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DOCTOR OF JURISPRUDENCE
Specialized in International Law

Program Brochure





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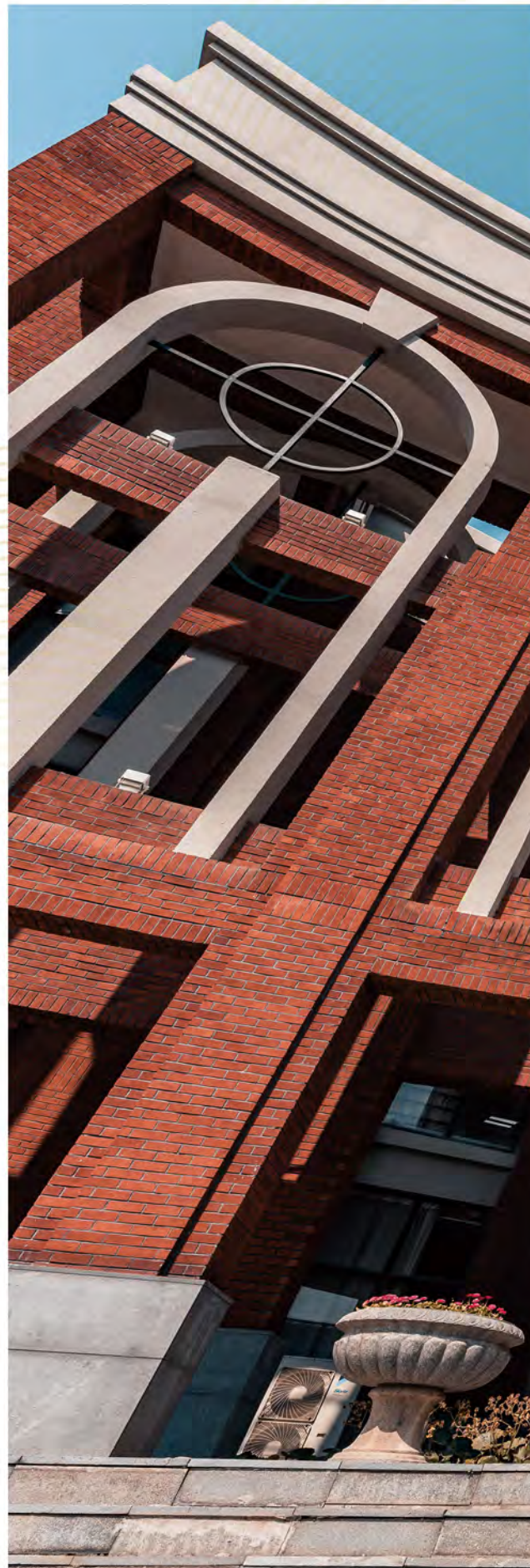
Introduction to ECUPL

Founded in 1952, East China University of Political Science and Law (ECUPL) is among the first group of universities of politics and law established by the People's Republic of China. Twin campuses are located in Changning and Songjiang district respectively. It has more than 18000 students, and there are 26 undergraduate programs, 56 master's programs, 24 Ph.D. programs, and 2 post-doctoral mobile stations. During the past seventy years, ECUPL has developed into a multidisciplinary university that, while focusing on legal education, offers a variety of other disciplines such as political science, economics, management, humanities and computer science. With an international reputation as “The Oriental Pearl in legal education,” the University has been admitting international students since 1984. International Exchange Center and International School are in charge of admission and administration, as well as exchange with overseas institutions.

► PROGRAM INTRODUCTION

The English-taught doctoral program (International Law) aims to actively support the country's pursuit of distinctive major-country diplomacy, promote the construction of a community with a shared future for humanity and a new type of international relations. It seeks to advance cooperation and exchange with countries around the world, especially developing nations in areas such as international trade, foreign investment, intellectual property rights, and environmental protection. The program fully leverages the role of international law in service and protection, aiming to cultivate a large number of high-end, multi-disciplinary legal talents among international students who understand and befriend China.

This project is designed to cultivate individuals with a solid foundation in international law, possessing cross-cultural communication skills, and global competence as high-level legal professionals.



► TRAINING OBJECTIVES

- (1) Understanding of China: Acquire knowledge and understanding of China's historical culture, political system, and diplomatic policies. Grasp mainstream values and public moral concepts in Chinese society, and demonstrate respect for and adherence to Chinese laws, policies, and public ethics.
- (2) Professional Qualities: Possess a broad academic perspective, excellent academic integrity, strong theoretical knowledge in international law, international relations, and country-specific law. Stay informed about the latest academic developments in the discipline, proficiently use research materials to write literature reviews, independently compose professional academic papers, and be competent in engaging in research and practice of international law. Demonstrate the ability to innovate, apply, and develop theories, skills, and methods within the discipline, gaining a competitive advantage in international legal services.
- (3) Cross-cultural and Global Competence: Develop awareness, knowledge, attitudes, and legal skills that embrace and adapt to cultural diversity. Play an active role in promoting mutual respect, understanding, and unity among different ethnicities, societies, and countries. Possess effective communication skills and be capable of facilitating cooperation, legal, and cultural exchanges.
- (4) Actively participate in various academic activities and smoothly engage in academic exchanges at international conferences.
- (5) Chinese Language Proficiency: Attain at least Level 3 proficiency in the "International Chinese Language Proficiency Standards" by the time of graduation.



► CREDITS

Doctoral Program Duration: 4 years.
And it mainly focuses on course teaching and is taught entirely in English.

Total 19 credits.
Including 13 credits for degree courses, 2 credits for required courses, and 4 credits for elective courses.



Doctoral Dissertation

Under the guidance of an advisor, the doctoral candidate independently completes the doctoral dissertation according to the planned progress. The doctoral dissertation should meet the requirements of the training objectives and ensure quality. The dissertation must be written entirely in English, with a minimum word count of 80,000 English words.

► CORE CURRICULUM

Course	Lesson Hours	Credit
1. Mandarin Language Basics	72 Hours	4 Credit
2. Chinese International Law and Diplomatic Practices	36 Hours	2 Credit
3. Research on Chinese Legal Culture	18 Hours	1 Credit
4. International Dispute Resolution	18 Hours	1 Credit
5. Specialized Studies in International Public Law	36 Hours	2 Credit
6. Specialized Studies in International Private Law	36 Hours	2 Credit
7. Specialized Studies in International Economic Law	18 Hours	1 Credit
8. Frontiers of Legal Studies	36 Hours	2 Credit
9. Academic Training and Discussion	36 Hours	2 Credit
10. Legal Practice of China's Foreign Relations	36 Hours	2 Credit
11. Comparative Law Topics	36 Hours	2 Credit
12. Chinese Foreign Investment Law	36 Hours	2 Credit



► PROFESSORS

The professors teaching in this program possess extensive teaching experience. They are not only proficient in English but also experts in the program field.

In addition, renowned scholars from the United States and the European Union often join as guest professors, bringing unique international perspectives and academic depth to the courses.

Below are brief introductions to some of the professors.



Professor Wu QiaoFang

East China University of Political Science and Law
Ph.D. in Economic Law
Bournemouth University
Master's in International Business Management (UK)
Jiangxi Normal University
Bachelor's in English Education



Associate Prof. Han YiChou

East China University of Political Science and Law
Ph.D. in Law
East China University of Political Science and Law
Master's in Law
East China University of Political Science and Law
Bachelor's in Law



Associate Prof. Peng Xu

After receiving intensive training in English at Johns Hopkins University Nanjing Centre in 1996, PENG Xu earned her LL.M. in Law in Development from the University of Warwick, UK (2002); Ph.D. in International Law from University Paul Cezanne Aix-Marseille III, France and East China University of Politics and Law (2006). She is also a British Chevening Scholar (2001) and the winner of the French Eiffel Doctoral Scholarship (2005), as well as a visiting professor of the University of San Francisco and Shanghai University.



Associate Prof. Zhang He

Holds a Ph.D. in Law and is an associate professor. She serves as the Secretary-General of the Institute for "Belt and Road" and Legal Diplomacy Research at the university, concurrently holding the position of Executive Director at the European Law Research Association of the China Europe Society. Main focus is on teaching and researching international legal governance, EU law, and international investment law. Also in charge of the "Demonstration Course in Full English for Foreign Students in Shanghai Universities."



Shen Jing
Lawyer

The founding partner of Shanghai Zhihe Law Firm.

A senior lawyer with over 18 years of experience. Specializes in daily compliance matters in international commodity trade and supply chain finance. Engaged in both domestic and international dispute resolution.

Deputy Director of the Belt and Road Professional Committee of the Shanghai Bar Association. Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Shanghai Bar Association.



Shao Kaijun
Lawyer

Chief Partner/Executive Director of Shanghai Jinfu Law Firm.

Holds a Master's degree in International Commercial Law from the University of Exeter in the United Kingdom.

Director of the Belt and Road Business Research Committee of the Shanghai Bar Association.

Recognized international professional mediator. Arbitrator at the Shanghai International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission/Shanghai International Arbitration Center.

An arbitrator at the Shanghai Arbitration Commission.

Member of the Jing'an District Political Consultative Conference in Shanghai.

► MENTOR

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The mentors in this program are leaders in their field, with years of professional experience and deep expertise in international legal practices. They have handled numerous cross-border cases and have long provided legal consultancy services to international organizations and multinational corporations, earning recognition for their professional insights and hands-on experience.

In addition, they are passionate about teaching and are dedicated to integrating theory with practice, offering students invaluable guidance and inspiration.





► APPLICATION MATERIALS

- 1 Completed ECUPL Admission Application Form
- 2 Copy of passport and Personal photos
- 3 Copy of Master's degree certificate (Graduation certificate can first provide a pre graduation certificate)
- 4 Copies of transcripts of all courses taken
- 5 Proof of corresponding language proficiency
- 6 Two letters of recommendation from experts
- 7 Study plan(not less than 1000 words)
- 8 Certificate of no criminal record
- 9 Affidavit of support
- 10 Health examination report

► REQUIREMENTS

- 1 Non-Chinese citizens; physically and mentally healthy.
- 2 Applicants for doctoral studies must hold a master's degree from a university, which is equivalent to a Chinese university master's degree.
- 3 Have good English communication skills and be able to understand the content of English courses. Non-native English speakers should submit an English test report.
- 4 Have strong development potential in their own field and be willing to enhance exchanges and cooperation between China and their country.

Application Time

2024/11/1 to 2025/4/30
(Scholarship applications can be submitted simultaneously)

2025/5/1 to 2025/9/30
(Only self-funded application can be submitted)

Tuition

Doctoral Tuition Fee
50000 CNY / Year

Application Fee
400 CNY



► APPLICATION

- 1 Log in to the online registration system for international students of ECUPL before the registration deadline to fill the application form for admission:
<http://international.ecupl.edu.cn>
- 2 Fill out the enrollment application form (see Attachment 2), and email scanned copies of all application materials to 50256@ecupl.edu.cn

Note: Registration fee will not be refunded after submission.

► ADMISSION METHOD

- 1 No need to take the written test.
- 2 Review written applications or online application materials, and conduct online or telephone interviews if necessary.
- 3 The admission result will be notified to the student via email.
- 4 The school will send admission notices and visa application forms to scholarship students in July-August.



► CONTACTS & SCHOLARSHIP

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Scholarship

After the student's application materials are reviewed and approved by the school, the school will issue a pre-admission notice. Students can then proceed to the Chinese Government Scholarship website to submit their application. For specific application procedures, please contact the school. For detailed information, please click on the following link to inquire:
www.campuschina.org
(Chinese Government Scholarship)