

BACHELOR OF LAW

Main Language of Instruction:

French English Arabic

Campus Where The Program Is Offered: Dubai International Academic City, Block 11, Ground Floor

OBJECTIVES

This program aims to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of UAE law and prepare them for various legal career paths.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES (COMPETENCIES)

This program equips students with the ability to analyze and understand legal texts and cases accurately, develop research skills, draft and write legal documents clearly, and enhance their critical thinking and evaluation of legal arguments.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must:

- Hold a high school diploma from the United Arab Emirates or its equivalent, certified by the UAE Ministry of Education, with a minimum grade of 70% for the Elite Stream, 75% for the Advanced Stream, and 80% for the General Stream.
- Demonstrate proficiency in languages and mathematics by:
 - Achieving a minimum score of 600 in Mathematics and 900 in English on the EmSAT.
 - Passing the entrance exams in Arabic, English, or Mathematics organized by the School of Law.
 - Meeting the minimum required grades in courses related to the program in their high school diploma or equivalent.
- Successfully pass the personal interview conducted by the School of Law.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

240 credits: Required courses (222 credits), Elective courses (18 credits)

Required courses (222 Cr.)

In Arabic (172 Cr.)

Introduction to the Study of Law and Civil Law 1: Theory of Law (6 Cr.). Constitutional Law 1: General Principles and the State (6 Cr.). Comparative Law: Anglo-Saxon and Latin Systems (4 Cr.). History of Legal and Social Systems (4 Cr.). Society of the United Arab Emirates (3 Cr.). Introduction to the Study of Law and Civil Law 2: Theory of Rights (6 Cr.). Constitutional Law 2: Political Systems (6 Cr.). Legal Methodology (2 Cr.). Introduction to Islamic Jurisprudence (4 Cr.). Civil Law 3: General Theory of Obligations and Contracts: Voluntary Sources of Obligation (6 Cr.). Civil Law 3-B: General Theory of Obligations and Contracts: Involuntary Sources of Obligation (3 Cr.). General Criminal Law (4 Cr.). Personal Status in Islamic Law: Marriage and Divorce (3 Cr.). Civil Procedure Law (6 Cr.). Law and Modern Technology (3 Cr.). Intellectual Property Law (3 Cr.). International Relations Law (4 Cr.). Civil Law 4: General Theory of Obligations and Contracts: Provisions of Obligations (6 Cr.). Administrative Law (6 Cr.). Practical Training 1 (4 Cr.). Commercial Law 1: General Principles, Commercial Establishment, Merchant, Unfair Competition, and Commercial Contracts (4 Cr.). Labor and Social Security Laws (4 Cr.). Nationality Law (3 Cr.). Civil Law 5: Named Contracts (6 Cr.). Enforcement Procedures Laws (4 Cr.). Arbitration Laws: Domestic and International (3 Cr.). Special Criminal Law (6 Cr.). Civil Law 6: Real Rights (6 Cr.). Commercial Law 2: Commercial Companies (6 Cr.). Public International Law (4 Cr.). Civil Law 7: Real and Personal Guarantees (5 Cr.). Commercial Law 3: Bankruptcy, Protective Settlement, and Commercial Papers (4 Cr.). Private International Law (5 Cr.). Principles of Jurisprudence (4 Cr.). Inheritance and Wills (3 Cr.). Criminal Procedure Law (6 Cr.). Public Finance and Tax Legislation (6 Cr.). Thesis (5 Cr.).

In English (37 Cr.)

Principles of Economics (6 Cr.). Common Law: Contracts in the Common Law System (3 Cr.). Introduction to Translation (3 Cr.). Legal Terminology (1) (3 Cr.). Internship – 2 (4 Cr.). Common Law: Business Organizations and Corporate Governance (3 Cr.). Legal Terminology (2) (3 Cr.). Start-up and Entrepreneurship Legal Framework and Legal Drafting (3 Cr.). Common Law: Real Estate Laws (2 Cr.). Commercial Law (4): Introduction to Banking and Financial Law (4 Cr.). Laws of the DIFC (3 Cr.).

Languages (13 Cr.)

Arabic Language (5 Cr.). French Language (3 Cr.). English Language (5 Cr.).

Elective courses (18 Cr.)

In Arabic: Introduction to Arab Legislation (3 Cr.). Criminology and Penology (3 Cr.). Philosophy of Law (3 Cr.). Consumer Protection Law (3 Cr.). Environmental Protection Law (3 Cr.). Legal Sociology (3 Cr.). Maritime and Aviation Law (3 Cr.). Investment and Free Zones Laws (3 Cr.). European Law (3 Cr.). International Economic Law (3 Cr.). Special Criminal Legislation (3 Cr.). International Economic Relations (3 Cr.). Public Service Law (3 Cr.). **In English:** Money Banking and Financial Market (3 Cr.). International Commercial Contracts (3 Cr.). Human Rights in International Law and Islam (3 Cr.). High Impact Communication and Executive Presence (3 Cr.).

SUGGESTED STUDY PLAN**Semester 1**

Code	Course Name	Credits
2121101L1	Introduction to the Study of Law and Civil Law 1: Theory of Law	6
2121303L1	Constitutional Law 1: General Principles and the State	6
2121502L2	Comparative Law: Anglo-Saxon and Latin Systems	4
2121602L1	History of Legal and Social Systems	4
2122530L1	Principles of Economics	6
2122509L6	Society of the United Arab Emirates	3
Total		29

Semester 2

Code	Course Name	Credits
2121102L2	Introduction to the Study of Law and Civil Law 2: Theory of Rights	6
2121304L2	Constitutional Law 2: Political Systems	6
2122401L1	Legal Methodology	2
2121404L2	Introduction to Islamic Jurisprudence	4
2122601L8	Arabic Language	5
	Elective course	3
Total		26

Semester 3

Code	Course Name	Credits
2121103L3	Civil Law 3: General Theory of Obligations and Contracts: Voluntary Sources of Obligation	6
2121104L3	Civil Law 3-B: General Theory of Obligations and Contracts: Involuntary Sources of Obligation	3
2121602L3	General Criminal Law	4

2122202L3	Personal Status in Islamic Law: Marriage and Divorce	3
2121202L3	Civil Procedure Law	6
2122505L3	Law and Modern Technology	3
2122519L4	Intellectual Property Law	3
	Elective course	3
	Total	31

Semester 4

Code	Course Name	Credits
2121501L1	International Relations Law	4
2121104L4	Civil Law 4: General Theory of Obligations and Contracts: Provisions of Obligations	6
2121702L4	Administrative Law	6
2121516L4	Common Law: Contracts in the Common Law System	3
2122709L2	Practical Training 1	4
2122517L4	Introduction to Translation	3
2122405L4	Legal Terminology (1)	3
	Elective Course	3
	Total	32

Semester 5

Code	Course Name	Credits
2121809L5	Commercial Law 1: General Principles, Commercial Establishment, Merchant, Unfair Competition, and Commercial Contracts	4
2121901L5	Labor and Social Security Laws	4
2121514L6	Nationality Law	3
2121107L5	Civil Law 5: Named Contracts	6
2121204L5	Enforcement Procedures Laws	4
2122001L5	Arbitration Laws: Domestic and International	3
2122710L5	Internship – 2	4
2122603L8	French Language	3
	Total	31

Semester 6

Code	Course Name	Credits
2121113L6	Civil Law 6: Real Rights	5
2121604L6	Special Criminal Law	6
2121802L6	Commercial Law 2: Commercial Companies	6
2121511L6	Common Law: Business Organizations and Corporate Governance	3
2122406L6	Legal Terminology (2)	3
2121502L3	Public International Law	4
	Elective Course	3
	Total	30

Semester 7

Code	Course Name	Credits
2121108L7	Civil Law 7: Real and Personal Guarantees	5
2121811L7	Commercial Law 3: Bankruptcy, Protective Settlement, and Commercial Papers	4
2121513L8	Private International Law	5
2121407L7	Principles of Jurisprudence	4
2121110L7	Inheritance and Wills	3
2122802L7	Start-up and Entrepreneurship legal framework and legal drafting	3
2122602L8	English Language	5
	Elective Course	3
	Total	32

Semester 8

Code	Course Name	Credits
2121203L8	Criminal Procedure Law	6
2122104L8	Public Finance and Tax Legislation	6
2121515L8	Common Law: Real Estate Laws	2
2121810L8	Commercial Law (4): Introduction to Banking and Financial Law	4
2122520L8	Laws of the DIFC	3
2122515L8	Thesis	5
	Elective Course	3
	Total	29

COURSE DESCRIPTION

First Year

2121101L1	Introduction to the Study of Law and Civil Law 1: Theory of Law	6 Cr.
This course provides a theoretical study of law, beginning with an introduction to law as a social necessity, its functions, and its relationship to other sciences. It then defines law and distinguishes it from related terms, explores its scope, the elements of legal rules, and their characteristics, and differentiates legal rules from other social norms. The course also covers the classifications of legal rules, sources of legal rules, their interpretation and drafting, and the scope of their application in terms of persons, location, and time.		
2121303L1	Constitutional Law 1: General Principles and the State	6 Cr.
This course covers the general principles of constitutional law, including the definition of constitutional law, sources of constitutional rules, the creation and amendment of constitutions, the principle of the supremacy of the constitution, and the judicial review of the constitutionality of laws. The course also examines the elements and forms of constitutions.		
2121602L1	History of Legal and Social Systems	4 Cr.
This course uses history not as a standalone subject, but as a tool to study the formation of the earliest legal systems in the world, influenced by prevailing social factors. It traces the development of the first legal families known today, with a particular focus on the development of the UAE's civil law.		

2122401L1	Legal Methodology	2 Cr.
This course covers the scientific and technical methods of researching traditional and electronic sources, as well as the process of preparing legal research and dissertations. It also explains how to analyze and comment on judicial decisions.		
2121102L2	Introduction to the Study of Law and Civil Law 2: Theory of Rights	6 Cr.
This course covers the concept of rights and the various doctrines that address them, the sources of rights, the elements of rights, such as natural persons and legal persons, the subject of rights, including things and property and their classifications, and types of rights, including political and non-political, public and private, personal and real. The course also covers the use, protection, and proof of rights.		
2121304L2	Constitutional Law 2: Political Systems	6 Cr.
This course covers the main forms of governance systems, focusing first on the principle of the separation of powers. It then reviews the parliamentary system, the presidential system, and the council system, along with an exploration of mixed systems. This course also addresses the political system of the United Arab Emirates.		
2121404L2	Introduction to Islamic Jurisprudence	4 Cr.
This course includes two sections: Introduction to the Study of Islamic Sharia: defining Islamic Sharia, outlining its divisions, and explaining its relationship with positive laws. The need for societies to have legal codes and laws. The general principles of Islamic legislation. The origins and development of Islamic jurisprudence. The different schools of Islamic jurisprudence. General Theories in Islamic Jurisprudence: Property, rights, and benefits. Ownership. Contract theory. General legal principles in Islamic law. Judicial processes in Islam. The concept of hisba (public accountability) in Islam. Punishment in Islamic jurisprudence.		
2121502L2	Comparative Law: Anglo-Saxon Systems	2 Cr.
This course, along with the course “Comparative Law: Study of Latin Systems,” forms a single course titled “Comparative Law: Study of Anglo-Saxon Systems and Latin Systems,” Code 212 1502 L2, 4 credits. This course provides students with a general overview of the legal systems practiced in Anglo-Saxon countries and Commonwealth nations, which were or still are colonies under the British crown, where the English legal system prevails. The course also familiarizes students with litigation procedures under this legal system, the methods of proof used, the standards followed in civil and criminal cases, the concept of the jury, and other related concepts.		
2121502L2	Comparative Law: Latin Systems	2 Cr.
This course, along with the course “Comparative Law: Study of Anglo-Saxon Systems,” forms a single course titled “Comparative Law: Study of Anglo-Saxon and Latin Systems,” Code 212 1502 L2, 4 credits. This course revolves around the study of comparative law by examining most of the legal systems in the world and the differences that distinguish them. However, this course specifically addresses the Romano-Germanic legal system, especially its historical formation, structure, and sources of law. Students will gain a deeper understanding of national law and its connection to the values and structures of societies, as reflected through their legal systems. The study of comparative law further enables students to critically assess national legal frameworks, drawing on the solutions and approaches adopted by other legal systems to inform and enhance the development of domestic law.		
2122530L1	Principles of Economics	6 Cr.
This course introduces students to economics, economic systems, and the history of economic thought by exploring key concepts and tools that economists use to develop their theories. These theories offer insight into the role of governments and markets in the economy, helping students understand market mechanisms and economic policy tools. This course also includes an in-depth study of macroeconomic principles and the principles of microeconomics, which serve as the foundation for economic analysis. It aims to equip students with the ability to analyze supply and demand components, understand price determination in competitive markets, and assess the effects of government intervention on market equilibrium.		

2122509L6**Society of the United Arab Emirates****3 Cr.**

This course covers the general characteristics and key components of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) society, including an introduction to the country's location, borders, area, terrain, and the historical development of the state. It examines the population, its growth, demographic structure, and characteristics. The course also explores the economic and social aspects, focusing on the development and growth witnessed by the country. It provides an overview of the family and tribal systems, the nature of governance, and the distinct characteristics of each emirate. Additionally, it covers the services provided to society before and after the discovery of oil, and introduces civil society institutions in cultural, social, and media fields. The course also addresses certain social phenomena, their consequences, and proposed solutions. Students will enhance their speaking, writing, and analytical reading skills.

Second Year**2121103L3****Civil Law 3: General Theory of Obligations and Contracts:
Voluntary Sources of Obligation****3 Cr.**

This course covers the definition of legal obligations and distinguishes them from ethical and religious obligations. It also explores the elements of an obligation, its sources—namely, the contract (its definition, elements, effects, and causes of dissolution) and unilateral acts (general provisions and their applications).

2121104L3**Civil Law 3-B: General Theory of Obligations and Contracts:
Involuntary Sources of Obligation****3 Cr.**

This course covers the involuntary sources of obligations, including: harmful acts, beneficial acts, and the law. It examines their definitions, the conditions for the emergence of tort liability, and the elements of such liability.

2121501L1**International Relations Law****4 Cr.**

This course aims to provide students with a general understanding of international relations, including their definition, historical development, and sources. It also covers their characteristics in Islamic law, as well as the study of regional, specialized, and international organizations.

2121202L3**Civil Procedure Law****6 Cr.**

This course covers the concept of civil procedure law, its importance, characteristics, and sources. It includes the theory of lawsuits, the conditions for their acceptance, defenses, and reasons for defense on the merits, as well as the classification and types of lawsuits. The course also addresses judicial organization, rules of jurisdiction, evidence, litigation procedures (both traditional and electronic), judgments, and appeal methods.

2121602L3**General Criminal Law****4 Cr.**

This course studies the general principles of crime and criminal penalties, including the following topics: the principle of legality; the application of criminal law in terms of time, place, and persons; the general characteristics of crime, its classification, and its material and mental elements; complete crimes, attempted crimes, and criminal participation; justifications for criminal acts and the grounds for excluding criminal liability. The course then addresses the general principles of punishment, including its nature, types, application, and termination, as well as the nature, characteristics, and forms of precautionary measures and their regulations.

2122202L3**Personal Status in Islamic Law: Marriage and Divorce****3 Cr.**

This course covers the family and its status in Islam, followed by a discussion on the marriage contract, its elements, and the rights associated with it. It also explores divorce, its conditions, legitimacy, and types; khula (divorce initiated by the wife) and judicial separation. Additionally, the course addresses the consequences of divorce between spouses.

2121104L4**Civil Law 4: General Theory of Obligations and Contracts: Provisions of Obligations 6 Cr.**

Students will explore the sources of obligations and their effects by examining the methods of fulfilling obligations (whether in kind or by compensation, compulsory or voluntary). They will also learn about the legal measures to protect these fulfillments, such as indirect actions, fictitious actions, and the right to retain property. The course continues with a focus on modified effects of obligations, including conditions, deadlines, and the multiplicity of the object and parties of the obligation. Students will also study the transfer of obligations and conclude with the termination of obligations, covering fulfillment, substitutes for fulfillment, and cases where obligations are not fulfilled. This course is based on the civil law of the United Arab Emirates.

2121702L4**Administrative Law****6 Cr.**

This course covers administrative law, including its definition and characteristics, the activities of the administration (public services and administrative control), as well as the legal actions of the administration, such as administrative contracts and administrative decisions. Students will study UAE administrative law with a comparative approach, particularly focusing on French law, where administrative law originally emerged and developed.

2121511L6**Common Law: Contracts in the Common Law System****3 Cr.**

This course offers an in-depth exploration of contract law within the Common Law system. It examines the application of Common Law through the study of selected cases from Britain, Australia, and the United States, while also introducing students to the core principles of legal analysis underpinning these jurisdictions.

2122709L2**Practical Training 1****4 Cr.**

This course provides students with practical training in the essential tasks performed by legal professionals. They will learn how to research legal rules applicable to real-world issues, as well as how to express legal arguments both in writing and orally. Students will gain experience in drafting various legal documents such as pleadings, defense memoranda, and contracts, as well as practicing oral advocacy. The course also covers negotiation skills, including mediation and reconciliation, while instilling the ethical values that legal professionals must adhere to in their practice.

2122505L3**Law and Modern Technology****3 Cr.**

This course focuses on Federal Law No. 46 of 2021 regarding electronic transactions and trust services, with particular attention to the recent technological advancements such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), Blockchain technology, Bitcoins, Cryptocurrencies, and the Internet of Things (IoT), and their impact on existing laws and regulations in the country. It includes workshops aimed at developing legal regulations in this field, with an emphasis on the technological evolution related to information technology, enabling students to understand this development and its effects on current laws.

The course includes lessons on civil transactions, information technology tools, and e-commerce in the context of rapid technological advancement. Specifically, it focuses on the processes of buying and selling information, goods, and services, the electronic data interchange system, and particularly the admissibility of electronic messages as evidence. It explains how electronic contracts are formed through electronic transactions and addresses the validity of such contracts. The course also covers automated electronic transactions, acknowledgment, and receipt, particularly regarding the time and place of sending and receiving electronic messages that result in the formation of contracts. Furthermore, it provides detailed discussions on protected electronic records, electronic signatures, their types, the importance of relying on them, certification authorities, and trust services. It also includes the acceptance and admissibility of electronic evidence, trustworthy electronic signatures and services, the obligations of certified trust service providers, international trust services, and the civil liability of trust service providers.

2122517L4**Introduction to Translation****3 Cr.**

This course introduces students to the fundamentals of translation, focusing on translating between English and Arabic in both directions. It explores different translation techniques and strategies, helping students enhance their ability to understand and express ideas in English. The course covers a variety of topics, including human rights, UN organizations, and government-related subjects. Divided into two 15-hour sections, the course equips students with practical skills in translating texts effectively between the two languages.

2122405L4	Legal Terminology (1)	3 Cr.
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This course covers the definition of key legal terms and concepts in both Arabic and English, with a focus on areas such as obligations law, constitutional law, real estate law, jurisprudence, and Islamic law. It emphasizes the methodology of legal translation.

2122519L4	Intellectual Property Law	3 Cr.
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This course provides theoretical lectures on intellectual property aimed at equipping students with the fundamental legal concepts that govern intellectual property rights in general, and more specifically, literary and artistic rights, trademarks, patents, industrial designs, and models.

The course primarily focuses on the core principles of intellectual property rights, helping students understand:

- The importance of intellectual property in fostering innovation and its role in economic and social development, as well as in facilitating global trade through multilateral treaties;
- The scope of protection offered by intellectual property laws;
- The treaties that regulate intellectual property;
- The services provided by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) to assist in acquiring, managing, and protecting intellectual property rights internationally.

Third Year

2121107L5	Civil Law 5: Named Contracts	6 Cr.
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This course covers the study of named contracts in the Federal Civil Transactions Law, focusing on the three most common contracts: sale, lease, and contracting. The course includes the definition of each contract, highlights its characteristics, and distinguishes it from other types of contracts. It then explores the elements of the contract, such as consent and subject matter, along with the specific rules governing each type. The course concludes with an in-depth study of the effects of contracts, examining the obligations of both parties in each contract.

2121809L5	Commercial Law 1: General Principles, Commercial Establishment, Merchant, Unfair Competition, and Commercial Contracts	4 Cr.
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This course aims to study the principles of commercial law, commercial transactions, and the legal framework for merchants, including commercial registers, commercial institutions, and unfair competition. It also focuses on the study of commercial contracts, particularly the commercial agency contract, brokerage contract, and commission agency contract.

2121514L6	Nationality Law	3 Cr.
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This course focuses on the study of UAE nationality, including the general principles of nationality and the UAE Nationality Law. It covers topics such as acquiring nationality, losing nationality, conflicts of nationality (dual nationality), the administrative organization of nationality issues, and the judicial jurisdiction over related disputes. It also includes the study of the status of foreigners in the UAE.

2121204L5	Enforcement Procedures Laws	4 Cr.
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This course covers the rules of forced execution, including the definition of the execution judge, his jurisdiction, and the executive order and its conditions. It examines the various types of attachments, both precautionary and enforcement, along with the procedures for the forced sale of movable and immovable property. Additionally, it addresses the decisions made by the execution judge, such as travel bans and imprisonment of the debtor.

2121901L5	Labor and Social Security Laws	4 Cr.
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This course is divided into two sections: The first section focuses on labor law, covering employment contracts, the rights and obligations of both employees and employers, collective agreements, the termination of employment contracts, and the calculation of end-of-service benefits. It also includes real-life cases and practical issues, along with judgments from the Court of Cassation to address complex matters requiring thorough analysis. The second section briefly covers social security law, including its concept, system, and benefits.

2122001L5	Arbitration Laws: Domestic and International	3 Cr.
This course includes the study of both domestic and international arbitration law, covering the arbitration agreement, distinguishing between an arbitration clause and an arbitration submission, as well as the appointment of arbitrators, their eligibility, duties, and responsibilities. It examines the scope of the arbitrator's jurisdiction, their neutrality and independence, and the means for their removal or challenge. The course also explores the arbitration process, its duration, procedures, and the applicable procedural and substantive rules. Finally, it covers arbitration awards, their definition, conditions for enforcement, and the grounds for appeal.		
2121802L6	Commercial Law 2: Commercial Companies	6 Cr.
This course aims to study commercial companies, including their general principles, types, operations, dissolution, and liquidation, as outlined in Federal Law No. 8 of March 20, 1984, on Commercial Companies, along with all its amendments, particularly Federal Law No. 2 of 2015 concerning commercial companies.		
2121113L6	Civil Law 6: Real Rights	5 Cr.
This course focuses primarily on defining real estate (both in terms of its natural and legal types), the regulations governing real property ownership, and its functions for the owner (including the characteristics and elements of property ownership), as well as for neighboring properties (owner's liability to neighbors based on the theory of fault in both the general and abuse-of-right sense, and liability for significant damage). The course also covers the concept of property ownership from the perspective of its holder, including joint ownership (family property, common ownership, shared walls, easement rights, and joint property). Additionally, the course examines rights derived from ownership, such as usufruct, usage, habitation rights, and easement rights.		
2121604L6	Special Criminal Law	6 Cr.
This course covers the detailed provisions of certain crimes according to Federal Penal Law No. 3 of 1987. The course is divided into two parts: the first examines crimes that constitute offenses against individuals, such as murder and intentional or unintentional bodily harm. The second focuses on crimes related to property, including theft and its accessories, breach of trust, and fraud. The course addresses the elements of each crime, the prescribed penalties, aggravating and mitigating circumstances, and any justifications for the crime, if applicable.		
2121511L6	Common Law: Business Organizations and Corporate Governance	3 Cr.
This course provides a foundational understanding of company law within the common law system, focusing primarily on UK law. It also covers corporate governance principles, exploring the relationships between a company's management, its board of directors, shareholders, and other stakeholders.		
2121502L3	Public International Law	4 Cr.
This course provides students with a comprehensive understanding of the formation of public international law, its application within domestic legal systems, and its implementation at the international level. It also covers the rules and objectives of international law, the regulation of the use of force, and the organization of trade and development.		
2122710L5	Internship 2	4 Cr.
This course includes several weeks of internship (in combination with Internship 1, totaling a minimum of 16 weeks), following a special program approved for each student, with close supervision from the professor in charge. The aim of Internship 2 is to train students in institutions relevant to the practical application of laws, enhancing their theoretical knowledge through hands-on experiences. This includes gaining an understanding of work processes in judicial institutions such as public prosecutions and courts, as well as taking on roles in various settings, including law firms and private companies.		

2122406L6	Legal Terminology 2	4 Cr.
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This course includes the definition of some legal terms and concepts in both Arabic and English, particularly in the areas of commercial law, real estate law, labor law, and arbitration law. It also focuses on the methodology of legal translation.

Fourth Year

2121108L7	Civil Law 7: Real and Personal Guarantees	5 Cr.
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This course covers the study of personal and real security contracts, including suretyship, collateral security, pledge, the contract of securing rights in movable property, and lien. It addresses the definition, effects, and termination of these contracts.

2121811L7	Commercial Law 3: Bankruptcy, Protective Settlement, and Commercial Papers	4 Cr.
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This course covers bankruptcy, preventive composition, and commercial papers: who is subject to bankruptcy? How is bankruptcy declared? How is the bankruptcy managed? It also includes the effects of bankruptcy and its conclusion, the conditions and procedures for preventive composition, and the process for rehabilitation. Additionally, this course explains the characteristics of commercial papers and their economic role, as well as the legal nature of the obligation of a bill of exchange. It also covers the legal framework for promissory notes, bills of exchange, and checks.

2121513L8	Private International Law	5 Cr.
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This course covers:

- a. The study of international conflict of laws, focusing on the technical structure of the rule for resolving international conflicts between laws and the legal framework for resolving such conflicts.
- b. The study of international civil procedures, which includes the conflict of international jurisdiction, procedures for international civil litigation, and the international effects of foreign judgments.

2121407L7	Principles of Jurisprudence	4 Cr.
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This course covers the concept of the science of principles of jurisprudence (Usul al-Fiqh), its subject matter, and its significance. It also addresses the theory of legal rulings, including the judge, the ruling (both prescriptive and situational), the subject of the ruling, and the application of the ruling. The course explores linguistic indications, including clear and unclear expressions, general and specific terms, as well as the types of expressions such as commands, prohibitions, unconditional and conditional terms, and common terms. Furthermore, it examines the types of expressions based on their meaning, including literal and figurative meanings, explicit and implicit meanings, and the types of indication, such as direct expression, allusion, implication, entailment, and the opposing inference.

2121203L8	Criminal Procedure Law	6 Cr.
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This course covers the applicability of criminal procedure law in terms of time and place, as well as the lawsuits arising from crimes. It includes the stages of a criminal case: the collection of evidence, preliminary investigation, and trial. The course also examines the methods of appealing criminal judgments, with a specific focus on opposition and appeal processes.

2122104L8	Public Finance and Tax Legislation	6 Cr.
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This course covers concepts of financial and tax legislation, public finance, and the tax system, providing a comparative historical overview. It also examines the modern Emirati legislation in both domestic and international contexts.

2121515L8	Common Law: Real Estate Laws	2 Cr.
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This course offers an advanced study of property law within the Common Law system. It delves into the application of Common Law by analyzing selected real estate cases from Britain, Australia, and America, while focusing on introducing students to the foundational legal analysis used in these jurisdictions.

2121110L7	Inheritance and Wills	3 Cr.
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This course covers the legal rulings related to wills, including their conditions, elements, types, validity requirements, and annulments. It also addresses inheritance issues, such as identifying the rightful heirs, their types and ranks, who takes precedence over others, their rights, and the methods of distributing the estate among the heirs.

2121810L8	Commercial Law 4: Introduction to Banking and Financial Law	4 Cr.
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This course provides a basic understanding of banking and financial laws. Students will gain insight into the legal and regulatory framework of banking and financial services, the scope of these services, and the market participants and authorities involved. The course includes an introduction to various banking and financial transactions, commercial lending, financial markets and securities, and financial crime. It concludes with an overview of fintech, the evolving landscape of banking and financial services, and the new regulatory and legal environment.

All topics are covered at an introductory level, preparing students who are interested in this field to pursue a postgraduate degree related to the various aspects of this course.

2122802L7	Start-up and Entrepreneurship Legal Framework and Legal Drafting	3 Cr.
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The course aims to familiarize students with the world of startups and the legal framework surrounding them. Key topics include:

- What is a startup?
- Terminology of the startup industry.
- Main startup types.
- Legal concerns and the needs of founders from the inception of a startup (even before its founding) to the subsequent investment rounds.
- How to draft of the basic documents needed from the founding of a startup through to the subsequent rounds of investment?

2122520L8	Laws of the DIFC	3 Cr.
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This course focuses on an advanced study of the Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC), covering its structure, the laws governing the DIFC, and the organization and jurisdiction of the DIFC Courts. It also includes the enforcement of decisions and arbitral awards at DIFC and onshore.

2121407L7	Thesis	5 Cr.
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This course as a prerequisite for obtaining a Bachelor of Law. Students will prepare their thesis during their fourth year of study in one of the three languages: Arabic, English, or French. They will select a topic from the field of law, which must be approved by the Vice Dean of the college, and then the School assigns an academic supervisor. The thesis must be submitted to the supervisor in four copies before the final exams of the seventh or eighth semester. Students will defend it before the supervisor and another professor specializing in the relevant field, whether private law or public law, depending on the topic.

Elective Courses

2122515L4	Introduction to Arab Legislation	3 Cr.
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This course begins with Chapter 1 which provides a historical overview of the legislation in Arab countries, focusing on key ancient Eastern legal codes, such as the Code of Hammurabi (Iraq), the Laws of Bokhoris (Egypt), Jewish law (Palestine), Roman law and its spread across the Levant, Christian thought and its influence, and Islamic law and its impact on the legal systems of Arab nations.

The first section of this chapter covers public law in Arab countries, including the study of constitutions, systems of government, and the roles and responsibilities of the three branches of government: legislative, executive, and judicial. It then delves into the basic features of administrative law in Arab countries, providing an overview of key administrative rulings within these nations.

The second section is dedicated to private law, starting with civil law, examining the Majalla of Ottoman Civil Code, the Hanbali code of legal rulings, and the legal system in Egypt. The course further explores the historical development of civil codes in Arab countries, including the legal age of majority, the hierarchy of legal sources, and the status of civil marriage.

The second chapter offers a historical look at the evolution of commercial law in Arab countries, identifying its characteristics in line with global trends, such as electronic commerce and corporate governance, as well as the unique features influenced by Islamic law and the adoption of French legal systems in several Arab countries.

Finally, the third chapter covers arbitration laws in Arab nations, explaining the concept of arbitration, its characteristics, and the historical development of arbitration laws across the Arab world. It includes a discussion of the Arab nations' ratification of the New York Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards, alongside key arbitration rulings within these countries.

2121603L2 Criminology and Penology**3 Cr.**

This course aims to study the scientific theories that address the criminal phenomenon by defining criminology, examining its subject matter and criminal behavior, identifying the branches of criminology, and delving into both internal and external factors contributing to crime. The course also prepares students for the study of penal law by covering topics such as types of punishment (preventive measures and alternative non-custodial measures), penal institutions, and methods of penal treatment.

2122518L4 Money Banking and Financial Markets**3 Cr.**

This course covers monetary theory, the history of banking, the economic functions of interest rates, and the interdependence between banking systems and foreign exchange transactions. It also explores financial intermediaries. The course analyzes financial markets, central banks, commercial banks, as well as the objectives and instruments of monetary policy.

2122509L4 Philosophy of Law**3 Cr.**

This course explores the philosophy of law, focusing on the fundamental principles and legal foundations that underpin societies and form widely accepted rules. It examines the objectives these rules seek to achieve, the connection between legal principles and other social sciences, and, ultimately, the pursuit of justice.

2122703L7 Consumer Protection Law**3 Cr.**

This course covers the historical development of consumer protection in comparative law, examining the legal nature and mechanisms of such protection. It includes a study of local laws, particularly Law No. 15 of 2020, which repealed Law No. 24 of 2006 on consumer protection. The course also compares laws aimed at safeguarding consumers, focusing on consumer information, protection from fraud and false advertising, product and service safety, and prohibited practices.

2122301L7 Environmental Protection Law**3 Cr.**

This course explores environmental law, focusing on its foundational principles, the rights it confers, and the mechanisms used to assess environmental damage. It delves into the legal protections for various environmental elements, tackling issues such as noise, radiation, and other forms of pollution. Additionally, the course examines the role of international treaties in safeguarding the environment and the legal frameworks they establish.

2121506L8 Maritime and Aviation Law**3 Cr.**

This course covers the following topics:

Maritime Navigation Rules: This includes studying the elements of maritime navigation, such as ships and their crew members, as well as contracts related to ships, including leasing, transportation, and carrier liability. It also covers regulations regarding general average losses and marine insurance.

Aviation Navigation Rules: This part focuses on the sources of regulations governing aviation, particularly international agreements, and the elements of air navigation, including the aircraft and its crew members. Additionally, it covers contracts related to aircraft, such as leasing, transportation, and carrier responsibility.

Space Sector Regulations: This part introduces the field of space law, outlining its defining characteristics and regulatory framework.

2121806L7	International Commercial Contracts	3 Cr.
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This course offers students a comprehensive understanding of international commercial contracts, including the criteria for qualification, types, and the parties involved. It also covers the process of concluding international commercial contracts, from negotiation to drafting. Additionally, the course examines the issue of choice of law in international commercial contracts.

2122706L8	Investment and Free Zones Laws	3 Cr.
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This course provides students with a comprehensive understanding of the international laws and treaties that regulate and protect international investment activities, along with practical examples to illustrate their application and the resolution of international investment disputes. The course also covers investment promotion and protection agreements, as well as investment laws and free zone regulations in the United Arab Emirates.

2121510L7	International Economic Law	3 Cr.
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This course delves into the concept of international economic relations, offering an overview of key theories and a historical perspective on their evolution. It examines trade, monetary, and financial relations, explores the challenges of globalization, and provides insights into the role of international institutions and the World Trade Organization.

2121509L8	European Law	3 Cr.
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This course explores the evolution of the European unity project, from its early beginnings to the Maastricht Treaty of February 1992 and subsequent developments, including challenges faced along the way, up to the Amsterdam Treaty of October 1997. It examines the institutions of the European Union and the legal framework they establish, identifying the sources of European law—both written and unwritten—and their interplay, as well as the relationship between EU law and national laws.

The course also covers judicial procedures within the EU designed to ensure compliance with its laws and principles, with a focus on the European Court of Justice and the European Court of Human Rights. Additionally, it addresses contemporary issues within the EU, including the procedural and legal implications of Brexit.

This course examines international economic law, a branch of public international law encompassing principles and legal frameworks applicable to global economic relations. It addresses the movement of people, investments, international trade in goods and services, and the financing of these activities.

The course is divided into two primary parts. The first focuses on the subjects of international economic law, particularly states and international institutions. It highlights the state's role in international economic activities within the scope of its sovereignty and explores the various types and functions of international organizations.

The second part delves into the legal framework governing international trade, emphasizing the principle of free trade and its exceptions. Particular focus is given to the role of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the substantive principles outlined in its provisions.

This course provides an in-depth study of specific and highly critical crimes, including human trafficking, drug-related offenses, money laundering, and cybercrimes. It also explores the interconnectedness of these crimes, examining the links between human trafficking and money laundering, the connection between drug-related crimes and money laundering, and the relationship between money laundering and terrorism-related activities.

2122711L8	Public Service Law	3 Cr.
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This course examines public employment, covering the requirements for entering public service, the rights and duties of public employees, employment statuses, disciplinary measures, and the termination of public service.

2122507L8	Human Rights in International Law and Islam	3 Cr.
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This course explores human rights through the lens of Islam and international legislation. It examines the international human rights framework, including the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and core international human rights treaties. Additionally, the course delves into the influence of religion on human rights, inviting students to identify shared values across different ideologies and critically question the universality of rights.

2122315L8	High Impact Communication and Executive Presence	3 Cr.
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This course empowers students to cultivate confidence, enhance their presence, and master influential skills for effectively engaging with stakeholders.

2122601L8	Arabic Language	5 Cr.
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This course, spanning three levels (A, B, C), features a series of progressively challenging exercises designed to achieve specific learning objectives. Each lesson starts with a brief text, followed by practical exercises, analysis, and synthesis, before moving on to expressive writing aimed at enhancing students' writing skills and correct expression. The course gradually covers nearly all aspects of language rules and expression techniques, ultimately helping students develop the ability to write cohesive and well-structured texts in Arabic.

2122602L8	English Language	5 Cr.
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This course is structured into three levels (C, B, & A), each designed to enhance mastery of English communication skills, both oral and written. The curriculum offers diverse materials and exercises aimed at refining linguistic and interpersonal abilities, essential for delivering informative and persuasive public speaking and academic writing in English.

2122603L8	French Language	3 Cr.
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This course aims to teach French through the development of the four key language skills: listening, reading, speaking, and writing. It offers a series of progressively challenging exercises that focus on various forms of expression, tailored to the beginner level, with the goal of building proficiency in both comprehension and communication.