



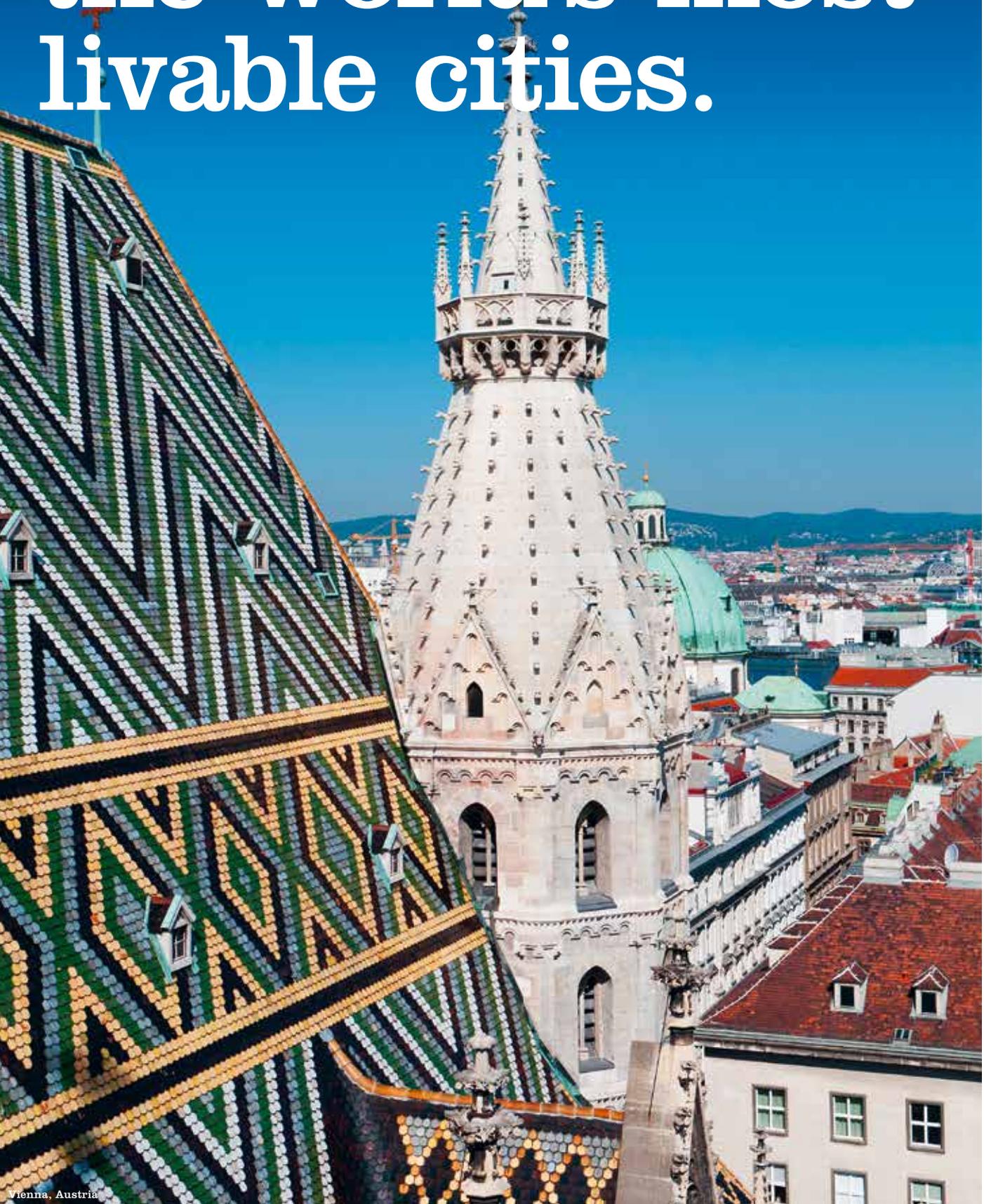
Master of Legal Studies

(European Business Law)

WU

**EXECUTIVE
ACADEMY**

Study in one of
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Building bridges between the areas of law and business



"In an increasingly complex world, knowledge of the law becomes more and more important even for non-lawyers. The Master of Legal Studies addresses this growing industry need to build meaningful, practical bridges across the fields of law and business. It is tailored specifically for people working at the intersection of law, business and technical fields, such as managers, sales agents, and engineers."

Prof. Dr. Georg E. Kodek, LL.M.
Academic Director, Master of Legal Studies
Judge of the Austrian Supreme Court

With the Master of Legal Studies (MLS), the WU Executive Academy offers a part-time postgraduate program for current and potential executives without a law degree who work in a wide range of industries and/or the service sector. The Master of Legal Studies provides participants with the legal expertise that is required for executive success in the private, public and non-profit sectors in the European Union.

ADVANTAGES AND PERSPECTIVES

In the MLS program you acquire all the skills you need to manage, communicate, and lead more effectively across the combined business, legal, and regulatory specialties. The program covers all areas of the law relevant for doing business in Europe. We do not focus on a particular national legal system. Rather, the program is designed to develop a better understanding of legal problems in all legal systems. With this truly transnational approach, we highlight fundamental general

principles, illustrated by examples from the legal systems of several EU member states. Special emphasis is given to European Union Law.

The curriculum is supplemented by courses in management. In addition, special courses offer an improvement of soft skills such as negotiation, presentation techniques and contract drafting.

You profit in several respects:

- › Get to know European Business Law by way of a comprehensive curriculum
 - › Ideal study conditions with a limited number of participants
 - › Benefit from our faculty of renowned professors and experienced practitioners
 - › Build up your comprehensive personal network by becoming a member of the WU Executive Academy alumni community
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Why you should choose the Master of Legal Studies

STUDY WITH OUR WORLD-CLASS FACULTY

Our international faculty consists of a pool of world-renowned professors and internationally-acclaimed industry experts. They are drawn from WU Vienna and more than 230 international partner universities and some of the leading global organizations.

DYNAMIC PEER GROUP

Our carefully selected participants with diverse backgrounds and perspectives contribute to the quality of the program to the same extent as do our faculty. Creating new ideas, reflecting on one's current work, exchanging insights with like-minded international colleagues, and expanding your personal network adds immeasurable value to the program.

STUDY AND WORK WITH OUR FLEXIBLE FORMAT

Our programs are built around you and your lifestyle as a busy executive. Not only does the part-time, modular structure and our state-of-the-art e-learning platform allow you to continue to work whilst studying, but it also offers the opportunity to extend your professional network.

WORLDWIDE ALUMNI NETWORK

Our globe-spanning alumni network, the "WU Executive Club" with over 2,300 members from over 85 different nations, is the perfect foundation to establish long-lasting professional and personal relationships. During and after your studies, you will enjoy countless opportunities to connect with other business leaders and have access to exclusive alumni and career services.

ALUMNI BENEFITS

As a member of the WU Executive Club you will enjoy numerous exclusive services and benefits:

- › Alumni events help you establish, maintain and deepen personal and professional ties with other senior executives of different nationalities coming from diverse professional backgrounds.
- › Career services such as skill development sessions, coaching and networking events with our executive search partners help you support your career development and leverage your full potential.
- › Preferential access to national and international career opportunities.
- › Invitations to panel discussions, conferences, guest speaker events, seminars and other lifelong learning activities.
- › And many more.

GENERATE REAL VALUE FOR EMPLOYERS

The value of recruiting and retaining top talent is key for truly forward-thinking companies. By supporting their managers in pursuing an executive education program at the WU Executive Academy, employers are rewarded with highly motivated talent armed with a holistic understanding of their specific industry or function.



Campus WU



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Study at Europe's largest business university

AN INVITATION TO STUDY AT THE WU EXECUTIVE ACADEMY

The WU Executive Academy is part of the Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU Vienna) which was founded in 1898. It is Europe's largest business university and enjoys an excellent international reputation based on over a century of experience.

Being part of WU Vienna, the WU Executive Academy provides access to the expertise of some 700 faculty members and countless experts in over 200 partner universities worldwide.

INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATIONS AND LANDMARK QUALITY STANDARDS

As part of WU, the WU Executive Academy is AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) and EQUIS (European Quality Improvement System) accredited. EQUIS is an internationally recognized accreditation system offered by the European

Foundation of Management. Moreover, the outstanding quality of its MBA programs has been recognized by AMBA (Association of MBAs) awarding its renowned global accreditation.

RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS

- › Financial Times Business School Ranking (2015): # 42 in Europe
- › Financial Times Executive MBA Ranking (2015): # 44 worldwide
- # 7 work experience of the students
- # 17 international students
- # 17 international course experience
- › Handelsblatt Business Administration Ranking (2014): # 4 in research in Germany, Austria, Switzerland

OUR NEW CAMPUS

In September 2013 the WU Vienna moved to the new Campus WU. Located near the city center and bordering one of Vienna's largest parks, the new campus combines urban life and a top infrastructure for an ideal studying environment.

The WU Executive Academy building was designed by the Spanish architects NO.MAD Arquitectos. Their vision resulted in a square-sided tower comprising seven floors, featuring a front facade made of glass and aluminum. Both sky and nature are mirrored in the building, which blends well into its surroundings. Our new campus offers world-class facilities and resources to our students, enabling us to provide top-notch executive education programs.



Program overview

This postgraduate program is tailored specifically for people working at the intersection of law, business and technical fields. The Master of Legal Studies in European Business Law provides you with the skills needed to communicate, manage, and lead more effectively across the combined business, legal, and regulatory specialties.

TARGET GROUP

- › Executives who frequently have to deal with legal issues in their daily work
- › Practitioners from law departments aiming to enriching their know-how in European Business Law
- › High potentials seeking to further develop profound knowledge in business law

DURATION

- › 14 months, part-time
- › 4 blocked modules of 7 days each

PROGRAM LANGUAGE

English

LOCATION

Vienna, Austria: Campus WU

DEGREE

"Master of Legal Studies" (MLS) awarded by the Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU)

ACADEMIC DIRECTOR

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- › University degree (bachelor or master)
- › Proficiency in written and spoken English
- › Minimum of 3 years of relevant working experience

APPLICATION

To apply for the Master of Legal Studies, please use the online application form at [executiveacademy.at](https://www.executiveacademy.at)

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- › Curriculum Vitae
 - › Letter of motivation
 - › 2 letters of recommendation
 - › Copy of university diploma in original language
 - › Official transcripts of university grades and diploma
 - › Recent digital photograph
 - › Copy of valid passport
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Module structure and didactic design

The modular structure allows managers to complete a world-class executive education while pursuing their careers.

MODULE STRUCTURE AND DIDACTIC DESIGN

The didactic design of our Master of Laws programs with consecutive curriculum modules, each consisting of pre-, core and post-module work, ensures an efficient transfer of knowledge while you develop your professional career. The pedagogical approaches are diverse, ranging from interactive case studies to business simulations and formal presentations.

MASTER THESIS

At the end of the program, students write a master thesis in order to illustrate their ability in writing scientific papers on their own. Students have the support of an academic advisor for the master thesis.



PRE-MODULE  e-learning	CORE-MODULE  in-class	POST-MODULE  e-learning
Preparation of topic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Readings › Online tutorials › Case studies › Presentations › Other 	In-class time <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Benchmarking and lecture sessions › Individual and/or group case work and presentations › Business simulations › Breakout sessions › Case discussions › Other 	Application of newly gained knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Evaluation of theories › Case studies › Papers › Other

Curriculum

Please find an overview of all modules taught in the course of the program on the following pages.

MASTER OF LEGAL STUDIES (EUROPEAN BUSINESS LAW)	
Civil Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none">› Civil Law› Civil Procedure and Arbitration› Labor Law
Management Modules	<ul style="list-style-type: none">› Accounting› Management› Controlling
Tax Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none">› Tax Law
Commercial Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none">› Commercial Law› Corporate Law› Insolvency Law› Banking Law
European and Public Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none">› European Union Law› Public Law› Criminal Law
Leadership Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">› Legal English› Contract Drafting› Negotiation



CIVIL LAW

Civil law provides the legal basis for all business activity. Sales, loans, lease agreements and much more are all governed by civil law. The program is designed to introduce you to the fundamental concepts of civil law, both on a national and an international level. We rely on a comparative approach, pointing out similarities as well as differences between the various national legal systems.

CIVIL PROCEDURE AND ARBITRATION

Dispute resolution is part of today's business life. You will learn how court procedures in different countries work, thus developing a better understanding of all kinds of problems likely to be faced in the course of litigation both in domestic and cross-border cases. With Vienna being a traditional much sought-after place for arbitration, the course also covers arbitration and alternative dispute resolution procedures.

LABOR LAW

Nowadays the relationship between employer and employee is governed by a multitude of laws and regulations. Develop an insight into the provisions applying here which range from European Union law to collective agreements and agreements at company level.

ACCOUNTING

This module covers fundamental principles and elements of accounting, procedural issues vital in the preparation and presentation of financial statements, practical and theoretical matters in the evaluation of income, inventory, fixed assets, current assets, investments, leases, provisions and liabilities.

MANAGEMENT

Introduction to the critical management skills involved in planning, structuring, controlling and leading an organization. Key topics include concepts of human resource management, organizational behavior and decision making.

CONTROLLING

Examine key controlling concepts from two perspectives. The accounting perspective, i.e. the interpretation of financial statements and traditional controlling tools based on accounting ratios, and the finance perspective, which covers value-based controlling methods.

TAX LAW

Tax considerations are an essential part of business. Develop an in-depth understanding of tax law, both on national and European Union levels. Not only ordinary income tax and VAT are discussed, but more complex questions of tax structuring as well as the tax impacts of business reorganization are also in focus.

COMMERCIAL LAW

Get to know the full scope of commercial law. Areas discussed include international sales law, international business law, and intellectual property law as well as legal issues related to new media such as e-commerce.



CORPORATE LAW

Today, corporate law is an essential part of business life. Develop an understanding of the basic issues of corporate law and how to apply them. Subjects discussed include the foundation and structure of corporations, duties of the management, rules on the protection of the corporation's capital, provisions for the protection of shareholders, rules on re-structuring and on groups of companies. Furthermore, foundations, trusts and similar models will be dealt with.

INSOLVENCY LAW

Insolvency law and business restructuring are an indispensable part of business law. The subject will be discussed both from a European Union law perspective and from the viewpoint of national law. Topics to be discussed range from the disposition of assets, payment of creditors and the various means of discharge.

BANKING LAW

Both regulatory and private law aspects of banking law will be addressed. Topics discussed range from licensing requirements to bank guarantees and the types of security rights available.

EUROPEAN UNION LAW

European Union law has a profound impact on the law of its member countries. Get to know the most important rules of European Union law and acquire a deep understanding of how European Union institutions work.

PUBLIC LAW

Be it a simple building permit or a complex environmental impact assessment, public law is determining many aspects of business practice nowadays. Learn about the full range of public law from licensing requirements to competition law.

CRIMINAL LAW

With increasing emphasis being placed on compliance with the law, both on national and international levels, a thorough understanding of criminal law is essential for doing business today. The focus is set on white collar crimes such as corruption, fraud etc. You will also be introduced to the basics of procedural law, including international cooperation in the field of criminal law.

LEGAL ENGLISH

In an increasingly interconnected world a profound knowledge of English is indispensable. Therefore, the MLS program places strong emphasis on English. All lectures are given in English; in addition a special language module focuses on language issues on the legal context. Improve and practice your English, thus getting ready for an ever more complex legal and business environment of today and tomorrow.

CONTRACT DRAFTING AND NEGOTIATION

Special emphasis is placed on the development of soft skills which are important in business life. We will address issues such as contract drafting as well as presentation and negotiation techniques.

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