



DIPLOMATIC ACADEMY OF VIETNAM FACULTY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

BACHELOR IN INTERNATIONAL LAW

Faculty of International Law

Room: D609 – D614

Email: khoaluatquocte@dav.edu.vn

PROGRAM'S OBJECTIVES

The bachelor's program in International Law is designed as a career-oriented program with the aim to provide high-quality human resources to meet social needs in the field of international law (and law in general), focusing on the enhancement of employability of students by preparing students with the capacity of adaptability in the era of global integration.

The Program's objective is to train students to have solid knowledge and expertise in international law and Vietnamese laws in order to work in the field of international law, Vietnamese laws or law in general. Students will develop sufficient general and legal professional skills together with information technology capacity and the ability of self-study to work in the legal sectors and develop future careers as well as a spirit of lifelong learning. Proficiency in at least one foreign language to enable students to work in an international environment is also one of the objectives. The Program emphasizes the development of professional ethics and the spirit of social responsibility for the students.

PROGRAM'S LEARNING OUTCOMES (PLOs)

After completing the bachelor's program in International Law, students will be expected to achieve the following learning outcomes:

PLO code	PLO description	Level
Knowledge <i>(based on Bloom's taxonomy: 1-Remembering; 2-Understanding; 3-Applying; 4-Analyzing; 5-Evaluating; 6-Creating)</i>		
PLO1	Understand foundational knowledge of philosophy, political economy, sociology, law, the Party policies, and national defense and security as a basis for developing a scientific worldview and analytical approach to international, domestic, and legal issues.	2/6
PLO2	Apply knowledge of international relations, including international politics, economics, and communication, to develop an inter-and trans-disciplinary understanding of legal issues.	3/6
PLO3	Analyze legal issues arising from the relations between states, international organizations and other subjects of international relations from the perspectives of international law such as the issues of concluding and implementing treaties, maritime activities, conflict or international trade.	4/6
PLO4	Apply relevant Vietnamese laws to resolve legal issues arising from the relations between natural and legal persons and other legal subjects from the perspectives of Vietnamese laws such as those related to constitutions, contracts, enterprises, intellectual property.	3/6
PLO5	Analyze legal issues arising from trans-boundary activities between private actors with foreign elements such as the conflict of law and conflict of jurisdiction..	4/6
Skills <i>(based on Dave's taxonomy: 1-Imitation; 2-Manipulation; 3-Precision; 4-Articulation; 5-Naturalization)</i>		
PLO6	Master skills in researching and providing legal advice on issues under international law and Vietnamese law, including the ability to analyze factual situations, identify legal issues, locate relevant laws, interpret and apply legal provisions, construct legal arguments, and produce professional legal writing.	4/5
PLO7	Demonstrate argument skills, skills to criticize, writing, presentation, communication and teamwork skills; as well as adaptability, openness to new ideas, and integration in a multicultural environment.	3/5
PLO8	Develop negotiation, contracting, implementation, and dispute resolution skills in relation to parties involved in treaties and contracts.	3/5

PLO9	Integrate foreign language proficiency (at least at Level B2 on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, or an equivalent international standard) into reading, translating, synthesizing information, writing reports, and presenting specialized knowledge in international law.	4/5
PLO10	Demonstrate a sufficient capacity in respect of digital skills in order to take advantage of developments in information technology such as AI to enhance productivity in studying and working.	3/5
Self-reliance and responsibility outcomes <i>(based on Krathwohl's taxonomy: 1-Receiving; 2-Responding; 3-Valuing; 4-Organization; 5-Characterization by value set)</i>		
PLO11	Develop international legal professional ethics, respect for laws, human rights and citizen rights, and the sense of discipline, and the spirit of civic responsibility and cooperation.	4/5
PLO12	Integrate autonomy and lifelong learning through self-study, self-research, and proactive accumulation of experience to continuously enhance professional competence and adaptability in diverse working environments.	4/5

PROGRAM'S STRUCTURE AND CONTENT

1. General structure

	Modules	Number of credits	Number of compulsory credits	Number of elective credits
1	General knowledge	13	13	
2	Foreign language knowledge	24	15	09
3	Complementary knowledge	09		09
4	Professional knowledge and skills	69	40	29
	- General professional knowledge	06	06	
	- Foundational professional knowledge	34	25	09
	- Specialized professional knowledge	21	09	12
	- Skills	08		08
5	Career orientation and graduation knowledge	12	12	
Total of credits		127	80	47

2. Program's content

2.1. General knowledge: 13 credit points*

	Course unit title	Course unit code	Credit points	Language of instruction
1	Marxist-Leninist Philosophy	FC.001.03	03	Vietnamese
2	Marxist-Leninist Political Economy	FC.002.02	02	Vietnamese
3	Scientific Socialism	FC.003.02	02	Vietnamese
4	Ho Chi Minh's Ideology	FC.004.02	02	Vietnamese
5	History of Vietnamese Communist Party	FC.005.02	02	Vietnamese
6	Research Methodology	IL.001.02	02	Vietnamese
7	<i>Digital Competence*</i>	IT.002.02	02	Vietnamese
8	<i>Physical Education*</i>	<i>AAD.001.03</i>	<i>03</i>	Vietnamese
9	<i>National Defence Education*</i>	<i>AAD.002.08</i>	<i>08</i>	Vietnamese

**Excluding credits of courses of Digital Competence, Physical education, National Defence Education.*

2.2. Foreign language knowledge: 24 credit points

Students can attend classes with appropriate level (beginner, intermediate and advanced) and choose (with conditions*) 01 language (first foreign language: 24 credits) or 02 languages (first foreign language: 15 credits and second foreign language: 09 credits).

	Course unit title	Credit points	Language of instruction
1	First foreign language	24 or 15	First foreign language
2	Second foreign language	0 or 09	Second foreign language
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Students can choose one of 5 languages as their first foreign language: English, Chinese, French, Japanese, or Korean; and one of the following languages as a second foreign language: English, Chinese, French, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, or German.</i> <i>(*) Only students with an intermediate level and above in their first foreign language can choose to learn a second foreign language. Students with beginner level have to complete 24 credits of their first foreign language.</i> 			

(See more in the Appendix of the Foreign Language Teaching Framework Program).

2.3. Complementary knowledge: 09 credit points

Students are allowed to select 03 courses in the following list. The courses of complementary knowledge have to be completed before Semester VII.

	Course unit title	Course unit code	Credit points	Language of instruction
1	Diplomatic Services	IR.025.03	03	Vietnamese
2	Contemporary History of International Relations	IR.005.03	03	Vietnamese
3	Vietnam's Foreign Policy	IR.046.03	03	Vietnamese
4	Introduction to International Communication	IC.061.03	03	Vietnamese
5	Cultural Diplomacy	IC.010.03	03	Vietnamese
6	International Economic Relations	IE.006.03	03	Vietnamese
7	International Business	IE.042.03	03	Vietnamese
8	Intercultural Communication	E.035.03	03	English

2.4. Professional knowledge and skills: 69 credit points

	Course unit title	Course unit code	Credit points	Language of instruction
<i>a. General professional knowledge: 06 credit points</i>				
1	Theories of Law and Vietnam's Legal System	IL.002.03	03	Vietnamese
2	Constitutional laws of Viet Nam and other countries	IL.003.03	03	Vietnamese
<i>b. Foundational professional knowledge: 34 credit points</i>				
<i>Students are required to complete 34 credits of general professional knowledge courses, including 25 compulsory credits (09 courses) and 09 elective credits (03 courses)</i>				
Compulsory: 25 credit points				
1	Public International Law I	IL.056.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
2	Public International Law II	IL.057.02	02	Vietnamese/ English
3	Private International Law	IL.004.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
4	International Economic Law	IL.007.03	03	Vietnamese/ English

5	Vietnam's Civil Law I	IL.058.02	02	Vietnamese
6	Vietnam's Civil Law II	IL.059.03	03	Vietnamese
7	Vietnam's Commercial Law	IL.015.03	03	Vietnamese
8	Vietnam's Criminal Law	IL.011.03	03	Vietnamese
9	Vietnam's Administrative Law	IL.018.03	03	Vietnamese
Elective: 09 credit points				
1	Vietnam's Contract Law	IL.012.03	03	Vietnamese
2	Vietnam's Company Law	IL.013.03	03	Vietnamese
3	Vietnam's Investment Law	IL.014.03	03	Vietnamese
4	Vietnam's Intellectual Property Law	IL.016.03	03	Vietnamese
5	Vietnam's Labour Law	IL.017.03	03	Vietnamese
6	Vietnam's Civil Procedure Law	IL.010.03	03	Vietnamese
7	Comparative Law	IL.006.03	03	Vietnamese
8	Vietnam's Environmental Law	IL.053.03	03	Vietnamese
<i>c. Compulsory specialized international law knowledge: 09 credit points</i>				
1	Sources of International Law	IL.048.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
2	International Law of the Sea	IL.025.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
3	Settlement of International Disputes	IL.027.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
<i>d. Elective specialized international law knowledge: 12 credits points</i>				
<i>Students are allowed to select the following courses to complete 12 credits (04 courses). Lecturers and academic advisers of the Faculty will advise students to select appropriate courses.</i>				
<i>Elective courses are subjected to modification and complementation by the Faculty based on students' and society's needs as well as lecturers' availability.</i>				
1	International Human Rights Law	IL.023.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
2	Law of International Organizations	IL.024.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
3	Diplomatic and Consular Law	IL.028.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
4	International Environmental Law	IL.026.03	03	Vietnamese/ English

5	International Water Resources Law and Mekong Issues	IL.041.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
6	International Humanitarian Law	IL.043.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
7	International Criminal Law	IL.042.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
8	WTO Law	TL.022.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
9	International Investment Law	IL.029.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
10	International Intellectual Property Law	IL.031.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
11	International Commercial Arbitration	IL.032.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
12	International Business Law	IL.033.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
13	EU Law	IL.044.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
14	New-Generation Free Trade Agreements	IL.045.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
15	International Law on Border - Territory	IL.060.03	03	Vietnamese/ English
16	ASEAN Law	IL.061.03	03	Vietnamese/ English

e. Skills: 08 credit points

Students are allowed to select the following courses to complete 08 credits (04 courses). Lecturers and academic advisers of the Faculty will advise students to select appropriate courses.

Elective courses are subjected to modification and complementation by the Faculty based on students' and society's needs as well as lecturers' availability.

1	Advocacy and Mooting Skills	IL.034.02	02	Vietnamese
2	Text Drafting Techniques	IR.024.02	02	Vietnamese
3	Skills of Negotiating and Concluding Treaties	IL.046.02	02	Vietnamese
4	Legal Counseling and Lawyering Skills	IL.047.02	02	Vietnamese
5	Legal Reasoning and Writing Skills	IL.055.02	02	Vietnamese

2.5. Internship and Graduation: 12 credit points**

	Course unit title	Course unit code	Credit points	Language of instruction
1	<i>Career Orientation</i>	AAD.037.02	02	Vietnamese
2	<i>Internship</i>	IL.038.03	03	Vietnamese
Based on students' academic performance, their capabilities, the availability of academic supervisors, students can either submit graduation thesis or complete additional courses:				
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Graduation thesis• Or completing equivalent specialised courses***	IL.039.12	12	Vietnamese/ English

** *Excluding credits of Career Orientation and Internship.*

*** *Students are allowed to select courses in Elective specialized knowledge that they have not studied in previous semesters.*