



# DIPLOMATIC ACADEMY OF VIETNAM FACULTY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

## BACHELOR IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND BUSINESS LAW

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### PROGRAM'S OBJECTIVES

The Bachelor Program in International Trade and Business Law is designed as an oriented program aimed at preparing high-quality human resources to meet the growing demand for legal expertise in the fields of international trade, business transactions, and global economic integration. The Program focuses on enhancing the employability and adaptability of graduates in a rapidly evolving international trade and business environment shaped by globalization, digitalization, and complex trade governance.

The Program's objective is to equip students with a solid foundation in international trade law, international business law, and Vietnamese business law, combined with competencies in information technology and proficiency in at least one foreign language. Students will also be equipped with essential legal research skills, analytical abilities, and problem-solving capacities to address legal issues arising in cross-border trade. The Program also fosters the ability to engage in independent learning and continuous professional development to meet the demands of a dynamic legal and business environment. In addition, the Program emphasizes the cultivation of professional ethics, integrity, and social responsibility, ensuring that graduates can contribute meaningfully to sustainable and responsible business practices in both domestic and international contexts. The basic foundational knowledge and skills will help students to work in various legal and business settings, including law firms, corporations, governmental agencies, international organizations, and trade-related institutions.

## 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
<b>Knowledge outcomes</b> <i>(based on Bloom's taxonomy: 1-Remembering; 2-Understanding; 3-Applying; 4-Analyzing; 5-Evaluating; 6-Creating)</i>		
PLO1	Explain essential concepts of philosophy, politics, security, national defense, economics, international relations, business and law that form the interdisciplinary foundation for understanding international trade and business law.	2/6
PLO2	Apply fundamental principles, frameworks, and regulatory instruments of international trade and business law, and Vietnam's business law relevant to trade and business activities.	3/6
PLO3	Analyze practical legal issues arising in international trade and business transactions with the involvement of Vietnam.	4/6
PLO4	Identify legal issues arising in international trade and business transactions in Vietnam with foreign elements.	3/6
PLO5	Analyze legal issues emerging from cross-border business activities involving private actors and foreign elements	4/6
<b>Skill outcomes</b> <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 trade and business law and Vietnam's business law, including the ability to analyze cases, identify legal issues, conduct legal research, interpret and apply the law, construct arguments, and engage in legal writing.	4/5
PLO7	Develop skills in critical thinking, reasoning, writing and presentation; communication, collaboration, and teamwork; as	3/5

	well as the ability to recognize and adapt to changes, embrace new ideas, and integrate effectively in a multicultural environment.	
PLO8	Develop negotiation, contracting, implementation, and dispute resolution skills in relation to parties involved in international trade and business law.	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 trade and business law.	4/5
PLO10	Demonstrate sufficient digital competence to utilize information technologies, including AI-based tools, for legal research, data analysis, and the enhancement of professional productivity in international trade and business law.	3/5
<b>Self-reliance and responsibility outcomes</b> <i>(based on Krathwohl's taxonomy: 1-Receiving; 2-Responding; 3-Valuing; 4-Organization; 5-Characterization by value set)</i>		
PLO11	Demonstrate international legal professional ethics, civic responsibility, respect for laws, human rights and citizen rights, a 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

No.	Modules	Credit points	Compulsory credit points	Elective credit points
1	<b>General knowledge</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	
2	<b>Foreign language knowledge</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	
3	<b>Complementary knowledge</b>	<b>09</b>		<b>09</b>
4	<b>Professional knowledge &amp; Skills</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>29</b>
	General professional knowledge	06	06	
	Foundational professional knowledge	25	16	09
	Specialized professional knowledge	30	18	12
	Skills	08		08
6	<b>Career orientation and graduation knowledge</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	
<b>Total of credits</b>		<b>121</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>38</b>

### 2. Program's content

#### 2.1. General knowledge: 13 credit points\*

No.	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 the Communist Party of Vietnam	FC.005.02	02	Vietnamese
6	Research methodology	IL.001.02	02	Vietnamese
7	<i>Digital Competency</i>	IT.001.02	02	Vietnamese
8	<i>Physical Education</i>	<i>AAD.001.03</i>	<i>03</i>	Vietnamese
9	<i>National Defense 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 choose one of 5 languages: English, Chinese, French, Japanese, Korean. Depending on their entry proficiency level, students can start at either beginner or intermediate level.

(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.

	<b>Course unit title</b>	<b>Course unit code</b>	<b>Credit points</b>	<b>Language of instruction</b>
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

No.	Course unit title	Course unit code	Credit points	Language of instruction
<b>a. General professional knowledge: 06 credit points</b>				
1	Theories of Law and Vietnam's Legal System	IL.002.03	03	Vietnamese
2	Constitutional laws of Vietnam and other countries	IL.003.03	03	Vietnamese
<b>b. Foundational professional knowledge: 25 credit points</b>				
<i>Students are required to complete 25 credits of fundamental professional knowledge modules, including 16 compulsory credits (06 courses) and 09 elective credits (03 courses)</i>				
<b>Compulsory: 16 credits</b>				
1	Public International Law	IL.056 .03	03	Vietnamese
2	Private International Law I	TL.021.02	02	Vietnamese
3	Private International Law II	TL.022.03	03	Vietnamese
4	International Business Law	IL.033.03	03	Vietnamese
5	Vietnam's Civil Law I	IL.058.02	02	Vietnamese
6	Vietnam's Civil Law II	IL.059.03	03	Vietnamese
<b>Elective: 09 credits</b>				
1	Vietnam's Customs Law	TL.039.03	03	Vietnamese
2	Vietnamese Law on E-Commerce	TL.038.03	03	Vietnamese
3	Comparative Contract Law	IL.014.03	03	Vietnamese
4	Vietnam's Civil Procedure Law	IL.010.03	03	Vietnamese
5	Vietnam's Competition Law	IL.054.03	03	Vietnamese
6	Vietnam's Labour Law	IL.017.03	03	Vietnamese
<b>c. Specialized International Trade and Business Law knowledge: 30 credits points</b>				

*Students must complete 30 credits of specialized professional knowledge, including 18 compulsory credits (6 courses) and 12 elective credits (4 courses). Academic advisors and faculty supervisors will guide students in selecting suitable specializations and courses. Elective courses may be adjusted and supplemented based on students' demand, societal needs, and the faculty's staff availability.*

**Compulsory specialized international trade and business law knowledge: 18 credits**

1	WTO Law	TL.023.03	03	Vietnamese
2	Vietnam and International Investment Law	TL.039.03	03	Vietnamese
3	Settlement of International Trade Disputes	TL.026.03	03	Vietnamese
4	Comparative Enterprise Law	TL.024.03	03	Vietnamese
5	Intellectual Property Law	TL.025.03	03	Vietnamese
6	Settlement of International Investment Disputes	TL.037.03	03	Vietnamese

**Elective specialized international trade and business law knowledge: 12 credits**

*Students must select four courses to complete 12 elective credits (4 courses) from the list below. Academic advisors and lecturers will guide students in choosing courses that align with their academic, research, and career goals. Elective courses may be adjusted and supplemented based on student demand, societal needs, and availability of the faculty's staff.*

1	Law on International Trade in Goods	TL.032.03	03	Vietnamese
2	Law on International Trade in Services	TL.033.03	03	Vietnamese
3	Trade Remedies	TL.034.03	03	Vietnamese
4	International Commercial Arbitration	IL.032.03	03	Vietnamese
5	Vietnam's Bilateral Investment Treaties	TL.011.03	03	Vietnamese

6	Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG)	TL.014.03	03	Vietnamese
7	Customary International Commercial Law	TL.015.03	03	Vietnamese
8	New – Generation Free Trade Agreements	IL.045.03	03	Vietnamese
9	Law on International Transport	TL.035.03	03	Vietnamese
10	International Economic Organizations	TL. 042.03	03	Vietnamese
11	International Tax Law	TL. 043.03	03	Vietnamese
<p><b><i>e. Skills: 08 credit points</i></b></p> <p><i>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.</i></p>				
1	Advocacy and Mooting Skills	IL.034.02	02	Vietnamese
2	Text Drafting Techniques	IR.024.02	02	Vietnamese
3	Negotiation and Conclusion of International Commercial Contracts	TL.038.02	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\*\****

	<b>Course unit title</b>	<b>Course unit code</b>	<b>Credit points</b>	<b>Language of instruction</b>
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"><li>• Graduation thesis</li><li>• Or completing equivalent specialised courses***</li></ul>	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.**