



Call for Application for two Adjunct Lecturers

International Company Law and International Finance Law

LL.M. in International Business Law University of Brussels (Université Libre de Bruxelles – ULB)

Deadline : 23 September 2024

Appointment Description

The LL.M. in International Business Law of the University of Brussels (*Université Libre de Bruxelles*, ULB) is hiring two Adjunct Lecturer from Fall 2024.

The LL.M. is a full-time 60 ECTS advanced post graduate program based in Brussels and is taught entirely in English. It caters to motivated students from around the world. The philosophy of the LL.M. is to offer a rigorous, coherent and comprehensive program that covers all of the core subjects of international business law, with a strong emphasis on practical experience. The LL.M. welcomes approximately 30-40 students from at least 4 continents each year and is taught in small interactive groups. The details of the program can be found on <u>www.brusselsllm.com</u>.

We are currently looking to fill <u>two vacancies</u> for Adjunct Lecturers. We are seeing an Adjunct Lecturer to teach Company Law, as part of the course International Company Law – International Taxation. The course is taught as two separate modules with Professor Caroline Docclo covering the part of the course focused on International Taxation. We are also seeking an Adjunct Lecturer to teach Finance Law, as part of the course International Banking and Finance Law. The course is co-taught by Professor Jean-Paul Servais who covers the part of the course focused on Banking Law. For both courses, the appointed lecturers will have significant autonomy to develop the specific course curriculum.

<u>For Company Law</u>, the objective is to provide students with an in-depth understanding of key topics of international company law. The course focuses on the different approaches across jurisdictions to certain basic corporate concepts and on the corporate principles that apply to multi-national corporate groups and to cross-border mobility of corporations. Examples of key topics include: **legal personality** (recognition, denial, ...), **the case for or against legal capital** (illustrated by a comparison of European and US rules), **cross-border conversions, mergers and divisions and regulatory competition**. The course may examine how minority shareholders, creditors and employees are protected, the usefulness of European legal forms (such as the Societas Europaea) and whether a bottom-up approach is an acceptable or desirable substitute to top-down harmonization in Europe.

<u>For Finance Law</u>, the course focuses on international and European law sources such as the Prospectus Regulation, the UNIDROIT Ottawa Convention on International Factoring, the EU Insolvency Regulation (recast) and the Rome I Regulation. The course aims to provide students with tools to form solid legal reasoning in a highly regulated environment and with insight into the practice of International Finance Law. Examples of main topics include International Financings (International loans and international bonds issues, choice of sharia as applicable law, set-off, sovereign bond issues); Regulation of International Finance (public offer and Prospectus Regulation); Assignment of Claims (International Factoring); Cross-border Insolvency Proceedings and Collaterals (Cross-border insolvency proceedings, validity and enforceability of collaterals in a cross-border environment). The course is an interactive seminar in which students exchange their views and experience, analyze case law and contract clauses and draft documents such as legal opinions.

Candidates will preferably hold a Ph.D. in law and demonstrate outstanding teaching ability and specific competence in the relevant fields through professional experience and publications.

Both positions involve the teaching of 18 hours of class time (six classes of three hours) and supervision of LL.M. theses due in May. Classes meet weekly for 12 weeks from 15-18h at the ULB from February through May. Thesis supervision is ongoing throughout the academic year but requires more attention in the second term. The position does not involve a contract of employment with the University, rather academic work is carried out on an independent basis under terms to be agreed.

Interested candidates should send a cover letter and academic curriculum vitae by 23 September 2024 to the LL.M. Academic Coordinator and Program Administrator at the following email address: <u>brusselsllm@ulb.be</u>.