



**RIGA  
GRADUATE  
SCHOOL OF  
LAW**



# **OPEN THE DOORS TO RGSL**

**ACADEMIC YEAR 17/18**





# OVERVIEW

## BACHELOR PROGRAMMES

Law and Business (LL.B)  
Law and Diplomacy (LL.B)

Internationally competitive legal education:

- Interdisciplinary approach with two competences in one programme
- International study environment with all teaching in English
- Fully accredited diploma that is highly regarded in the job market

## MASTERS PROGRAMMES

International and European Law (LL.M)  
European Union Law and Policy (LL.M)  
Transborder Commercial Law (LL.M)  
Public International and Human Rights Law (LL.M)  
Law and Finance (LL.M)

Advanced international graduate education:

- Research based teaching in law, business, politics and finance
- Evening and executive style schedules to accommodate work and studies
- Internationally competitive and fully accredited diploma

## DOCTORAL PROGRAMME

International and European Law (PhD)

Postgraduate programme offered in cooperation with University of Copenhagen:

- Essential stepping stone in the academic and professional legal career
- Specially designed courses in Riga and Copenhagen

## SHORT DURATION COURSES

Advanced Programme in Law and Economics  
Intensive Programme in Law and Economics  
Transparency and anti-corruption courses

Programmes are aimed at public officials, as well as representatives of civil society and academia from the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) countries, Central Asia and Western Balkans.

**Most RGSL alumni, myself included, like to say that RGSL teaches you a certain “way of thinking” rather than just basic academic knowledge.**

/Marta Cera/

# BACHELOR PROGRAMMES

## **LAW AND BUSINESS (LL.B)**

The interdisciplinary programme Law and Business combines law and business courses to provide an understanding of the relations between law and business in an international context.

We aim to train students for positions in business and international legal practice – to work either in a managerial environment, with a clear understanding of legal issues, or in legal practice with a clear understanding of business transactions.

## **LAW AND DIPLOMACY (LL.B)**

The interdisciplinary programme Law and Diplomacy combines law and international relations courses to provide an understanding of law and diplomacy in an international context.

We aim to train students for positions in international relations and legal practice – to work either in a foreign service, an international organisation, an NGO or the media, with a clear understanding of legal issues, or in legal practice with a clear understanding of International relations.

Both programmes are available to applicants with a secondary school degree from any accredited school or a degree considered equivalent to an education necessary to undertake studies at RGSL.

- 180 ECTS credits / 120 Latvian credits
- Three-year programme





# BACHELOR PROGRAMMES

## MANDATORY COURSES

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### Law

Introduction to Law  
Public International Law  
European Union Law  
Introduction to Latvian Law  
Comparative Personal and Family Law  
Internal Market Law  
Constitutional Law  
Comparative Contract Law  
Intellectual Property Law  
International Human Rights Law  
Competition and State Aid Law  
Law of Treaties

International Private and Procedural Law  
Philosophy of Law  
Legal Method  
External Relations of the European Union  
International Commercial Law

### Research

Introduction to Studies  
Research Methods  
Advanced Research Methods  
Research Papers  
Bachelor's Thesis

## LAW AND BUSINESS (LL.B)

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### Business

Introduction to Business Studies  
Business Accounting  
Financial Accounting  
Risk Management  
Business Strategy  
Applied Business Strategy  
Management Accounting and Control

### Economics

Mathematics for Social Sciences  
Statistics for Social Sciences  
Microeconomics  
Macroeconomics  
Financial Economics  
International Monetary Economics

## LAW AND DIPLOMACY (LL.B)

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### Diplomacy

Theory of International Relations  
Contemporary World History  
Introduction to Diplomacy  
Crisis Management in International Politics  
Global Approaches to Public Diplomacy  
Political Negotiations Strategy and Tactics

### Policy

Comparative Politics  
International Organisations  
International Security  
EU Policy Making  
Foreign Policy Analysis

**About RGSL**  
**I can say that it is**  
**definitely a place where**  
**everyone can spread**  
**their wings.**

/Baiba Jugane - Lintere/



# MASTERS PROGRAMMES

## INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN LAW (LL.M)

The programme is designed for students interested in pursuing their professional careers in international organisations, private law firms, public authorities, and academia. The programme allows choosing broader or more specialised programmes, combining courses from several tracks:

- International and European Law
- Transborder Commercial Law
- Public International and Human Rights Law
- European Union Law and Policy

The International and European Law programme is available both as a one-year academic programme and as a two-year professional programme that leads to the Latvian lawyer's certificate.

- Available to applicants with a Bachelor, Masters or equivalent degree in law or related fields, on condition that basic knowledge in law and corresponding work experience is acquired
- Accepted proof of English language proficiency: IELTS 5.5+, TOEFL IBT 69+, TOEFL paper based test 525+ or other equivalent
- 63 ECTS credits/ 42 Latvian credits for one-year programme
- 121,5 ECTS credits/ 81 Latvian credits for two-year programme

**Thanks to the  
RGSL, I represent  
a new generation of  
entrepreneurs who are  
well-rounded and can  
perceive things from  
multiple angles.**

*/Vadims Šeršņovs/*



# MASTERS PROGRAMMES

## SUBSTANTIVE COURSES:

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- International Law System and Human Rights: Theory and Development
- International Humanitarian Law
- International Criminal Law
- Changing European Human Rights Law
- Business and Human Rights
- State Responsibility in International Law
- Private International Law and International Civil Procedure
- Trade Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights
- International Sales Law
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Comparative Contract and Commercial Law
- EU Company Law
- Integration of Political Economy
- Environmental Law
- Integration and European Court of Justice
- Policy Implementation and Negotiation Techniques
- External Relations of the European Union
- Foreign and Security Policy of the European Union





# MASTERS PROGRAMMES

## LAW AND FINANCE (LL.M)

The programme equips both law and finance specialists with knowledge regarding the interface of financial affairs and its regulatory background. It facilitates understanding of the wide array of multidisciplinary issues involved and delivers in depth knowledge of the mesh of legal and economic aspects of firms and markets.

- One-year, two-year programmes
  - One-year, academic Masters programmes are open to those with a four year bachelor's degree or higher
  - Two-year programmes are open to those who have completed a 180 ECTS credits (3 years) bachelor's degree or higher
  - 72 ECTS credits / 48 Latvian credits for one year programme
  - 120 ECTS credits / 80 Latvian credits for two years programme
- Available to applicants with a Bachelor, Masters, or equivalent degree in law, business, finance, economics or related fields
- Accepted proof of English language proficiency: IELTS 5.5+, TOEFL IBT 69+, TOEFL paper based test 525+ or other equivalent

## MANDATORY COURSES

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Legal Reasoning and Research  
Micro & Macro Economics  
Introduction to Law  
Financial Accounting  
European Union Law  
Monetary Policy  
Banking Regulation  
International Financial Management

Corporate Finance  
International Commercial Law  
European Company Law  
European Competition Law  
Investment & Fund Management  
Insolvency Law  
Mergers & Acquisitions



# DOCTORAL PROGRAMME

The programme is offered in cooperation with University of Copenhagen as postgraduate education in the area of International and European Union law.

It provides advanced knowledge and skills in the fields of legal research and methodology of analysis, which are aimed at fostering the knowledge and qualification required at an international level for academic and scientific work, as well as for high level expert positions in business and administration. It also grants access to the seminars and facilities of Danish and Nordic research networks.

- Three-year programme
- Available to applicants with a Masters or equivalent degree in law
- Accepted proof of advanced profession of the English language needed
- 180 ECTS / 120 Latvian credits

Successful applicants will be enrolled in both universities and will be employed by RGSL as faculty members in the capacity of PhD research fellows.





# ADMISSION 2017/2018

We are looking for outstanding applicants that value knowledge and strive for excellence. We will offer a study experience that reaches beyond borders of disciplines and traditional boundaries of thinking to prepare you for any challenge on your way to a spectacular career and international recognition.

Apply to study at RGSL and fill in an online application at [apply.rgsl.edu.lv](http://apply.rgsl.edu.lv)

If you are one of the best students in your class and want to be sure to get a study place at RGSL, apply early. You will need ECTS grade level A or B as an average and in English on your current term transcript, or if you have already graduated from high school, on your diploma.

## Deadlines

Early admission deadline: 14 March, 2017 (Apply before 14 March and participate in the Early Admission Lottery! We will raffle one free study place for one academic year on the Bachelor programmes and one on the Masters programmes among all eligible applicants).

General admission deadline: 6 July (Results will be announced by 10 July).

## Requirements

### BACHELOR PROGRAMMES

Write a motivation letter in English. Our normal requirements are ECTS grade level C as an average and in English, but you may qualify also through other achievements.

Admission is based on an overall evaluation of your grade average, academic, scientific and social achievements, with a strong preference given to applicants with ECTS grade level A and B.

Attach a copy of passport and a passport size photo.

### MASTERS PROGRAMMES

Attach certified copies of diploma and diploma transcript with an English translation, if the diploma is issued outside Latvia.

Attach official results of English language proficiency exams. Applicants who have acquired higher education in the English language (or may prove comparable knowledge) are released from taking TOEFL or IELTS.

Attach a copy of passport and a passport size photo.

### Excellence scholarships

RGSL offers fee waivers for foreign students and outstanding local applicants!



# ADMISSION 2017/2018

## Experience RGSL yourself!

Visit us for Open Days on 10 November 2016, 4 March and 25 May 2017.  
Try being a student! Apply in advance via e-mail [start@rgsl.edu.lv](mailto:start@rgsl.edu.lv)

## Join RGSL!

RGSL Fall Excellence School on 15 October, 5 November  
and 3 December 2016!

Spring Workshops on 4 March, 8 April and 6 May 2017!

## TUITION FEES

Study programmes	Per academic year (EUR)	Total per programme (EUR)
LL.B in Law and Business	3 500	10 500
LL.B in Law and Diplomacy	3 500	10 500
LL.M in International and European Law (academic)	5 500	5 500
LL.M in International and European Law (professional, two year programme)	5 500+3 000	8 500
LL.M in Public International Law and Human Rights	5 500	5 500
LL.M in Transborder Commercial Law	5 500	5 500
LL.M in European Union Law and Policy	5 500	5 500
LL.M in Law and Finance (academic)	7 500	7 500
LL.M in Law and Finance (professional, two year programme)	7 500+3 500	11 000

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