 14, 2013 of the Institute, supervise the LLM Program.

[2]The Board of Directors shall have among others the powers to:

(a) prepare the LLM programs' curricula and schedules of courses;

(b) decide on the admission of candidates;

(c) select and appoint the lecturers;

(d) organize the examinations and validate the results thereof;

(e) declare the successful completion of the program by the students;

(f) expel students from the program; and to

(g) decide on any urgent matters.

Part II - Admission

Article 3 Admission criteria

[1]Candidates holding a university master of laws degree or a degree deemed equivalent shall be eligible for admission.

[2]The Board of Directors may authorize any person to attend one or several modules and shall determine the conditions thereof. The attendees shall be provided with a certificate of attendance.

Article 4 Registration and fees

[1]The LLM students shall be registered with the University of Fribourg.

[2]The tuition fees shall be calculated for the entire academic year and shall be paid according to a payment schedule approved by the Board of Directors.

Part III - Program of studies

Article 5 Program of studies

[1]The program of studies shall be organized in modules. It shall comprise a minimum of 60 ECTS credits, as follows:

(a) for the Master of Laws (LLM) in Cross-Cultural Business Practice with a specialization in International Contracts & Arbitration:
- 50 (fifty) ECTS credits for mandatory modules in international contracts and arbitration (1 to 6 ECTS credits for each module); and
- 10 (ten) ECTS credits for the final research paper; or
- 2 (two) ECTS credits for the abridged final research paper and 8 (eight) ECTS credits for a professional practice (“internship”).

(b) for the Master of Laws (LLM) in Cross-Cultural Business Practice with a specialization in International Business Law:
- 50 (fifty) ECTS credits for mandatory modules in international business law (1 to 6 ECTS credits for each module); and
- 10 (ten) ECTS credits for the final research paper; or
- 2 (two) ECTS credits for the abridged final research paper and 8 (eight) ECTS credits for an internship.

(c) for the Master of Laws (LLM) in Cross-Cultural Business Practice with a specialization in Compliance:
- 50 (fifty) ECTS credits for mandatory modules in compliance (1 to 6 ECTS credits for each module); and
- 10 (ten) ECTS credits for the final research paper; or
- 2 (two) ECTS credits for the abridged final research paper and 8 (eight) ECTS credits for an internship.

1 (one) ECTS credit is the equivalent of 25-30 hours of work by the students.

[2] A student conducting an internship may submit an abridged final research paper if:

(a) an internship agreement is entered into by the Institute, the host professional organization and the student; and

(b) the internship amounts to at least 6 weeks full-time work or part-time equivalent.

The Board of Directors provides for the internship validation requirements notably with respect to the student's supervision and evaluation.

Article 6 Language of instruction

The language of instruction, as well as the language of all written work, is English.

Part IV – Final research paper

Article 7 Final research paper

[1]The students must submit a final research paper on a topic related to one of the modules they attended. The research shall be conducted under the supervision of the lecturer responsible for teaching the content of that module, or any substitute agreed by the Board of Directors.

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[2]The final paper shall be an original piece of scientific research. The Board of Directors shall, considering the assessment of the lecturer supervising the work, validate the grade.

[3]The final paper shall be submitted no later than 6(six) months after the last examination.

Part V - Examinations

Article 8 Assessment

[1]The assessment of a student's academic performance is based on written or oral examinations.

[2]The examination takes place at least once every academic year. The dates of the examination will take place are communicated at least three months in advance.

[3]The examinations last a minimum of 30 (thirty) minutes and a maximum of 4 (four) hours.

[4]Students are authorized to sit in an examination if they attended more than 80% of the total hours of instruction in the respective module.

[5]The examination committee validates the examination results.

Article 9 Failure

[1]The student who failed an examination is entitled to take the examination again.

[2] A student completes successfully the LLM Program when he or she attains on average a grade of 4 (four).

Part VI - The diploma

Article 10 The diploma

[1]The Master of Laws (LLM) in Cross-Cultural Business Practice diploma certifies the successful completion of the LLM Program.

[2]The diploma specifies the title conferred as well as the specialization and shall be signed by the Rector of the University and the Dean of the Law Faculty.

VII - Final provisions

Article 11 Appeals

The Board of Directors' decisions shall be subject to appeal to the Law Faculty Appeals Commission pursuant to Articles 33 and 34 of the Statute of the Faculty of Law of the University of Fribourg of June 20, 2001.

Article 12 Default Regulation

Unless otherwise provided in this regulation, the provisions governing the Master of Law at the Fribourg University Law Faculty shall apply accordingly.

Article 13 Entry into force and abrogation

[1]This regulation enters into force upon its approval by the Rectorate of the University of Fribourg.

[2]It applies to all students enrolled after the date of entry into force of the regulation, as well as to students already enrolled at that date, unless he or she expresses in writing within thirty days after entry into force his or her wish to remain governed by the former regulation until the end of his or her studies.

[3]Abrogation of the former "Regulation governing the Program of Studies and Examinations within the Framework of the Master of Laws in Cross-Cultural Business Practice (the "MLCBP") at the Universities of Fribourg, Bern and Neuchâtel" in its version of 2009, approved by the Rectorate on 25 August 2009 and in its renewed version adopted by the Board of Directors on 31 December 2010 will take place when no student is governed by them any longer.

Approved by the Rectorate on January 11, 2016.