Legal Studies

The first Greek state University where programmes of study are taught exclusively in English
IHU at a glance

• The first Greek state University where the teaching and student administration of its programmes of study are exclusively in English

• Located in Thessaloniki, a vibrant student city at the crossroads of SE Europe with the Eastern Mediterranean

• International teaching faculty from 14 countries

• International student body from 21 countries (2013 Intake*)

• One-year programmes in full-time mode or two years part time

• Flexible programmes in executive mode (Friday afternoon - Sunday)

• Internationally oriented Careers Office

• As a Greek state University, all degrees awarded are accredited by the Government and are recognised in the European Union and internationally

• Scholarship Programme - Academic Excellence Awards

• Strong links with the world of business and industry

* 2013 Intake students' origin: Albania, Belgium, Cyprus, fYRoM, Georgia, Germany, Italy, Kosovo – UNMIK, Lithuania, Malta, Palestine, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Sudan, Turkey, UK, Ukraine, USA and Greece
This is the eighth year of the International Hellenic University’s existence. During this period, the IHU has created ten post graduate programmes, fresh, dynamic and forward-looking.

The programmes are taught in an academic environment where the knowledge is researched, the knowledge is taught, the knowledge is disseminated within and outside Greece.

Our primary target from the first instance has been academic excellence. How to achieve this was and is the major task and challenge as it involves the human element. How to recruit those with the greatest potential; to motivate them; to inspire them. Not only the academics but also the administrators and professionals, to work with dedication and harmony towards the goal of excellence, each in his or her own capacity. I believe we have accomplished a lot here.

Those elements, however, are only part of the equation. Another lively part of the equation are the students, our partners in the knowledge process. We have been privileged to recruit very promising students, who have become very able graduates of the university, from thirty countries during these years. With their positive experience and feedback, we are now in an even better position to continue to expand the numbers of international students coming from outside Greece and this is a goal we are committed to.

The final part of the equation is the wider community, the end recipient of our services. We have focused on academic excellence and on our students. Now we are in a position to show our third partner, the wider community, what we have achieved and what more we can do in partnership.

I am delighted to say that this year the three Schools were evaluated by teams of External Experts in accordance with the HQAA Law 3374/2005. The results and comments were indeed encouraging and enthusiastic. We are determined to maintain the high standards praised by the External Evaluators and take them even higher.

It is my privilege to invite you to read the pages before you, either as a potential student or as a potential recruiter of our graduates, either as a parent or as someone who will be happy to see proof that positive developments are always taking place in our societies.

With my best wishes,

Professor
Costas Th. Grammenos
CBE, DSc
INNOVATIVE CANCER TREATMENT LTD, CLAIMANT
v.
HOPE HOSPITAL, RESPONDENT

Presiding:
Prof. Dr. Dres. h.c. Herbert Kronke

Co-Arbitrators:
Prof. Dr. Athanassios Kaisiss
Dr. Friedrich Rosenfeld
Who we are

The International Hellenic University (IHU) was established by Law No. 3391 in October 2005 and is based in Thessaloniki, Greece. The IHU is Greece’s first state university where all programmes of study and student administration procedures are exclusively in English.

Our philosophy is based upon the following three concepts:

- Academic excellence
- Practical relevance
- International outlook

With backing from the Greek State and the regional business community, the IHU aims to develop as one of Europe’s leading research and academic institutions.

It already attracts a strong international academic faculty and outstanding students from Southeast and other European and Black Sea countries.

We draw from, and build upon, the uniqueness of our multicultural student body while preparing students for the challenges of a rapidly changing global society.
Our Mission

Our strategic mission is threefold:

• Provide research and education that meet the needs of the international community.

• Enhance understanding of the economic, socio-political and technological issues facing the societies we serve, through teaching and research of the highest academic standard.

• Create an international and diverse student and faculty community to foster greater understanding between cultures and nations.

The Academic Faculty

The IHU draws on a pool of international and national visiting faculty of the highest standards, comprising instructors from top Universities from Greece, Europe and the USA.
Dr. Dr. h.c. Spiros Simitis, Emeritus Professor of Labour and Civil Law, Computer Science and Law was awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the International Hellenic University, 29th May 2013

International Commercial Arbitration Moot Court: Prof. Dr. Dres. h.c. Herbert Kronke, Prof. Dr. Athanassios Kaissis, Dr. Friedrich Rosenfeld, Academic Staff of the IHU, LL.M. and other Participants
Legal Studies

The need for postgraduate studies in specialised areas of law has emerged in many professional fields outside the legal profession per se that require more focused legal expertise.

Legal studies at the IHU are designed to offer a thorough understanding of the theory and practice of Law in cutting edge topics through an interdisciplinary approach designed to suit both law graduates and practitioners and other professionals in related fields.

The main areas covered in the legally oriented programmes offered at the International Hellenic University are: Protection of Cultural Property and Heritage, Protection of Intellectual Property Rights, Transnational and European Law, International Arbitration and Investment Law, Transnational Commercial Law, European Economic Law, Alternative Dispute Resolution (Arbitration and Mediation) and Energy Law. Further to these, the legal aspects of other subject areas are covered in individual courses offered on other programmes of study in all three Schools.

The IHU legal programmes attract a diverse mix of recent graduates and experienced legal practitioners but also business professionals and managers as well as international students from various fields, all of whom bring their varying perspectives.

Currently the following innovative postgraduate programmes are offered:

- LL.M. in Transnational & European Commercial Law, Mediation, Arbitration & Energy Law
- MA in Art, Law and Economy

Both programmes are offered in executive mode, i.e., courses are taught over long weekends twice a month. The duration of both programmes is fourteen (14) months (Master’s Dissertation included).

Scientific Director:

Professor Dr. Athanassios Kaissis

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki Law School

Member of the Governing Board, International Hellenic University

Corresponding Fellow of the Institute for Foreign Law, International Law, Comparative Law, Conflicts of Law and International Business Law, University of Heidelberg
The courses are taught by a team of international and Greek experts from the fields of protection of cultural property and heritage, protection of intellectual property rights, transnational and European law, international arbitration, energy and investment law.

**Faculty**

- **Professor Dr. Athanassios Kaissis**  
  Professor of Law

- **Stavroula Angoura, LL.M.**  
  Dr. in spe, Attorney-at-law  
  Academic Associate

- **Dr. iur. Komninos Komnios**  
  Attorney-at-law  
  Academic Associate

**Visiting Faculty**

- **Prof. Dr. Anastasia Alexiou-Grammatikaki**  
  Professor, Law School  
  Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

- **Prof. Dr. Guido Carducci**  
  Law Professor (Maître de Conférences, HDR), Arbitrator, Counsel in International Arbitration and Litigation, Paris, France

- **Ass. Prof. Dr. Aggelos Kornilakis**  
  Law School, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

- **Prof. Dr. Gilles Cuniberti**  
  Professor of Private International Law and Comparative Law, University of Luxemburg, Luxemburg

**Academic Staff**

- [www.ihu.edu.gr/legal](http://www.ihu.edu.gr/legal)

**IHU Week Conference:**

“Impediments and Aspects of Mediation”
Dr. Eleni Korka
Archaeologist and Director of Ephorate of Private Archaeological Collections in the Ministry of Culture and Sports, Athens, Greece

Prof. Dr. Lambros Kotsiris
Professor of Law Emer.
Law School,
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki,
Member of Athens Academy, Greece

Prof. Dr. Dres. h.c. Herbert Kronke
Professor for Private Law,
Commercial Law and Private International Law
University of Heidelberg, Germany

Prof. Dr. Peter Lynen
Professor, Cologne University of Music and Dance
Director of the Center of International Arts Management, Cologne, Germany

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German lawyer, LL.M., Member of the Executive Committee of the German Institution of Arbitration (D.I.S.), Cologne, Germany

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Director of the Walther-Schuecking-Institute for International Law

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Lawyer
Former 1st Vice Chairman Regulatory Authority for Energy, Greece

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Vice-Rector of the Heidelberg University Professor of Law, University of Heidelberg, Germany

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German Lawyer, Hanefeld Rechtsanwälte, Hamburg, Germany

Dr. Irini Stamatoudi
Lawyer, Director of the Hellenic Intellectual Property Organisation, Athens, Greece

Prof. Dr. Anna Veneziano
Professor of Comparative Law, University of Peramo Deputy Secretary General of the UNIDROIT, Rome, Italy

Prof. Dr. Marilena Vecco
Assistant Professor of Cultural Economics, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Department for the Study of the Arts and Culture, The Netherlands

Dr. Yaniv Benhamou
Lecturer in Intellectual Property, Information Technologies and Media Law, Swiss University of Applied Science, Switzerland

Dr. Marc Weber
LL.M. (Berkeley), Tep Partner at Lanter Attorneys-At-Law, Zurich, Switzerland

Prof. Dr. Ekkehart Reimer
Chair for Public Law, European and International Tax Law, University of Heidelberg, Germany

Dr. Georgios Matsos
LL.M., Legal Expert in Tax law, Matsos & Associates, Thessaloniki, Greece
LL.M. in Transnational & European Commercial Law, Mediation, Arbitration & Energy Law

(Executive mode - Two weekends each month)

Puts forward a genuinely transnational and European perspective, offering a highly flexible qualification suitable for a wide range of career openings in many sectors

The programme is unique in that it combines the substantive law at transnational level (e.g., Secured Transactions), European level (e.g., EU Company Law) with alternative dispute resolution (arbitration, mediation) for claims stemming from Transnational and European law. It also contains important innovative features, such as the study of the Energy Law.
“Take a look over the garden fence of domestic law and come to study the LL.M. in Transnational and European Commercial Law & Alternative Dispute Resolution. The program consists of a one of a kind combination of well selected courses provided by an excellent, extraordinary and well picked international academic staff. It is a real pleasure and a privilege to listen to those experts filling your mind with up-to-date knowledge about Transnational Commercial Law, European Economic Law and Alternative Dispute Resolution. I am very proud to be one of the first German students participating in this master program and I hope that many other students from all over the world will follow, as in my opinion every student who is thinking of doing postgraduate studies in the aforementioned areas of law should take this modern, unique and innovative program into consideration.”

Mona Schirmann, Rechtsanwältin
Student of the LL.M. in Transnational & European Commercial Law, Mediation, Arbitration & Energy Law
Germany
The Core Courses

Transnational Commercial Law I

- CISG
- UNCITRAL Model Laws
- UNIDROIT Principles
- Rome I
- Rome II
- Lex Mercatoria - From the Law of Rule to the Rule of Law
- Conventions of the Hague Conference on Private International Law
- World Bank
- WTO
- NAFTA
- BOT
- BOO
- BOOT
- BLOT
- BOTT
- ICC Incoterms 2010 Rules for any Mode of Transport
- The Impact of the EU ‘Rome I’ Regulation on International Litigation and Arbitration
- National/A - National Law, Mandatory and Overriding Mandatory Rules
- Transnational Company Agreements
- Transnational Regulatory Networks and their Limits
- Transnational Legal Process and State Change etc.

Transnational Commercial Law II

- UNIDROIT - Mandate, Working Method, Main Achievements - Conventions - Soft Law
- 2001 Cape Town Convention on International Interests on Mobile Equipment
- 2001 Aircraft Protocol
- 2007 Luxembourg Protocol on Matters Specific to Railway Rolling Stock
- 2012 Space Protocol on Matters Specific to Space Assets
- 2008 Model Law on Leasing
- 2009 Geneva Convention on The Substantive Aspects of Intermediated Securities
- 2007 UNCITRAL Legislative Guide on Secured Transactions
- Hague Conference
- UNIDROIT - Working Method
- Finance Lease (Lessor - Lessee - Manufacturer)
- Operating Lease
- Acquisition Finance Devices

European Economic Law I

- Citizenship of the EU & Rights Conferred on EU Citizens
- Directive 2004/38/Ec
- Company Directives
- Free Movement of Workers
- Prohibition of Discrimination-Direct/Indirect/Reverse
- Regulation 1612/68
- Free Movement of Capital
- Golden Shares
- The Customs Union and the Prohibition of Customs Duties and all Charges Having Equivalent Effect to Customs Duties
- Discriminatory Internal Taxation
- Quantitative Restrictions and Measures Having Equivalent Effect on Imports and Exports
- National Measures Relating to Selling Arrangements
- Market Access Test
European Economic Law II
- Financial Services Action Plan
- Uniform EU Securities Law
- EU Internal Market For Financial Services
- Regulatory Responses after the Crisis
- Financial Law & Financial Market
- Banking Law & Banking Integration
- Mutual Recognition in International Finance
- Legal Integration of Financial Markets in the Euro Area
- The Regulation of Cross-Border Financial Services in the EU Internal Market
- Monetary & Financial Law Reform in Emerging Economies
- The Role of Law in European Integration
- Institutions of Monetary Union
- Economic Policy Coordination
- European System of Central Banks (ESCB)
- The European Central Bank (ECB)
- European Union’s Efforts to Protect the Common Currency
- External Aspects of the European Monetary Union (EMU)
- Law of the International Monetary Fund
- History of International Monetary Cooperation
- The International Monetary Fund (IMF)-Function, Facilities, etc.
- Shadow Banking etc.

International Commercial Arbitration I
- Agreement
- Separability Presumption
- Choice of Law Governing Arbitration Agreements
- Competence - Competence
- Constitution of the Arbitral Tribunal Parties to International Arbitration Agreement
- Applicable Law
- Selection of Seat
- Selection and Challenge of Arbitrators
- The Award Form and Content of the International Arbitral Award
- Judicial Assistance for Arbitration
- Confidentiality
- Lis Pendens
- Stare Decisis etc.

International Commercial Arbitration II
- Institutional Arbitration
- Ad-Hoc Arbitration
- Introduction to Arbitral Institutions Such as THE ICC, CIARB, LCIA, DIS, ISCID, AAA
- Institutional Arbitration under the ICC Rules
- Terms of Reference
- Ad Hoc Arbitration under the UNCITRAL Rules 2010
- Construction Arbitration (FIDIC Contracts, Interim Measures, etc.)
- Mediation (Mediation Directive, Mediation Agreement, Legal Nature of Mediation Agreement, Enforceability of Mediation Agreements, Requirements for Parties and Lawyers to Consider Mediation as a Dispute Resolution Option, Mediator Duties, Accreditation Requirements for Mediators etc.)
- Investment Arbitration (Sources of International Investment Law, Standards of Protection, State Responsibility, Special Features of Arbitration Involving States Or State-Owned Entities, ICSID Arbitration)
- Energy Arbitration (Arbitration under the Energy Charter Treaty and other Investment Protection Treaties, etc.)
Recognition and Enforcement of International Arbitral Awards

- Reasons for Refusing Recognition and Enforcement Under Article V of the New York Convention
- The 1961 European Convention on International Arbitration
- The 1965 Convention on the Settlement of Investment Disputes Between States and National of other States (Washington Convention)
- The 1975 Inter-American Convention on International Commercial Arbitration (Panama Convention)
- The U.S. Federal Arbitration Act and the Practice of U.S. Courts on Recognition and Enforcement of Arbitral Proceedings and Awards
- Comparative Analysis of the Basis for Refusing to Recognize and Execute an Arbitral Award
- The Time Period for Challenging an Award
- Settlement Before and After Receiving an Arbitral Award
- Arbitration with Sovereign Governments
- The Issue of Immunity from Enforcement
- Interim Orders and Attachment to Property etc.

Energy Law

- The Energy Policy
- The European and Greek Legislation
- The Organization of the Energy Sector
- The Operation and Regulation of Electricity and Natural Gas Market
- The Operation of the Wholesaling Electricity Market
- The Legal Framework of the Renewable Energy Sources
- The Regulatory Authority for Energy
- The Protection of the Energy Consumer
- Energy and Environment
- The Hydrocarbons Regulatory Framework etc.

The Elective Courses

- Legal Aspects of International Finance
- Economic Analysis of Law
- International and EU Tax Law
- European Labour and Employment Law
- International Insolvency Law: Principles and policy
- Mergers and acquisitions

European and International Competition Law / Antitrust Law
- Internet Law and e-Business
- Banking Legal Environment
- Financial Crime
- European Procedural Law
- Legal Aspects of Risk Management
- EU Consumer Law
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Recent Legal Developments in Transnational and European Commercial Law and Alternative Dispute Resolution

The Master’s Dissertation

During the summer term, students work on an individual project on a subject relating to their interests and career aspirations.

“Having graduated the Accounting & Finance department and working as a business consultant, I wanted to follow a special master’s programme that could lead me in the path of new sciences and knowledge.

In addition, my business experience has taught me that acting in the European and especially the international legal framework of commerce and business offers an added value to your career and strengthens your entrepreneurial skills and spirit overall.

This innovative LLM at the IHU, with the perfect mixture of lectures and practice delivered not only by professors, but by the guest lecturers as well, is precisely what someone thinking like me needs.

I won’t tell you that it an easy course. On the contrary, it is quite demanding. But believe me, it’s worth every second of it.”

Markos Chionos
Student of the LL.M. in Transnational & European Commercial Law, Mediation, Arbitration & Energy Law
Greece
MA in Art, Law and Economy

(Executive mode - Two weekends each month)

Aims at exploring and highlighting the functional interdependence between art, law and the economy

This programme is run over two weekends (Friday - Sunday) each month except December, April and August. It adopts a multi-disciplinary approach and is addressed to graduates of various academic backgrounds, including law, economics, political science, history of art, philosophy, etc., who wish to specialise in the interrelation between art, law and the economy.
The MA in Art, Law and Economy is a unique and innovative programme with really modern courses. All professors are experts in their fields and provide a high quality of education to students who aim to achieve their career aspirations.

Cultural heritage is important for all humanity and its preservation is significant not only for monuments and artifacts but also for people and their cultural identity. Therefore, I believe that the creation of such a postgraduate programme which focuses on these aspects is essential and it really pursues its aim of improving the students’ employment prospects in the field.

Anastasia Karavasili
Executive Assistant,
MA in Art, Law and Economy,
Greece
MA in Art, Law and Economy

The Core Courses

Unesco and the culture. The artist, his Work and his rights

- Theory on the International Organisation.
- Main roles and functions of UNESCO in the field of culture. UNESCO’s contribution to the protection of the world’s cultural diversity.
- Cultural diplomacy.
- Artist’s moral and intellectual property rights (1980 Vienna Convention, TRIPS Agreement, EU Regulations on contract law etc.).

Artwork Transactions. Legal aspects of international trade in Art

- The legal framework of the arts market.
- Laws governing art investment.

Financing of museums. The role of art collectors.
- Law relating to artwork insurance.
- Auction rules. The international art auction industry.
- International law relating to the acquisition and disposal of works of art. Art loans. Sale contracts (different types of contracts concerning artwork transactions). Applicable law (Rome I Regulation, CISG).
- Transfer of stolen art. Torts and Applicable law. Application of foreign art law. The special problem of art taken by Nazis in WW II.
- The roles and responsibilities of artists and professional managers in relation to legal and related business issues. Liability of art dealers.
- Export procedure of objects of art and the protection of artists’ rights.

Cultural property regulation and national and international heritage legislation. International protection of cultural property

- Notion of cultural property and distinction between cultural property and cultural heritage.
- Overall system of protection of cultural property and cultural heritage and the most important international treaties, the 1970 UNESCO Convention on the illicit import, export and transfer of ownership of cultural property, and the 1995 UNIDROIT Convention on stolen or illegally exported cultural property.
- The role of the European Union Law for the protection of cultural property (e.g. the free movement of goods and the ‘national treasures’ exception, Regulation 3911/92 (repealed by Regulation 116/2009), Regulation 752/93 and Directive 93/7/EEC).
- The role of soft law instruments, like codes of ethics developed by UNESCO, ICOMOS and other international organisations and NGO.
- International institutions and organizations in the area of cultural property protection.

Settlement of disputes

- History, national and international law and the marketplace related to Cultural property disputes.
- Cultural Property Disputes. Law relating to the settlement of disputes concerning cultural objects. Traditional court litigation and alternative dispute resolution.
- Jurisdiction (USA, Europe Brussels I-Regulation Recast 2012, Lugano Convention, Brussels Convention, National Law).
- Judicial Recourse and Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) -Types and
forms of ADR (Arbitration, Mediation, Conciliation and Good offices, Inquiry and fact finding, Negotiation, etc.).
• (Cultural Diplomacy).
• The Role of International Organizations and Other Institutions in Cultural Property Disputes.

Copyright Law

• Rationale for copyright protection.
• European, international and comparative law. Three levels of protection for IP and how they interact: national, European Union and international protection (e.g. The 2012 Beijing Treaty on Audiovisual Performances, The 1996 WIPO Copyright Treaty (‘WCT’), The 1996 WIPO Copyright Treaty (‘WCT’), The Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) and the free movement of goods, European Union Directives).
• Greek Copyright Act 2121/1993.
• Basic international fora (EU, WTO, WIPO and UNESCO).
• Copyright with regard to arts and cultural property.
• Contemporary copyright issues of particular topicality (internet, public domain, human rights).

Arts Management

• The contemporary art market: structure, stakeholders and rules.
• Management practices and trends within the international contemporary art market. Management tools: (SWOT analysis, Business Plan, Notions of project management).
• Interactions between artists, collectors, museums, auction houses and galleries.
• Art prices.
• Art as an investment.
• Organisation and management of art shows/fairs/exhibitions.
• Financing and fundraising.
• Arts marketing.
• Cultural and creative entrepreneurship.
• The artist as entrepreneur.

The Elective Courses

• International protection of cultural property in the event of armed conflict
• Competition Law and Intellectual Property Rights. Technology and Intellectual Property
• WIPO Copyright Treaty. WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty
• Legal problems of architecture design, photography and other artifacts (especially in digital form - multimedia)
• Theft and robbery of Art - Bona fide acquisition of stolen art - Repatriation - Restitution and return of looted Art
• The Greek claim for the return of the Parthenon Marbles

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IHU in the Social Media!

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Do you want to be up to date with the IHU’s latest news?

Join our fanpages, post your comments, check our videos and be part of our online international student community!

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IHU Location

The university campus is located close to Thermi on the Thessaloniki - Nea Moudania highway (14th km).

Visitors are welcome to view the facilities. Appointments can be made to meet staff and be shown around.