

# Regulation Governing the Double Degree Master Studies at the Faculty of Law of the University of Lucerne

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*The Dean,*

based on § 22 of the Study and Examination Regulations (Studien- und Prüfungsordnung, StuPO) of 28 September 2016 of the Faculty of Law of the University of Lucerne

*decrees:*

## A. Introduction

### § 1 Subject

<sup>1</sup> This Regulation governs the double degree master studies at the Faculty of Law of the University of Lucerne and the following partner faculties:

- University of Texas at Austin, School of Law
- University of Notre Dame, Law School
- Singapore Management University, School of Law
- University of Edinburgh, School of Law

<sup>2</sup> A double degree master study consists of the master study at the Faculty of Law of the University of Lucerne comprising 90 credits (Master of Law, MLaw) and a master study at one of the partner faculties (LL.M.).

### § 2 Legal Basis

<sup>1</sup> Insofar as this Regulation does not contain particular provisions, the Study and Examination Regulations (Studien- und Prüfungsordnung, StuPO) of 28 September 2016 and the Guidelines to Study and Examination Regulations of 12 December 2016 (Wegleitung zur Studien- und Prüfungsordnung) of the Faculty of Law of the University of Lucerne apply.

<sup>2</sup> The agreements with the partner faculties, enclosed in the annexes herewith, are applicable with regard to the admission to the master studies at those faculties. The respective rules and regulations of the partner faculties apply.

## B. Study

### § 3 Duration of Study

The standard duration of study for the double degree master is four semesters. The rules of § 23 StuPO 2016 are applicable for the completion of the Master of Law. In particular, 45 out of 90 credits must be obtained in graded elective subjects (§ 23 section 1 lit. a StuPO 2016).

### § 4 Recognition of Academic Achievements Obtained at the Partner Faculty

<sup>1</sup> A maximum of 30 credits from the academic achievements acquired at the partner faculty as part of the respective LL.M. can be recognised and accredited to the Master of Law study at the University of Lucerne. Presentation of the official transcript of records is mandatory (§ 22 section 2 sentence 1 StuPO 2016).

<sup>2</sup> The student proposes the academic achievements, which she or he wants to have recognised. Only legal subjects not already been taken at the University of Lucerne are subject to recognition.

<sup>3</sup> Academic achievements obtained neither at the University of Lucerne nor at the partner university cannot be recognised as part of the double degree studies.

## C. Enrolment and Admission

### § 5 Enrolment and Fees

<sup>1</sup> Enrolment at the University of Lucerne is mandatory for participation in the double degree master study.

<sup>2</sup> During the course of the master study at the partner faculty students are enrolled at both universities.

<sup>3</sup> The tuition fee is determined according to the provisions set out in the respective agreement with the partner faculty. Tuition fee waivers at the University of Lucerne follow the Information Sheet on Reduction, Waiver or Partial Payment of the Tuition Fee of 20 April 2017. Applications for waivers are to be sent to the Vice Rector for Teaching and International Relations – until 10 February for the spring semester and until 10 September for the fall semester.

#### § 6 Admission

<sup>1</sup> Students who have successfully passed the application procedure of the Faculty of Law can participate in the double degree master study.

<sup>2</sup> The admission is conditional upon final admission at the partner faculty.

#### § 7 Application Procedure

<sup>1</sup> The application procedure for participation in the double degree master study is carried out once per academic year. It usually takes place during the fall semester for the following academic year. The procedural modalities, in particular the deadlines and the responsible for submission of applications body, will be announced in due time through the Dean's Infomail.

<sup>2</sup> The admission to a double degree master study depends on the suitability of the applicant. The following criteria are decisive in the selection process:

- Academic achievements,
- Knowledge of the language of instruction,
- Specific motivation to study,
- Study-related additional qualifications and
- Specific admission conditions of the partner faculty.

<sup>3</sup> The selection committee of the Faculty of Law selects the students based on their written application and an individual interview. The interview is not mandatory.

<sup>4</sup> Students who do not complete the master study at the partner faculty within the timeframe for which they were admitted must submit a new application for a renewed admission to the double degree master study.

<sup>5</sup> There is no right to participate in the double degree master study.

<sup>6</sup> Students who have not succeeded in the application procedure remain in the regular master study.

### **D. Degree Awarded**

#### § 8 Title

<sup>1</sup> Upon completion of the double degree master study students will be awarded a Master of Law (MLaw) of the University of Lucerne.

<sup>2</sup> Academic achievements obtained at the partner faculty and recognised as part of the Master of Law will be listed as passed/failed in the Lucerne transcript of records.

<sup>3</sup> The partner university awards its own academic title.

### **E. Entry into force**

This Regulation enters into force on 1 August 2017.

Lucerne, 29 May 2017

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