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INTRODUCTION & OBJECTIVES

The International Institute for the Sociology of Law (IISL) was founded in 1988 by the International Sociological Association’s Research Committee on the Sociology of Law, and the Basque Government. The IISL has now become the home of the international sociology of law community.

The Institute is located in the old University of Oñati building, dating from 1543, a magnificent example of Spanish Renaissance architecture. The building has been renovated to accommodate a documentation centre, library, administrative offices and meeting rooms. Updated information can be obtained from the Institute’s website (http://www.iisj.es) and the latest news is published also in the Institute’s newsletter and in Facebook. The Master’s degree in Sociology of Law of the IISL is taught in English. The Master’s degree (60 ECTS) is awarded as an official Master of Arts degree of the University of the Basque Country.

The programme has two major components: intensive seminars from September 2016 to March 2017 (40 ECTS credits), and an individual research project (Master’s thesis) (20 ECTS credits) defended in September 2017. From April to September, students have the option of remaining in Oñati, visiting another university or going back to their home university.

The course prepares students for independent scientific research and enlarges their capacity for practical problem solving. The programme aims to increase the students’ knowledge and understanding of issues of law in society and their cultural, political and economic contexts, from a comparative and international perspective. The course also prepares students for independent research.

The courses provide an unparalleled opportunity for close personal contacts with eminent scholars in socio-legal studies, who can introduce students to the leading work, as well as providing direct contacts to the main researchers and networks in their field. The Scientific Director also helps in the development of the dissertation, and provides continuity and further individual advice and supervision.

Students may also apply to participate in one or more of the specific courses offered without taking the whole degree.

ENTRY PROFILE

Candidates must have a University degree in sociology, law, social sciences and/or in another discipline related to Sociology of Law. Undergraduates in their final year may be admitted on the basis of their anticipated results, but they must already have been awarded their first degree diploma by the time the Master’s course begins.

Applicants must have a very good working knowledge of English, reading and writing as well as spoken. The ability to use social science literature published in other languages is useful.

ABOUT THE COURSE

Teaching place: International Institute for the Sociology of Law (Oñati).
Teaching type: On-site.
Teaching language: English.
Approximate fees: 1,800-2,000 €.
Calendar: September-May.

TEACHING LOAD

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TRAINING SYLLABUS

Rhetoric, Communication, Negotiation.
Comparative Legal Culture.
Social Research Theory and Practice.
SocioLegal Perspectives on Litigation.
Contentious Approaches to Global Law Making.
The Rule of Law: Law, Philosophy, Sociology, Politics & Reality.
The Multicultural Constitution.
Planning and Land.
Sociology of Law and the Economy.
Law and Anthropology.
State and Citizenship: Reflections on the Migrants as Activist.
Criminal Justice: Global Perspectives.
Social Theory of Law.
Thesis Seminar & Tutorials.

Tesina research (research, draft tutorials and defence).