



**FULL - TIME Master**

**MASTER IN INTERNATIONAL LAW**  
**Foreign Trade & International Relations**





The main purpose of the foundation of ISDE was to complete the education of the law graduates, with the aim to contribute to the society with lawyers with an excellent education and capable to respond with professionalism and integrity to the demands required by this profession in its different specialties.

ISDE has grown and developed, as well as its offer in Master Programmes and its commitment on preparing lawyers who will assume important responsibilities in the present society.

Message from the Chancellor of ISDE  
Mr. José Juan Pintó Ruiz

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## Letter from the Director of ISDE

### Mr. Juan José Sánchez Puig

The very etymology of the word Master embodies the philosophy underpinning ISDE's educational objective, where the student is the focal point and the absolute protagonist. All of our resources and efforts are focused on achieving this objective, which is to ensure that the student has mastered the subject matter by the end of the programme.

Partnerships with the leading figures in the world of law and business, a proven training method, the personal attention of the teaching and coordination team, and all of our technical and human resources are placed at the disposal of our students in our quest to ensure that the programmes achieve their utmost educational goals and make the time and effort devoted to them worth the while.

Throughout the years, we have striven and succeeded in ensuring that our students not only acquire the most up-to-date knowledge, but that they also accomplish their personal and professional development goals through the acquisition of skills and competencies that lay the foundation for a new stage in their careers.

The sum of the efforts of the ISDE and its students –without whose commitment the most qualified staff or technical resources would serve no purpose- has made us proud to see how those who trusted us with their training needs have gone on to enjoy highly successful careers and to occupy the senior positions they so brilliantly and so efficiently prepared themselves for.

Loyalty to the spirit and methods that have earned us the trust of thousands of students, and continuous upgrading and improvement of our training methods, have placed us at the forefront of our field, as evidenced by our performance in independent rankings.

The accomplishment of these objectives in recent years has driven us to never lose sight of the fact that our goal is the success of our students.

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Mr. Juan José Sánchez Puig  
Executive Director





## Introduction

Master in International Law Foreign Trade & International Relations is an international post-graduate Law degree for recent graduates in Law, lawyers who want to improve their law knowledge and practice in an increasingly global economy scenario and other persons with interest in developing their career in the international law framework. The applicants must be able to attend and dedicate one year to the program as a full-time student.

It is also mandatory for all the students to have an outstanding knowledge of the English language, as the whole master is fully taught in English.

Thinking globally is the aim of the Master in International Law: globalization and the economic crisis is making the practice of law become more international. Nowadays, even family businesses are likely to face complex issues involving employment and immigration law, international trade issues and sophisticated tax and health law regulations. Thus, the program is designed to appeal to both local and foreign students who wish to obtain a specialist qualification in international law, international relations and foreign trade. The knowledge of international law is important to graduates for different reasons: public international law has taken into account the effects of globalization and the necessity of protecting general and common international interests; the importance of the international community, and in consequence, of international relations and foreign trade.

The Master in International Law wants to reflect this broader perspective. In order to practice law with enough guarantees, it is necessary for the lawyer to acquire practical knowledge and the correct application of it. This learning mechanism can only be acquired in the centers which are in actual contact with the main local and international law firms.

With these simple but at the same time innovative principles, ISDE launches the Master in International Law. In addition to all the Companies and Law Firms that were already partners of this programme, it has now been enriched with the Academic Stay that will take place at the University of Columbia in New York. During the first part of the programme the Students will travel to receive an intensive training in American Law in the Columbia Law School in New York, where they will receive classes from America's more important specialists and will visit International Institutions and Law Firms settled in the city of New York. After this time spent in the United States the students will receive a certificate of attendance to this Academic training in Columbia University.



After more than 50 years in the practice of law, our experience has demonstrated that the new law graduates lack the grounding required in the Advocacy. ISDE noticed that there was not a big difference between the new law graduates and those who have complementary studies, since all of them lack practical education to face the clients and their problems.

Furthermore, it is demonstrated that the students who have an internship in a law firm after finishing their studies, quickly acquire the minimum necessary knowledge to face the legal practice.

For these reasons, we asked ourselves why most of the educational systems were failing when the professors, organization and methods were excellent. Our conclusion was clear: the formation acquired in a law firm guarantees a more correct professional preparation.

Consequently, it was necessary to reproduce this natural work system of the main law firms, improve it and finally to complement it with an internship period.

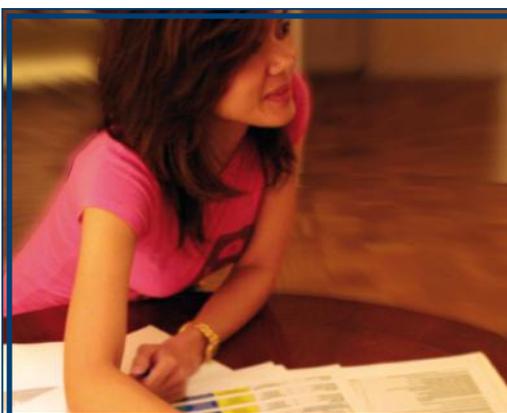
The Master in International Law was born with a clear objective: to transmit a mechanism of legal reasoning and consequently, a preparation in legal practice in all subjects, with the aim of gradually aspiring to specialization.

The student will also be instructed in international relations and foreign trade, necessary nowadays with the actual worldwide economic system.



**Mr. Vicente Sierra. Professor of the Master in International Law Partner of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer.**

*'Having the best training will increase your options being determinant to define your professional career. In this sense the Master in International Law because of the quality of its academic board, collaborators and professors is an excellent opportunity to complement the knowledge acquired previously at the University.'*



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## Methodology

ISDE has created a practical and an effective system, after several years working, based on learning through real cases and using the same methodology as a real lawyer. That is the reason why the education is provided both in the academic headquarters and in the law firms.

Thus what it is learned is the application of the law, the detection of legal problems, the legal reasoning and the appropriate draft claims.

Nevertheless this is only the first phase of the master; since in the second one the students have an internship in different prestigious law firms and national or international legal consultancies.

ISDE believes that the legal practice is not based on fictitious problems, but on real cases. This is why we have the best professionals: lawyers, lecturers, and economists, who make up a perfect team and understand each other perfectly.

## Program Schedule

The 1st phase takes place at our academic headquarters. The method is based on a combination of study of cases and case study.

The course will run from January 2017 to September 2017. During this period, the student attends lectures in Madrid.

The study of cases gives students a general approach to the different subjects of the program. At the same time this particular method develops students' agility for legal reasoning.

On the other hand, the case study consists in analyzing deeply and precisely, those particular aspects which are especially relevant in international legal practice.

This combined method aims at providing students with a work method which will allow them to face any kind of legal problem in future.

This specific program in International Law is completed by different common subjects that are essential for a lawyer and paying special attention to the international relations and foreign trade.

One week's teaching on the ISDE program in International Law, Foreign Trade & International Relations will take place at Columbia Law School, New York.

In the 2nd phase each student completes this phase at the premises of one of the collaborating entities of the master; under the conditions and rules set by those entities. For this reason, the schedule for the second phase is subject to further modifications.

The total duration of the program exceeds 1.200 hours.



## I. COMMERCIAL LAW

- I. International contracts.
- II. Bankruptcy law.
- III. Banking contracts and international financing.
- IV. Introduction to international stock-market
- V. International trade law. Joint ventures.
- VI. Intellectual property law. E-commerce law.
- VII. Competition law.
- VIII. International insurance contracts.

## 2. COMPANY LAW

- I. Corporation law and corporate governance.
- II. Company's directors: duties and liabilities.
- III. M & A transactions: mergers and acquisitions.
- IV. Listed companies: takeovers.
- V. Corporate real estate.

## 3. INTERNATIONAL TAX LAW

- I. Transfer pricing, international tax planning.
- II. International double taxation.
- III. Indirect Taxes

## 4. EMPLOYMENT LAW

- I. European Employment Law.
- II. Immigration.
- III. International hiring.

## 5. PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW

- I. The international regulatory framework of Law.
- II. Transport Regulations.
- III. Energy law.
- IV. Environmental law. International protection.
- V. Telecommunications law.
- VI. Tobacco Sector
- VII. Pharma Sector
- VIII. Consumer Goods

## 6. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES: LITIGATION AND ADRs- UK-US

- I. International judicial process and assistance.
- II. Alternative dispute resolution.
- III. International commercial arbitration.
- IV. Mediation. Conciliation and other ADRS.

## 7. CRIMINAL LAW

- I. Economic, financial and business criminal law.
- II. International criminal law: war crimes and crimes against Humanity.
- III. Cyber security

## 8. INTERNATIONAL FAMILY LAW

- I. International human rights rules referred to families and family life as well as private international law rules that affect families.
- II. Marriage, separation and divorce, child custody and adoption.
- III. Inheritance law.

## 9. FOREIGN TRADE

- I. Foreign Trade Law.
- II. International Economy and foreign affairs.
- III. Universal economic organization
- IV. General agreement on tariffs and trade
- V. Industrial development organization
- VI. Dispute settlement

## 10. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

- I. Society and international community.
- II. Theory of the international relations.
- III. International cooperation for development.
- IV. International contemporary conflicts.
- V. International cooperation. Foreign Politics
- VI. Foreign politics. International protocol.
- VII. Governmental bodies for foreign policy and International relations. Diplomacy. Consular affairs.

**\*The Academic Program is subject to modifications should ISDE Academic Team or the Director of the Master program consider it appropriated.**



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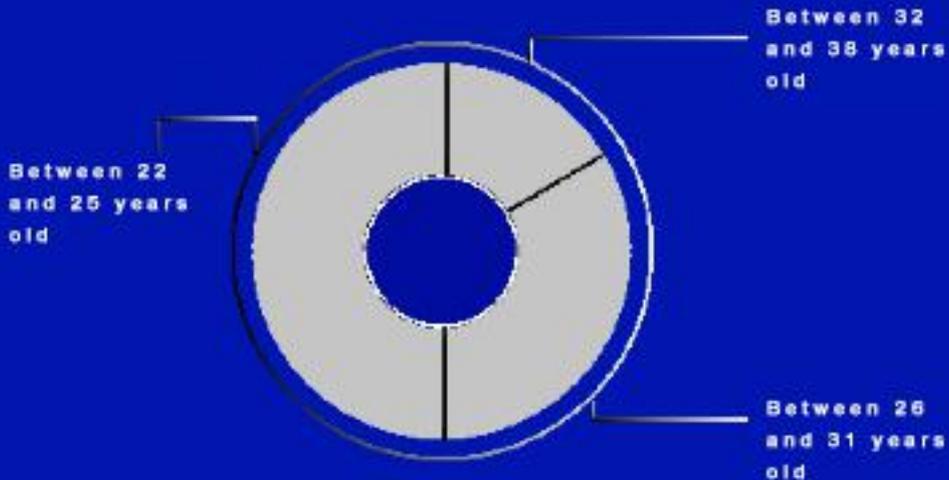


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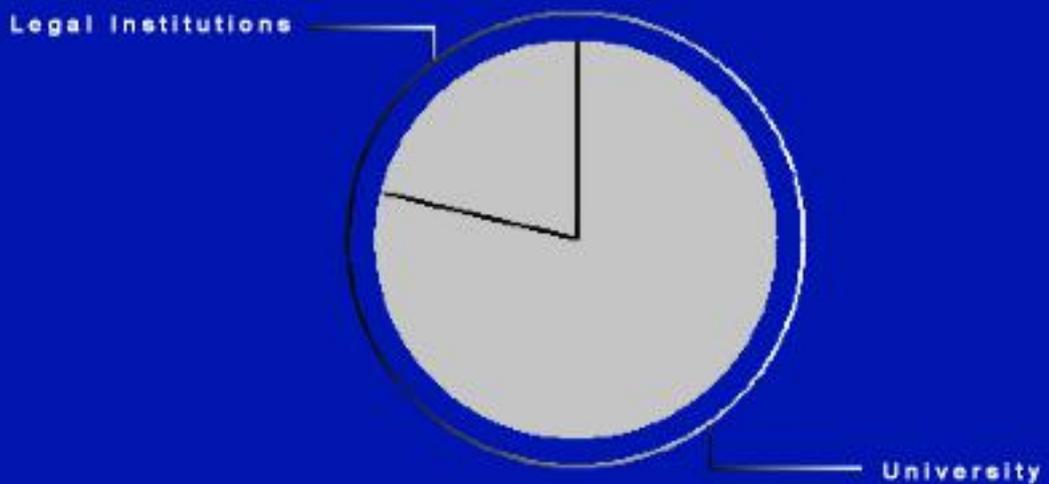


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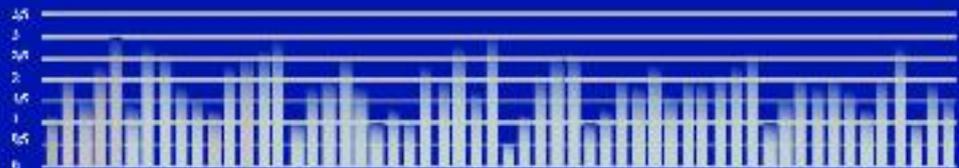
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SITUATION BEFORE THE MASTER



COLLABORATING INSTITUTIONS IN THE SECOND PHASE



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## Documentation

Applicants willing to participate in the Admission Process of the Master shall complete a Registration Form, and send it, fully completed, along with the following documentation:

- Curriculum vitae
- Copy of the University Degree
- Copy of the University transcripts or University results certificate (in case you have not finished your studies at the moment of application, please send us your current academic record)
- A minimum of one reference letter from someone who knows you from an academic or a working background
- Copy of the passport or other relevant identification document

These documents can be directly sent by email or by post, to the attention of the Admissions Department, to:

**6 Recoletos St.**  
**28001 Madrid, Spain**  
**[masters@isdemasters.com](mailto:masters@isdemasters.com)**

## Applying

Those applicants, who successfully meet the minimum entry requirements to join the course, shall also take the following tests on a later date:

- Motivation test
- Psychometric test
- Juridical skills exam
- English level exam

Prospective students are able to submit applications all year round. However, the Admissions Committee assesses the received applications twice a month and Applicants are informed immediately of the outcome of their application.

At the same time, if necessary, applicants can be asked to submit further information or documentation to clarify certain aspects of their academic and/or professional background. The Admissions Committee is also entitled to subject the acceptance of a certain applicant to a personal interview.

The number of the places available to study the Master is limited and applications will be dealt in strict order of inscription. We recommend a prompt application to the program.

## Location and Timetable

The first phase of the Master in International Law Trade & International Relations takes place in our Academic Headquarters in Madrid. The students are obliged to attend lectures everyday plus the additional classes that can take place during also the mornings. The students shall take practical cases and exams related to the classes they have each week. Furthermore, the students will visit different departments of the top law firms in Spain and other institutions and companies. These legal offices and institutions are partners to ISDE.

The second phase takes place in the law Firms, institutions or companies that have collaborated in teaching the program in the first phase. ISDE collaborates and works closely with institutions in the following countries: Spain, Portugal, France, Italy, UK, Switzerland, Norway, Sweden, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Netherlands, Poland, Canada, USA, Argentina, Chile, Brazil, Panama, Peru, Mexico, Costa Rica, etc. The criteria used to appoint the institution that will receive the student consists in a detailed case by case analysis of the academic performance of the student, personal profile, and the previous acceptance from the receiving institution of that particular student.



**MR. PAULINO FAJARDO.**  
*Professor of the Master in International Law  
Head of Davies Arnold Cooper's Insurance  
Group.*

*'The profile of the lecturers guarantees the students the acquisition of a deep Knowledge in comparative Law that will make them capable of working in a Globalized Legal environment'*



**MS. MARTA DELGADO.**  
*Professor of the Master in International Law  
Lawyer of Jones Day.*

*'The diversity of cultures of the students is fantastic. The program is*

*designed with a practical vision that prepares the student to put into practice his knowledge successfully in a firm or Company'*

**MS. MARIA DE LEÓN.**  
*Professor of the Master in International Law. Director of Communication of Pedro del Hierro and other several firms.*



*'For the students, studying Parallel areas of knowledge such as Etiquette is essential as it's a way of communicating certain aspects of your personality and very important to identify what to wear in every situation'*

**MS. BÁRBARA NAVARRO.**  
*Professor of the Master in International Law. Public Policy and Government Affairs Counsel of Google.*

*'The Master in International Law is an interesting, necessary and unique opportunity in Spain. We need professionals able to perform their activity regardless of frontiers'*



**MR. MIGUEL F. MIRABAL.**  
*Student of the Master in International Law.*

*'I strongly believe that the Master has been a wise investment for my career. The Professors, Staff and Student-Body are of the highest professional calibre and ranking. I have had the pleasure of meeting and working directly with some of the top legal minds in Europe'*



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