



University of Bergen

Faculty of Law

Exchange Programme Fact Sheet 2021/2022

About the Faculty of Law

The Faculty of Law has 2500 students and employs about 100 persons in academic and administrative positions. We focus on high quality research and teaching within a variety of legal areas. Our faculty offers foremost expertise in criminal law and criminal theory. Also, many of our senior researchers are devoted to human rights law and welfare law. The faculty has strong research environments in private law, and research areas of priority include competition law and EU law, as well as intellectual property law.

The faculty's international profile is reflected both in research activities, and in the substantial number of international exchange students which we have the pleasure of welcoming every semester. It is also seen in the number of students from our faculty who choose to study abroad for a semester or two; between 40 and 50 % of the last years' graduates had studied abroad as part of their law degree.

Why choose the Faculty of Law, University of Bergen as your study abroad destination?

The faculty offers a selection of courses taught in English, open to students at both undergraduate and graduate level. The courses are taught by specialists within the fields, including professors from recognised universities abroad. We would particularly like to draw your attention to two courses which are new as of 2021: *Law of the Sea and its Uses* and *Privacy and Data Protection – GDPR*.

In addition to the faculty's academic excellence, one of the most striking features of the Faculty of Law, and the University of Bergen in general, is its location in the very heart of the city; providing the students with many opportunities to take part in Bergen's rich cultural life. The beautiful fjords and mountains of Western Norway are also within easy reach. Bergen offers a unique combination of vibrant cultural life, breath taking experiences of nature, and most importantly: high quality education!

Studies during the Covid-19 outbreak

It is impossible to predict if or how the Covid-19 outbreak will impact the studies during 2021/2022. The University of Bergen expects to continue to welcome international exchange students, and we will continuously be organising and conducting teaching in a safe way. We will offer as much campus teaching as possible. All physical teaching and students' workspaces will at all times be in line with local and national guidelines for social gatherings and infection control. Up to date information may be found at www.uib.no/corona

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Exchange related information	
Nomination periods for partners	Autumn semester 2021: 15 March - 20 April (final deadline) Spring semester 2022: 1 September - 1 October (final deadline)
Nomination procedure	Students must be nominated online. Use our step by step guide to easily nominate your students. www.uib.no/en/how-to-nominate
Application deadlines for students	Autumn semester 2021 / full year: 25 April (the application form opens 15 March) Spring semester 2022: 15 October (the application form opens 1 September)
Application procedures	Students apply online once they have received an e-mail from UiB which confirms that they have been nominated by their home university. The e-mail provides a link to the online application form: www.uib.no/en/how-to-apply
Supporting documents required with the application	Transcript of records in English or Scandinavian language and copy of passport or national ID card.
Dates for issuance of acceptance letters	Autumn semester 2021: 5 May – 5 June Spring semester 2022: 15 October – 20 November
Norwegian language requirements	Courses for exchange students are taught in English. Norwegian proficiency is not required as an exchange student. Provided that the student masters a Scandinavian language, the student may also select courses taught in Norwegian.
English language requirements	Required level of English proficiency: B2 The University of Bergen does not require official documentation of the student's language proficiency but trusts the sending university to monitor that the student has an adequate knowledge of English, both written and spoken.
Language courses available to international students	A Norwegian language course of one semester's duration is available to exchange students. Free of charge. www.uib.no/en/norwegian-language-courses
Fees applicable to exchange students	None
Orientation sessions for incoming students	There is a Welcome Programme for new international students before the start of every semester. www.uib.no/en/student/50047/new-student

Course related information	
Academic calendar	Autumn semester: Week 32 (early August) to week 51 (end of December) Spring semester: Week 1-2 (early January) to week 24 (end of June) Recommended arrival time: Before the introductory programme in mid-August and at the beginning of January.
Selection of courses and course registration deadline	Students select courses after sending their online application and must confirm their choices by registering for classes and exams at the start of the semester. The original choices may be altered upon arrival. Deadline for <i>final</i> course selection: 1 September in the autumn semester and 1 February in the spring semester.
Language of instruction	English (and/or Norwegian for students mastering a Scandinavian language)
Information on courses taught in English	The Faculty of Law offers various courses taught in English within the following broad subject areas: Human rights, Energy law, Commercial law, Legal philosophy, Comparative law, and more. The courses are taught by specialists within the fields, including professors from recognized universities abroad. There is a wide selection of courses taught in English in both autumn and spring semesters. List of courses and course descriptions: www.uib.no/en/jur/22938/course-overview Students may also choose courses from other faculties: www.uib.no/en/exchange-courses
Number of credits per semester required for full workload	30 ECTS credits The standard credit load per course at the Faculty of Law is 10 ECTS credits. There are some exceptions where courses are worth 5 or 20 ECTS credits.
Academic transcript	The University of Bergen does not issue hard copy transcripts of records. Results are available through the online Diploma Registry Portal where students can share their results with their home university via a link, or via a verified PDF. www.uib.no/en/student/49190/diploma-registry

Housing information	
Is student housing available?	Yes, exchange students are guaranteed housing if they are staying at least one semester or more and follow the specific application procedure for students with a housing guarantee. www.uib.no/student-accommodation
Application period for housing	Autumn semester 2021: 1 April – 1 June Spring semester 2022: 1 October – 1 November
Is there any assistance in finding off-campus housing?	No External websites for off-campus housing: www.uib.no/en/education/49447/student-accommodation#other-accomodation

Residence permit and insurance	
Residence permit	www.uib.no/residence-permit
Health insurance	Students must have a valid health insurance while in Norway. UiB does not provide health insurance nor liability insurance to students. www.uib.no/en/education/117012/health-and-insurance