



Uniplac – Educational Union of the Planalto Central
Faculdade de Ciências Jurídicas
Faculty of Law

GENERAL INFORMATION:

COURSES AND ECTS

The main goal of this academic partnership between European Union (*Erasmus Mundus: EM*) and Brazil is to enhance exchange opportunities regarding legal issues.

The Uniplac Faculty of Law has with three campuses and ten university courses leading to Bachelor's degree: Medicine, Odontology, Pharmacy, Nursing, Physiotherapy, Veterinary Science, Accounting, Architecture and Urban Planning, Business Administration and Law. The Uniplac Faculty of Law is a young institution, situated around the centre of the City of Brasilia, the Capital of Brazil.

The Uniplac Faculty of Law has about 800 students and a really creative curriculum for the five years of law study, which combines legal theory that, in turn, does not go very far in the abstract, with a heavy emphasis on practical experience. This urban law Faculty focuses on training future attorneys, judges, public prosecutors, etc., giving them practical lawyering skills, as well as pragmatic understanding of the judicial system and the law regarding the Federal District, their home State.

The Faculty provides legal clinical training, externships, and trial-advocacy and moot court programs to all its law students, which, in turn, enjoy innumerable opportunities to use and cultivate their professional skills in the Brazilian legal community. Students will certainly be benefited by the Faculty's connection to the District Courts (State) and Federal Courts, Public Prosecution Service and Government offices.



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The Uniplac Law students' are a very diverse group of people in terms of ethnicity, gender, economic status and age. In fact, Uniplac students body is one of the most heterogeneous in the city.

The admission system of the Uniplac Faculty of Law happens two times a year: in the first semester and the second semester, respectively, summer (January) and winter (august). Half the students go to night classes. The other half, to the morning ones. All students need to be approved on public examinations for a place in The Uniplac Faculty of Law.

Student's age average on night classes is beyond 30 years old. Many of them, for this reason, are military, police, brokers, public officers. This aspect makes a great difference in regards to the way classes are given. The collegial atmosphere is quite different. Students are more compromised to the goals of the whole course. The university will get better in terms of structure in the following next years. There is also a compromise to develop a much more modern campus to fit the strong desire for knowledge that all students share.

The Uniplac Faculty of Law has 50 Members, including 10 full time professors. Seventy per cent of the faculty members have Ph.D. or M.Sc. degree. The Uniplac Faculty of Law has professors with great experience, including Judges of Appeal, Judges, Lawyers and Public Prosecutors.

The Uniplac Faculty of Law offer one year of *lato senso* course.



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COURSES/MODULES

The following modules will be provided, all of them will be taught concentrated and completely in Portuguese. Foreign student will be admitted on the same regular classes given to the Brazilian students, but, of course, will be provided a basic support in English if necessary. This aspect will improve all possibilities of mutual experience exchange.

1) Introduction to Brazilian Culture and History: 4 ECTS.

2) Introduction to Portuguese Language, except students from Portugal: 6 ECTS.

3) Brazilian Political and Legal System: 6 ECTS.

The students will be able to make a comparative study on the policy, law and practice between their home country and Brazil. By the end of the course, they shall make an oral presentation and also present a paper on the results of their research on this subject. This module includes a short time visit to: The Brazilian National Congress (Federal Chamber of Deputies and Federal Senate) and the local Parliament.

4) Brazilian Environmental Policy and Law: 6 ECTS.



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It includes an introduction to the policy and legal framework of environmental protection in Brazil, an introduction to the policy and law regarding pollution control and nature conservation and an introduction to the relevant international environmental issues and law. The students will be able to make a comparative study on the policy, law and practice between their home country and Brazil. They shall make an oral presentation and present a paper on the results of their study in this subject by the end of the course. This module includes an internship in the Public Environmental Prosecution Service Unit.

5) Brazilian Constitutional Law and Human Rights: 6 ECTS.

It includes an introduction to the Constitution of the Federative Republic and the development of human rights in Brazil. The students will be able to make a comparative study on the relevant policy, law and their practice between their home country and Brazil. They shall make an oral presentation and present a paper on the results of their study in this subject by the end of the course. This module includes a short internship/visit to: The Public Prosecution Service and Courts of Justice.

6) Organized and transnational crimes, International cooperation against these crimes: 6 ECTS.

It includes an introduction to the principles and rules of the International Criminal Law and their implementation in Brazil. The students will be able to make a comparative study on the policy, law and practice between their home country and Brazil. They shall make an oral presentation and present a paper on the results of their study in this



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subject by the end of the course. This module includes an internship in the Public Prosecution Service and in the Ministry of Justice.

7) Business Law, Private Law and Brazilian Commercial Law: 6 ECTS.

It includes an introduction to Business Law, Private Law and Brazilian Commercial Law and the legal practice of Brazil in this field. The students will be able to make a comparative study on the policy, law and practice applied in their home country and Brazil. They shall make an oral presentation and present a paper on the results of their study in this subject by the end of the course. This module includes an internship in the Judicial Courts of Brazil.

It is important to inform that, besides all these purposes presented, the Uniplac Faculty of Law is committed in helping EM students to get an internship in the government offices formally associated with the Uniplac Faculty of Law, such as Courts, Public Prosecution Service, Ministry of Justice etc. The students shall make an oral report on their experience of internship and present a paper on the internship experience.

The Director of Department for International Cooperation of the Uniplac Faculty of Law, Professor Diaulas Costa Ribeiro, Ph.D., is a Public Prosecutor in Brasilia, since 1991; from 1985 to 1991 he was Lawyer in Brasilia. He was Professor at the Complutense University of Madrid, Spain, and also in the Catholic de University of Portugal, invited by Erasmus Mundus Programme from May to July 2005. He had your Doctor Degree at the same University.



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To the classes to be given in Brazil, there will be about five full time faculty members available to teaching to the EM students. They will use some of their office hours to help EM students, two hours per week. The Director of Department for International Cooperation will be responsible for helping the EM students' study. He will use some of his office hours to help EM students requests, two hours per week.

The Uniplac Faculty of Law will provide an official certificate approving the duration of the stay in this country, the given lectures and academic accomplishment of the EM students. This certificate will be provided at the end of the program.

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