



Study Plan LL.M. Educational Program with Durham University

Important Rules

- This study plan is designed for students taking part in the mentioned LL.M. Educational Program and spending the academic year 2025-2026 at Durham University. The list of courses to be taken abroad may be subject to changes should the academic offer at Durham be amended.
- Interested students are required to read and understand this study plan and its rules. These are to be considered binding to the successful completion of the LL.M. Educational Program. Changes to the study plan are usually not possible and any request in this sense must be conveyed to the International Development Office and the academic coordinator.
- During the mobility, students will be subject to the rules of the partner university.
- At the end of the program, if compliant with both Luiss and Durham University academic requirements, students will obtain both the LL.M. Degree (issued by Durham University) and the Single Cycle Master's Degree in Law (issued by Luiss).

Study Plan

LL.M. at Durham is 180 UK credits/ 90 ECTS (60 ECTS taught courses¹ and 30 ECTS for the dissertation).

During the V year, students will study at Durham University in one of the following LL.M.:

- **LL.M. in International Trade and Commercial Law** open to students majoring in Diritto Internazionale, European Law, Law and Innovation, Diritto Societario e Tributario, Diritto ed Economia delle Imprese
- **LL.M. in International Law and Governance** open to students majoring in Diritto Internazionale
- **LL.M. in European Trade and Commercial Law** open to students majoring in Diritto Internazionale, European Law, Diritto Societario e Tributario, Diritto ed Economia delle Imprese, Diritto Amministrativo
- **LL.M. in Corporate Law** open to students majoring in European Law, Diritto Societario e Tributario, Diritto ed Economia delle Imprese, Diritto Civile
- **LL.M. in International Shipping Law** open to students majoring in Diritto civile, Diritto ed economia delle imprese, Diritto Societario e Tributario

¹ Each course is 15 ECTS.



For more information, please visit this website: <https://www.dur.ac.uk/law/postgraduate/llm/>

Thesis and Graduation

- Students will complete the thesis for Durham following the Partner University deadlines, during the mobility period.
- Students will identify a Luiss supervisor and will need to follow the regular [Luiss procedure and deadlines](#) for the graduation at Luiss.
- Once returned to Luiss, they will defend the Master thesis at Luiss in July, in October / November (depending on the availability of transcript of records), or March/April.

Grade Conversion and Conversion Table

The academic activities recognized by the partner university will be transferred according to a Block Transfer Recognition.

During the V year the student will follow courses and take exams at the Partner University, in order to receive the LL.M. Degree. Upon his/her return, all the courses reported on the "Transcript of Records" issued by the foreign university will be recognized on the Luiss student's career through a Block Transfer Recognition, which will automatically recognize all the courses of the Luiss profile chosen (IV year II semester and V year I and II semester).

Grades will be transferred based on the calculation of the weighted average of the LL.M. grades. The weighted average grade of the courses taken abroad is converted following the grade conversion table (see below). Please note that the LL.M. thesis grade is excluded from the calculation. Grades will not be rounded up under any circumstance.

Luiss	UK	Definition
30 e lode	70% +	Excellent
30	69% - 65%	
29	64% - 60%	Very good
28	59% - 55%	Good
27	54% - 50%	
26 - 24	49% - 45%	Satisfactory
23 - 18	44% - 40%	Pass
< 18	< 40%	Fail

While every effort will be made to provide students with complete, accurate and timely information, Luiss reserves the right to change, amend, modify or revoke the aforementioned program. Luiss is not responsible for any cancellation or modification due to events beyond its control. If the program is cancelled or modified for these reasons, Luiss will inform all interested students in a timely manner.