Programme overview
Taxes are at the heart of many decisions in business and government. In a world where trade is global, knowledge of only domestic rules is inadequate. With our Master’s in European and International Tax Law, you will be able to help businesses and institutions operate in a worldwide context with the European Union’s legal framework in focus.

The European Union is one of the world’s largest and most important economies. Those interested in doing business within EU member states must know the tax rules and practice of relevant laws. In this programme, you will gain a deeper understanding of the European Union’s legal system and how the tax laws of EU’s internal market operate in a cross-border context. Furthermore, you will learn how to find and use EU and international legal material.

We offer you a unique combination of specialist courses in both direct and indirect taxation with special focus on EU law. The courses are designed to meet the demands of the market for cutting-edge knowledge on multi-jurisdictional tax issues. The programme provides you with access to an international faculty with state-of-the-art knowledge in the field and experience from working with the courts and institutions of the European Union and in private practice of tax law.

Due to our close connections with the business community, our courses feature guest lectures by highly specialised professionals providing you with practical and theoretical insights on European and international tax law issues. During the programme, you will meet with tax practitioners working with these issues from, for example, EY and Deloitte.

Programme modules/courses
CORE COURSES (15 CREDITS EACH): The Fundamentals of European and International Indirect Taxation and The Fundamentals of European and International Direct Taxation. These courses deal with the structure of Tax Systems, Comparative Taxation, Sources of Law, Public Finance, General Principles, Human Rights and Taxation, Methods of Interpretation, Access to Treaty Freedoms, Judicial Remedies and State Aid as well as Taxation and Transfer Pricing. One of the following: European and International Taxation – Direct Tax or European and International Taxation – Indirect Tax. The programme ends with a Master’s degree thesis (15 credits).

Career prospects
The Master’s in European and International Tax Law prepares you for a career within law firms, international audit and professional services firms, national tax authorities, tax divisions in multinational companies, as well as finance departments and other government tax policy institutions.

Tax specialists work at the centre of the corporate world or government policy, with clients and other professionals, to find the optimal tax solutions adapted to complex commercial and real-life circumstances.

Graduates often find positions as tax specialists in their home country in various functions in both public and private sector.

The Master’s degree also adequately prepares students for PhD studies in European and international taxation.

Entry requirements and how to apply
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
An undergraduate degree in law (LL.B) including 15 ECTS credits in tax law, or an undergraduate degree in economics or business administration (BA/BSc) including 30 ECTS credits in tax law or equivalent knowledge. English Level 6 (equivalent to IELTS 6.5, TOEFL 90). See www.lunduniversity.lu.se for details on English proficiency levels.

“..."The programme was an incredible experience on both academic and professional levels, as it provided an extensive legislative and doctrinal view on the theory and practice of tax law. The small class size, with students from many interesting legal cultures and jurisdictions, accommodated close interaction with the faculty and valuable exchange of ideas – the mentorship, guidance and encouragement provided by the faculty has been invaluable!" Nikolaos Kratimenos from Greece, now working as Manager at EY
HOW TO APPLY
1. Apply online: Go to www.lunduniversity.lu.se/european-international-tax-law. Click on “Apply” and follow the instructions for the online application at the Swedish national application website www.universityadmissions.se. Rank the chosen programmes in order of preference.
2. Submit your supporting documents:
   • General supporting documents: Check what documents you need to submit (i.e. official transcripts, degree diploma/proof of expected graduation, translations, proof of English, passport) and how you need to submit them at www.universityadmissions.se
   • Programme-specific supporting documents: When applying for the Master’s in European International Tax Law, you must also submit a CV and a statement of purpose with your application. For further instructions, see www.lusem.lu.se/supporting-documents
3. Pay the application fee (when applicable).

SELECTION CRITERIA/ADDITIONAL INFO
We look for undergraduates with excellent results from an internationally recognised university. When assessing your academic record, we take into account your grade average and other merits such as your statement of purpose.

Undergraduates are recommended to have a minimum average grade equivalent to 3.0 out of 4, in cumulated grade point average (CGPA), C in the ECTS grading scale, and B in the American grading scale.

Strong English language communication skills are crucial to gain the full benefit of this programme.

TUITION FEES
There are no tuition fees for EU/EEA citizens. For non-EU/EEA citizens, the tuition fee for this programme is SEK 120 000 per year. See www.lunduniversity.lu.se for details on tuition fees.

About the School of Economics and Management
Graduates from the School of Economics and Management are well prepared to be leaders of tomorrow. The commitment to making a difference drives the School’s learning culture in its focus on student learning, innovation and engagement – all in an international atmosphere. We aim at supporting our students in their learning journeys’ towards being capable of tackling global challenges. We do this via a high degree of case-based learning, inviting our students to take part in experiential learning in a way that connects theories with practice.

We have a highly qualified faculty with an international outlook, and innovative pedagogical approaches, making sure that our teaching is state-of-the-art. All our programmes reflect the Scandinavian flair on ethics and sustainability, providing a solid foundation for future career ambitions. At LUSEM you learn both to make a difference, and to make it happen!

About Lund University
Lund University was founded in 1666 and is repeatedly ranked among the world’s top 100 universities. The University has 40 000 students and 7 600 staff based in Lund, Helsingborg and Malmö. We are united in our efforts to understand, explain and improve our world and the human condition.

The University offers one of the broadest ranges of programmes and courses in Scandinavia, based on cross-disciplinary and cutting-edge research. Our eight faculties conduct strong research in many different areas, including over thirty research fields in which we are world-leading. The University has a distinct international profile, with partner universities in around 70 countries.

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