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Curriculum for the

Bachelor's Programme Business Law

at the Faculty of Law of the University of Innsbruck

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§ 1 Allocation

According to § 54 Universities Act 2002, the Bachelor's Programme Business Law is grouped among the legal studies.

§ 2 Qualification profile

The Bachelor's Programme Business Law prepares legal experts for activities in economic and economy-oriented companies. Graduates of the programme have a general legal knowledge in content and methodology as well as specific business legal and economic basic skills. They are able to autonomously solve problems in terms of law and economy by means of legal methodology. Their high problem-solving skills, based on this university training, prepare students for activities in relevant economic and scientific occupational fields on national and international level. These occupational fields include e.g. tax consultancy, auditing, business consultancy, banking, insurance companies and other companies with legal departments and HR.

At the same time, the Bachelor's Programme Business Law serves as basic studies for the Master's Programme Business Law, which is intended to deepen legal knowledge, in particular business legal and economic skills, and prepares for legal professions such as notary, lawyer, judge, attorney and administrative lawyer.

§ 3 Scope and duration

The Bachelor's Programme Business Law covers 180 ECTS-Credits, with a duration of six semesters. One ECTS-Credit is equivalent to a work-load of 25 hours.

§ 4 Admission

Admission to the study programme is granted by the rectorate according to the Universities Act regulations 2002.

§ 5 Types of courses and maximum number of students per course

- (1) Courses without continuing performance assessment:
 1. Lectures (VO) are courses held in lecture format. They introduce the research areas, methods and schools of thought for a given subject.
 2. Orientation courses (SL) aim to provide the students with an outline of essential elements of the programme and its subsequent courses of study; they also aim to provide students with a solid basis on which to make personal decisions concerning their choice of study program. Maximum number of participants: 160
- (2) Courses with continuing performance assessment:
 1. Introductory seminars (PS) introduce students interactively to scientific literature through the treatment of selected issues. They convey knowledge and methods of academic work. Maximum number of participants: 40
 2. Seminars (SE) provide in-depth treatment of scientific topics through students' presentations and discussion thereof.
 3. Practical courses (UE) focus on the practical treatment of concrete scientific tasks within an area. Maximum number of participants: 40
 4. Lectures with integrated practical parts (VU) focus on the practical treatment of concrete scientific tasks that are discussed during the lecture parts of the course. Maximum number of participants: 160

§ 6 Allocation of places in courses with a limited number of participants

In courses with a limited number of participants, course places are allocated as follows:

1. Students for whom the study duration would be extended due to the postponement are to be given priority.

2. If the criteria in No 1 do not suffice, first, students for whom this course is part of a compulsory module are to be given priority, and second, students for whom this course is part of an elective module.
3. If the criteria in No 1 and 2 do not suffice, the available places are drawn by random.

§7 Studies Induction and Orientation Stage

- (1) Within the scope of the Studies Induction and Orientation Stage, which takes place in the first semester, the following course examinations must be passed:
 1. SL Introduction to the Basics of Public Law for Economic Law (1 h., 2.5 ECTS-Credits, §8 no. 1 lit. a),
 2. SL Introduction to Business Law (1 h. 2.5 ECTS-Credits, §8 no. 1 lit. b),
 3. VO Business and Management Concepts und Management (2 hrs., 4 ECTS-Credits, §8 no. 12 lit. a),
 4. VO Fundamentals of Economics (2 hrs., 4 ECTS-Credits, §8 no. 13 lit. a).
- (2) Successful passing of all exams of the Studies Induction and Orientation Stage entitles to passing all further courses and examinations as well as to writing the Bachelor's Thesis required by the curriculum.
- (3) Before successful completion of the Studies Induction and Orientation Stage courses amounting to 17 ECTS-Credits may be passed. The requirements specified in the curriculum must be met.

§ 8 Compulsory Modules

The following compulsory modules with a total of 165 ECTS-Credits are to be taken:

1.	Compulsory Module: Introduction to Economic Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	SL Introduction to the Basics of Public Law for Economic Law	1	2.5
b.	SL Introduction to Business Law	1	2.5
	Total	2	5
	Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have an overview of the main legal contents of the study programme.		
	Prerequisites: none		

2.	Compulsory Module: Module: Labour and Social Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Labour Law	4	8.5
b.	VO Social Law	2	4
	Total	6	12.5
	Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have scientific and professional knowledge in labour law and basic skills in social law.		
	Prerequisites: none		

3.	Compulsory Module: Private Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a	VO Private Law – General Part I	2	2.5
b.	VO Private Law - General Part II	1	2
c.	VO Law of Obligations - General Part	2	4
d.	VO Law of Obligations - Special Part I	2	4
e.	VO Law of Obligations - Special Part II	1	2
f.	VO Property Law I	2	4
g.	VO Private International Law	1	2
h.	UE Private Law	2	2
	Total	13	22.5
<p>Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have scientific and professional knowledge in private law including cross-border issues, with the exception of family law and the law of succession.</p>			
<p>Prerequisites: none</p>			

4.	Compulsory Module: Introduction to Civil Procedure Law	h	ECTS-Credits
	VO Basics of the Civil Procedure Law	2	2.5
	Total	2	2.5
<p>Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have basic knowledge in civil procedure law which enables them to understand the different types of civil law enforcement in their various alignment and design.</p>			
<p>Prerequisites: none</p>			

5.	Compulsory Module: European Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO European Institutional Law	2	4
b.	VO Fundamentals of Substantive European Law	2	3.5
	Total	4	7.5
<p>Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have scientifically well-founded and professional knowledge of the structure and functionality of the EU (Union law), the legal system of the EU, including its relationships to the national law of its memberships, illustrated by Austria; legal protection and the protection of fundamental rights in the EU, the EU internal market with its four fundamental freedoms, legal harmonization based on selected fields as well as the main features of the EU's competitive law. This knowledge imparts the ability to systematically comprehend the entire Union law and simple legal issues of the Union.</p>			
<p>Prerequisites: none</p>			

6.	Compulsory Module: Constitutional and Administrative Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Constitutional Law	2	4
b.	VO General Aspects of Administrative Law I	1	2
c.	VO Fields of Special Administrative Law II	1	2
d.	VO Administrative Procedure and Procedure of Administrative Courts	2	4
e.	UE Public Law	2	3
	Total	8	15
<p>Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have basic knowledge in constitutional law, general and special administrative law, administrative procedure as well as procedure of administrative courts which enables them to systematically understand the entire public law and to solve simple public law issues.</p>			
<p>Prerequisites: none</p>			

7.	Compulsory Module: Public Business Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO The Economic Constitution-National, European and International Legal Framework	1	2
b.	VO Public Law of Economics	3	5.5
	Total	4	7.5
<p>Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have basic knowledge in the field of public business law, in particular in competition law and legal regulation which enables them to systematically understand legal matter and to solve simple problems.</p>			
<p>Prerequisites: none</p>			

8.	Compulsory Module: Tax Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Financial Law	3	6
b.	VO Business Tax Law	2	4
	Total	5	10
<p>Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students are able to recognize and comply with tax obligations in terms of <i>best compliance</i> including the use of legal tax compliance potentials. They are able to recognize and implement tax compliance paths within the framework of the laws.</p>			
<p>Prerequisites: none</p>			

9.	Compulsory Module: Criminal Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Criminal Law, General Part I (Fundamental Principles)	2	4
b.	VO Criminal Law, Special Part I (Considering Commercial Criminal Law)	2	4
c.	UE Criminal Law	2	4
	Total	6	10
Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have scientific and professional knowledge of substantive criminal law, in particular commercial criminal law.			
Prerequisites: none			

10.	Compulsory Module: Substantive Revenue Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Substantive Revenue Law General Part	1	2.5
b.	VO Substantive Revenue Law Special Part	1	2.5
	Total	2	5
Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have scientific and professional knowledge of substantive revenue law.			
Prerequisites: none			

11.	Compulsory Module: Business Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Business Law and Principles of the Private Right of Economy	2	4
b.	VO Company Law	3	6
c.	VO Accounting Law	1	2.5
	Total	6	12.5
Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have scientific and professional knowledge of general business law including accounting law and company law (with the exception of competition law. Moreover, students are introduced into the field of industrial property protection.			
Prerequisites: none			

12.	Compulsory Module: Introduction to Management	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Business and Management Concepts und Management	2	4
b.	PS Introduction to Management	2	3.5
	Total	4	7.5
Learning Outcomes: Acquisition of a basic understanding of economic thinking and management; practicing a systematic-critical approach to scientific texts; writing of own texts on the basis of scientific			

	working methods
	Prerequisites: none

13.	Compulsory Module: Introduction to Economics	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Fundamentals of Economics	2	4
b.	PS Fundamentals of Economics	2	3.5
	Total	4	7.5
	Learning Outcomes: Basic understanding of the main fields of economics.		
	Prerequisites: none		

14.	Compulsory Module: Accounting 1: Financial Accounting	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VU Fundamentals of Book-Keeping	1	1.5
b.	VO Financial Reporting and Financial Statement Analysis	2	4
c.	PS Financial Reporting and Financial Statement Analysis	1	2
	Total	4	7.5
	Learning Outcomes: Acquisition of an overview of the field of business management, ability to analyse, discuss and solve simple issues in business management.		
	Prerequisites: successful evaluation of compulsory modules 12 and 13		

15.	Compulsory Module: Accounting 2: Management Accounting	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Management Accounting	2	4
b.	PS Cost Accounting	2	3.5
	Total	4	7.5
	Learning Outcomes: Acquisition of overview knowledge in the field of business management, ability to analyse, discuss and solve simple business problems		
	Prerequisites: positive evaluation of compulsory modules 12 and 13		

16.	Compulsory Module: Fundamentals of Management: Financial Management	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Financial Management	1	2
b.	PS Financial Management	2	3
	Total	3	5
	Learning Outcomes: Acquisition of overview knowledge in the field of business management, ability to analyse, discuss and solve simple business problems		
	Prerequisites: successful completion of compulsory modules 12 and 13		

17.	Compulsory Module: Fundamentals of Management: Organization and Human Resource Management	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Organization and Human Resource Management	2	3
b.	PS Organization: Processes and Practices	1	2
	Total	3	5
Learning Outcomes: Acquisition of overview knowledge in the field of business management, ability to analyse, discuss and solve simple business problems			
Prerequisites: successful completion of compulsory modules 12 and 13			

18.	Compulsory Module: Seminar with Bachelor's Thesis	h	ECTS-Credits
	SE Seminar with Bachelor's Thesis	1	1 + 14
	Total	1	15
Learning Outcomes: Students are able to independently write a written thesis on a topic in the fields of compulsory modules of §8 No. 2 – 17 or elective modules of §9 no. 1 – 5 and are able to present the results in a lecture.			
Prerequisites: successful completion of the compulsory module, from the subject field of which the topic for the Bachelor's Thesis was taken			

§ 9 Elective Modules

The following elective modules with a total of 15 ECTS-Credits are to be taken:

1.	Elective Module: Public Business Law - Special Issues	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Special Administrative Law I	2	4
b.	VU Public Law of Economics	2	2.5
c.	VO Current Developments in Business Law	1	1
	Total	5	7.5
Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have in-depth understanding of individual current and special practice-related legal fields of public business law (in particular procurement law and legal regulation), and they know how to apply them to complex legal issues.			
Prerequisites: none			

2.	Elective Module: Competition and Bank Law, Law of Enterprise Taxes – Special Issues	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Competition Law	1	2
b.	VO Banking and Capital Markets	1	2
c.	VO Law of Enterprise Taxes - Special Issues	2	3.5
	Total	4	7.5

	Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this module, students have scientific and professional knowledge of competition law as well as banking and capital markets law. The students are able to assess possibilities and limits of legal tax planning.		
	Prerequisites: none		

3.	Elective Module: Italian Law and Economics I: Public Business Law, Commercial Criminal Law, Labour and Social Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Italian Law and Economics I	2	4
b.	PS Italian Law and Economics I	2	3.5
	Total	4	7.5
	Learning Outcomes: Acquisition of relevant basic knowledge of Italian public law, Italian criminal law as well as Italian labour and social law; ability to analyse, discuss and solve basic business law issues; acquisition of presentation and communication skills.		
	Prerequisites: none		

4.	Elective Module: Italian Law and Economics II: Commercial and Business Law, Company Law, Bankruptcy Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Italian Law and Economics II	2	4
b.	PS Italian Law and Economics II	2	3.5
	Total	4	7.5
	Learning Outcomes: Acquisition of relevant basic knowledge of Italian commercial, company, business, and bankruptcy law; ability to analyse, discuss and solve basic business law issues; acquisition of presentation and communication skills.		
	Prerequisites: none		

5.	Elective Module: Italian Tax Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Italian Tax Law	2	4
b.	PS Italian Tax Law	2	3.5
	Total	4	7.5
	Learning Outcomes: Acquisition of practice-related basic knowledge of Italian tax law; ability to analyse, discuss and solve basic fiscal issues; acquisition of presentation and communication skills.		
	Prerequisites: none		

6.	Elective Module: Information Systems and Digital Transformations	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Introduction to Information Systems	2	3.5
b.	PS Information Systems	2	4
	Total	4	7.5

	Learning Outcomes: Acquisition of overview knowledge in the field of information systems, knowledge of suitable technologies, ability to implement databases and to model business processes.
	Prerequisites: successful completion of compulsory modules 12 and 13

7.	Elective Module: Interdisciplinary Skills	h	ECTS-Credits
	Courses with a total of up to 7.5 ECTS-Credits from the curricula of diploma and bachelor study programmes set up can be chosen freely, depending on the availability of free places. At least one course is to be chosen from the field of Gender and Law or Gender Research at the Faculty of Law.		7.5
	Total		7.5
	Learning Outcomes: This module serves to extend the studies and to acquire additional qualifications. Students are able to participate in a constructional scientific dialogue beyond the boundaries of their own discipline in a responsible manner and with the necessary sensitivity to gender aspects.		
	Prerequisites: the prerequisites for registration specified in the relevant curricula do apply.		

§ 10 Bachelor's Thesis

- (1) A bachelor's thesis with a workload of 14 ECTS-Credits is to be completed. The bachelor's thesis is an independent written work which is to be completed within the context of the compulsory module 18.
- (2) The topic of the bachelor's thesis is to be chosen from the fields of the compulsory modules of § 8 No 2-17 or the elective modules of § 9 No 1-5. The topic can consider economic issues.
- (3) The bachelor's thesis is to be submitted in written form and in electronic form as determined by the Director of Studies.

§ 11 Examination Regulations

- (1) The performance of the following modules is assessed by course examinations:
 1. Compulsory Module Introduction to Economic Law (§ 8 no. 1)
 2. Compulsory Module Introduction to Civil Procedure Law (§ 8 No 4)
 3. Elective Module Public Business Law - Special Issues (§ 9 No 1)
 4. Elective Module Competition and Bank Law, Law of Enterprise Taxes - Special Issues (§ 9 No 2)
 5. Elective Module Interdisciplinary Skills (§ 9 No 7).

The course examinations serve to proof the knowledge and skills covered in one course in which course assessment is based on a single examination at the end of the course. The course instructor has to define the method of examination (written or oral) and the assessment criteria before the course begins.
- (2) The performance of the following modules is assessed by oral comprehensive examinations:
 1. Compulsory Module Labour and Social Law (§ 8 No 2)
 2. Compulsory Module European Law (§ 8 No 5)

3. Compulsory Module Public Business Law (§ 8 No 7)
 4. Compulsory Module Tax Law (§ 8 No 8).
- (3) The performance of the Compulsory Module Private Law (§ 8 No 3) is assessed
1. by a written or oral comprehensive examination of the courses of § 8 No 3 lit a–g,
 2. by a course examination of the course according to § 8 No 3 lit h, for which course assessment is based on regular written and/or oral contribution by participants.
- For the course examination, the course lecturer shall specify which type of examination (written and/or oral contributions) and declare which assessment criteria will take place.
- Positive completion of the course according to No 2 is the prerequisite for registration for the comprehensive examination according to No 1.
- (4) The performance of the Compulsory Module Constitutional and Administrative Law (§ 8 No 6) is assessed
1. by a written and oral comprehensive examination of the courses of § 8 No 6 lit a–d,
 2. by a course examination of the course according to § 8 No 6 lit e, for which course assessment is based on regular written and/or oral contribution by participants.
- For the course examination, the course lecturer shall specify which type of examination (written and/or oral contributions) and declare which assessment criteria will take place.
- Positive completion of the course according to No 2 is the prerequisite for registration for the comprehensive examination according to No 1.
- (5) For the written and oral comprehensive examination of the Compulsory Module Private Law (Para 3 No 1) and the Compulsory Module Constitutional and Administrative Law (Para 4 No 1) the following applies:
1. The attempt at the oral part of the examination requires successful completion of the written part of the examination.
 2. The comprehensive examination is completed by positive assessment of both parts of the examination.
 3. If the oral part of the examination is failed, only this part is to be repeated.
 4. For the overall mark, the marks of both examination parts are added, divided by 2, and – if necessary – the result of the division is rounded to a whole mark; in that case, five tenths are to be rounded.
- (6) (The performance of the Compulsory Module Criminal Law (§ 8 No 9) is assessed
1. by a written comprehensive examination of the courses of § 8 No 9 lit a and b,
 2. by a course examination of the course according to § 8 No 9 lit c, for which course assessment is based on regular written and/or oral contributions by participants.
- For the course examination, the course lecturer shall specify which type of examination (written and/or oral contributions) and declare which assessment criteria will take place.
- Positive completion of the course according to No 2 is the prerequisite for registration for the comprehensive examination according to No 1.
- (7) The performance of the Compulsory Module Substantive Revenue Law (§ 8 No 10) is assessed by a written comprehensive examination of the courses of the compulsory modules.
- (8) The performance of the Compulsory Module Business Law (§ 8 No 11) is assessed
1. by an oral comprehensive examination of the courses according to § 8 No 11 lit a and lit b,

2. by a course examination of the course according to § 8 No 11 lit c.

The course examination assesses the knowledge and skills covered in the course in which course assessment is based on a single examination at the end of the course. For the course examination, the course lecturer shall specify which type of examination (written or oral) and declare which assessment criteria will take place.

- (9) For the modules in § 8 Para 1 No 12–17 and § 9 No 3–6, the examination regulations of the curriculum for the Bachelor's Programme Management and Economics at the School of Management and the Faculty of Economics and Statistics of the University of Innsbruck (University of Innsbruck Bulletin of 19 April 2007, Issue 23, No 186, in the relevant version) shall apply accordingly.

§ 12 Academic Degree

Graduates of the Bachelor's Programme Business Law are awarded the academic degree „Bachelor of Business Law“, abbreviated „LL.B. (Business Law)“.

§ 13 Coming into force

- (1) The curriculum is effective as of 1 October 2015
- (2) § 7 ceases to be effective as of 31 December 2015
- (3) § 7 in the version of the University of Innsbruck Bulletin of 21 June 2016, Issue 43, No. 487 comes into force on 1 October 2016 and is to be applied to all students commencing their study programme as of the 2016/2017 winter semester and to all students, who have not yet passed the courses of the studies induction and orientation stage according to the previous regulations.
- (4) § 8 no 1, no 3 and no 18, § 10 par. 1, § 11 par. 1, par. 3, par. 4, par. 6 and par. 8 and the appendix in the version of the University of Innsbruck Bulletin of 21 June 2016, Issue 43, No. 487 come into force on 1 October 2016 and are to be applied to all students.
- (5) § 8 par. 17 lit. a and b in the version of the University of Innsbruck Bulletin of 30 May 2017, Issue 42, No. 589 come into effect on 1 October 2017 and are to be applied to all students.
- (6) §7 par. 1 and par. 3, §8 no. 1218, §9 no. 6 as well as §10 par. 1 in the version of the University of Innsbruck Bulletin of 12 April 2019, Issue 36, No. 386 come into effect as of 1 October 2019 and are to be applied to all students.
- (7) The changes in the version of the University of Innsbruck Bulletin of 28 June 2019, Issue 69, No. 616 come into effect as of 1 October 2019 and are to be applied to all students.

§ 14 Transitional Provisions

- (1) This curriculum applies to all students starting the study programme from the winter semester 2015/16.
- (2) Regular students who have commenced the Diploma Programme Business Law, curriculum published in the University of Innsbruck Bulletin in the version of 25 June 2001, Issue 30, No 306, recently amended in the University of Innsbruck Bulletin in the version of 7 November 2012, Issue 6, No 55, at the University of Innsbruck before 1 October 2015 are entitled from this point in time onwards to complete the first section of this programme within a maximum of four semesters and the second section within a maximum of eight semesters.
- (3) If one section of the diploma programme is not completed within the specified time according to Para 2 then this curriculum of the Bachelor's Programme Business Law will apply. Moreover, according to Para 1, students are entitled to change to this curriculum at any time on a voluntary

basis.

- (4) The recognition of exams according to § 78 Para 1 University Organisation Act 2002 is set out in appendix 1 of this curriculum.
- (5) For students, who have started their study programme before the 2016/2017 winter semester, the limitation of ECTS-Credits that may be passed before completion of the studies induction and orientation stage according to §7 par. 3 in the version of the University of Innsbruck Bulletin of 21 June 2016, Issue 43, No. 487 is not to be applied before 30 November 2017. After that point in time more courses and examinations may only be taken after successful completion of the whole studies induction and orientation stage.
- (6) The already completed module “Fundamentals of Management: Strategy and Marketing” (7.5 ECTS-Credits) in the version of the University of Innsbruck Bulletin of 21 June 2017, Issue 44, No. 618 counts as elective module for the curriculum in the version of the University of Innsbruck Bulletin of 12 April 2019, Issue 36, No. 386.