

DEPARTMENT OF LAW



Master Programme in
European Economic Law



Stockholm
University



Photo: Andrey Popov

European Economic Law, 60 ECTS

Why European Union Law?

The European Union (EU) of today is the result of a bold and remarkably successful project of economic and political integration. With its 27 member states and approximately 450 million inhabitants, the Union is one of the world's largest economies, and thus a major trading partner and important actor on the international arena. The law of the European Union permeates ever growing areas of social and economic activity in the EU member states and affects directly economic operators as well as ordinary citizens. In-depth knowledge and understanding about the legal system and the functioning of the Union are therefore major assets for any law student who wants to develop professionally in the European Union. Also for lawyers working outside the borders of the Union, advanced knowledge of EU law can open exciting career opportunities and give an invaluable competitive advantage.

The master programme in European Economic Law at Stockholm University offers a unique opportunity to advance your career in a dynamic and highly relevant area of law, while staying in one of Europe's most beautiful cities.

Why the EEL programme?

Stockholm University is a vibrant academic centre for European legal studies. Faculty staff and postgraduate students carry out active research in many of the areas covered by the EEL programme. Within the auspices of the Faculty of Law is an Institute of European Law as well as a research section in European Commercial Law at the Stockholm Centre of Commercial Law. The Faculty also hosts the Swedish Network for European Legal Studies.

The EEL programme at Stockholm University has been offered for more than two decades now and has a well-established international reputation. The programme has through the years developed a distinctive profile with a blend of competition law, financial law and social law. The focus is on the law of the EU Internal Market, which is at the core of the European integration project. At the same time, the interplay between constitutional and economic law is also emphasized and studied.

The programme is run by a devoted academic team at the Faculty of Law at Stockholm University. Our objective is to enhance your ability to analyse, solve problems and think independently; qualities that are required in advanced international careers. To achieve this objective, we employ a rich variety of teaching methods, in which active student participation is the key.

SULaw

The Faculty of Law was founded in 1907 at what was then called Stockholm University College (Stockholms högskola). The Faculty was seen as an alternative to the more closed academic environments at the traditional universities.

The Faculty of Law is the largest law faculty in Sweden, both in number of researchers and students. Virtually all fields of law are represented. The Faculty has one single department, the Department of Law, or SULaw.



Photo: Stockholm University

Structure and Contents of the Programme

The Master programme in European Economic Law is a one-year advanced legal degree programme. The principal object of study is the legal system of the European Union, approached from an Internal Market perspective. The courses are taught by leading professors and researchers at Stockholm University, by internationally renowned guest professors, judges and advocate generals from the European Court of Justice, as well as leading Swedish practitioners.

The programme opens with a mandatory course in Advanced European Economic Law (15 ECTS), devoted to issues of constitutional and methodological character. This course is followed by an elective specialisation course (15 ECTS), where students are given the opportunity to broaden and deepen their knowledge in one of three cutting-edge areas of European Economic Law: EU Competition Law; The Internal Market - Digital and Social Challenges, or EU Banking and Financial Law. The courses are run by academics with their own research and experience in these fields.

In the second half of the programme, students take the course Legal Methods in Research and Practice (15 ECTS), which prepares them for skilled application of European economic law in both research and in legal practice. Students are engaged in interactive seminars and research workshops and participate in an annual Moot Court. Outstanding students are given the opportunity to represent the university in the European Moot Court Competition. Students also write an independent master thesis (15 ECTS) on a selected topic within the field of European economic law with the unique opportunity to publish high quality master theses in the form of an article in the specialized Swedish journal *Europarättsligt tidskrift, ERT*.

The programme uses a variety of teaching formats, emphasises student participation in the learning process, and provides opportunities for students to apply theory in moot courts and other practical exercises. Teaching takes place in small groups, where students are challenged to explore various ways to identify legal problems and generate solutions. Throughout the programme, the objective is to develop students' ability to work with EU sources of law and methods of interpretation in order to analyse complex problems in European economic law. The case law developed by the European Court of Justice is given particular attention. Students from the programme also have the opportunity to engage in EU law seminars and international conferences organised by the different research institutes and centres at the Faculty.

The programme also offers a highly appreciated week-long study trip to Luxemburg and Brussels with visits to the European Court of Justice, the Commission, the European Parliament and leading Brussel law firms. The study trip gives students an insider view on the state of European law unlike any other master's programme.

A bridge to a successful career

The strategic positioning of the programme in the Swedish capital creates good opportunities for cooperation with leading law firms, government institutions and Swedish-based European agencies, where students from the programme make study visits and establish contacts that help promote their future professional careers.

The programme graduates have indeed been very successful in finding attractive job opportunities all around in the world, with a special focus on Europe. Many of our alumni occupy prominent positions in European institutions like the Commission and the Court, Swedish and foreign universities, public agencies like the Swedish Competition Agency and the Swedish National Board of Trade and leading law firms. We are particularly happy that some of our alumni return to the programme as teachers and tutors.

Applying for our LL.M.s

Eligibility

Besides proving their English proficiency, applicants must hold an LL.B. or equivalent undergraduate degree with a minimum of 180 ECTS in law. Applicants on the last year of such a degree can also apply. Each LL.M. also has a specific academic entry requirement. Please see our web page for more specific information.

Application

Our only application round is open between mid-October and mid-January every year.

Applications must be submitted through the national Swedish application web site University Admissions where students must document their eligibility for the chosen programme, and upload all the

documents required for the selection process.

Supporting documents

In their applications, students are required to upload the following :

- Copy of diploma + transcript
- Proof of English proficiency
- Statement of purpose
- Two letters of recommendation
- CV

Selection

Eligible applicants are selected on the basis of a weighted assessment of grades from earlier legal studies, relevant extra-curricular/professional experiences, one personal statement and two letters of recommendation. Typically, grades from legal studies and extra-curricular/professional experiences carry most weight.

Contact Information

Programme Directors

Professor Antonina Bakardjieva
Engelbrekt

Associate Professor Jaan Paju

Office of International Affairs

E-mail: master@juridicum.su.se

Visiting Address

Universitetsvägen 10C,
Campus Frescati, Stockholm

Tel +46 8 16 20 00 (Switchboard)



Antonina Bakardjieva Engelbrekt



Jaan Paju



[instagram.com/su_juridicum](https://www.instagram.com/su_juridicum)



[youtube.com/Stockholmsuniv](https://www.youtube.com/Stockholmsuniv)



<https://www.linkedin.com/in/ll-m-programmes-at-stockholm-university-238567109/>

Photo front cover: Jorgen Hendriksen on Unsplash



Stockholm
University