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- Strategic Partnership for the Development of Master`s Study program LAW AND GENDER, LAWGEM -
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Master`s Study Program
Law and Gender

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On the basis of Art. 23 (1(7)), and in the connection with Art. 26 ((9) and (18)) and Art. 68. of the Statute of the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law and in accordance with the Proposal of the Decision of the Academic Council of the University of Belgrade – Faculty of Law from March 29, 2021 on establishing the study program of Master`s Academic Studies “Law and Gender”, the Academic Council of the University of Belgrade – Faculty of Law, on February 21, 2022 adopted:

THE RULEBOOK FOR MASTER’S STUDY PROGRAM LAW AND GENDER

Article 1

Program Preparation and Consortium

This study program had been prepared within the framework of the Erasmus Plus Strategic Partnership in Higher Education projects granted by European Commission, titled: *New Quality in Education for Gender Equality – Strategic Partnership for the Development of Master’s Study Program `Law and Gender` - LAWGEM.*

The following institutions from the European Union (EU) and Serbia have been in the Consortium of this European Project:

1. University of Belgrade Faculty of Law - Coordinator/Applicant
2. LUMSA University, Palermo/Roma, Italy, Department of Law
3. Saarland University, Europa-Institut, Department of Law, Germany
4. Cadiz University, Spain
5. Örebro University, School of Law, Psychology and Social Work, CVS – Centre for Violence and Society, Sweden.

Article 2

Title and aims of the study program

The study program shall bear the title **Master`s Academic Studies – LAW AND GENDER**, and shall be conducted in English.

The aims of the program shall be to offer adequate knowledge and skills for the work on both legal and non-legal jobs related to the gender mainstreaming in all relevant fields of law-making and law implementation in judiciary, decision-making in the governments and state administration, state/regional/local policy-making related to economics, social security, media, culture, and concerning the academic gender competent knowledge production in the fields of law as well as social sciences and humanities.

Article 3

Type of studies and result of study process

These studies shall be the second degree studies: master's academic studies - Master.

The outcomes/end results of this program shall be to offer the in-depth knowledge of reasons for gender mainstreaming of law, economics, politics and policies of the European Union and its member states and accession countries, and of the relations between the European Union and other international organizations and states from the point of gender sensitive strategic and normative documents production and especially from the point of introducing and developing gender competent legal studies at the EU universities and the accession countries' universities. The end result of this program shall also be to expand the practical knowledge related to gender equality implementation through Legal Clinics focused on the issues of anti-discrimination and combatting gender based violence and sexual harassment, and through the Life Long Learning Platform focused on enhancing knowledge, system of values and awareness on gender equality issues.

Article 4

Academic title

After successful completion of the Master's Study Program - LAW AND GENDER, a student acquires the academic master's degree: **Master of Laws in Law and Gender, LL.M.**

All titles will be written in gender sensitive way.

A precise description of all fulfilled obligations included in the master's program as well as notification whether the student had previously completed undergraduate academic studies in law or in any other social sciences or humanities, shall be outlined in the Diploma Supplement/Transcript of Records.

Article 5

Eligibility requirements for the enrollment into the study program

Eligible for the enrollment into this program are:

- 1) applicants with a Bachelor Degree in law, any other social sciences or any humanities, with at least 240 ECTS, respectively the persons with undergraduate studies of four academic years completed in accordance with laws which had been valid before enacting the Law on Higher Education;
- 2) applicants who completed integrated studies, i. e. Master's academic studies with at least 300 ECTS.

Students who graduated abroad shall comply with the Rules for Recognition of Foreign University Diplomas for Purposes of Further Education. The procedure of the Recognition of Foreign University Diploma shall be formally initiated until the enrollment deadline.

Precondition for the enrollment at the study program Law and Gender is a proof of knowledge in English language on upper intermediate level of competence = B2 – certificate *Cambridge Advanced Certificate in English (CAE)* or *IELTS (International English Language Testing System)* or completed high school education in English language.

Article 6

Duration and the ECTS value of the program

The duration of the program shall be one year, consisting of two semesters (lectures, seminars, collective consultations, individual consultations, working hours with mentor), credited with 60 ECTS (each semester 30 ECTS).

Article 7

Program content

The study program shall consist of four mandatory courses on law and gender, plus two mandatory courses with practical dimension – the course Methodology and Practical skills and the course (professional internship) Gender Equality Legal Clinic, and the list of 13 optional courses, from which each student chooses four courses.

The study program shall contain four common mandatory courses, called: 1) **Feminist Political and Legal Theories**, 2) **Human Rights Law - Gender Perspective**, 3) **International and EU Law and Gender Equality** and 4) **Feminist Judgements**.

The course **Methodology and Practical Skills**, consisting of Gender equality glossaries analysis, research methodology with a special focus on the feminist methodology and gender equality analysis, English legal terminology, and Internet skills, is also mandatory. For all students will be also mandatory to attend the Legal Clinic as a form of professional internship called Gender Equality Legal Clinic. Classes of the Legal Clinic encompass studying of case law on gender discrimination and gender based violence within different anti-discriminatory fields, as well as the practical work of students.

In the first semester five from the above mentioned six mandatory courses shall be attended by all students of the study program LAW AND GENDER.

In the second semester the student shall opt for four courses from the given list of 13 optional courses, and shall attend the mandatory course (professional internship) **Gender Equality Legal Clinic**.

Student shall be obliged to write and defend the master's thesis at the end of the study program.

1. Semester

Mandatory courses at LAW AND GENDER:

1. Methodology and Practical Skills 4 ECTS;
2. Feminist Political and Legal Theories 6 ECTS;

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3. Human Rights Law - Gender Perspective 6 ECTS;
 4. International and European Law and Gender Equality 6 ECTS;
 5. Feminist Judgements 8 ECTS;

2. Semester

List of optional courses at LAW AND GENDER, from which students opt for four courses (4x3 ECTS=12 ECTS):

1. Gender Issues in Comparative Legal History 3 ECTS;
2. Private Law and Gender Equality 3 ECTS;
3. Public Law and Gender Equality 3 ECTS;
4. Gender Economics 3 ECTS;
5. Gender Equality and Business Law 3 ECTS;
6. Gender Equitable Taxation 3 ECTS;
7. Gender Competent Family Law 3 ECTS;
8. Gender Competent Criminal Law 3 ECTS;
9. Gender Competent Criminology 3 ECTS;
10. Gender Perspective of Labor Law 3 ECTS
11. Gender Perspective of Social Security Law 3 ECTS;
12. Sociology of Law and Gender Equality 3 ECTS;
13. Public Policies on Gender Equality 3 ECTS;

Mandatory Legal Clinic (professional internship) - Gender Equality Legal Clinic 3 ECTS.

Master thesis: 15 ECTS (Preparation and scientific research for Master thesis - 10 ECTS;
Defense of Master thesis - 5 ECTS)

In total – 60 ECTS

Article 8.

Basic data on the course schedule and the ECTS value of courses

Duration: The duration of the study program is two semesters, where one semester is equal to 30 ECTS, in total 60 ECTS.

Mandatory courses: Five mandatory courses shall be delivered during the first semester. Introductory mandatory courses are valid 6 or 8 ECTS, the mandatory course Methodology and

Practical Skills is valid 4 ECTS. The sixth mandatory course (professional internship) Gender Equality Legal Clinic will be delivered in the second semester and is valid 3 ECTS.

Optional courses: These courses shall be delivered during the second semester. Each optional course is valid 3 ECTS.

Practical work classes: Practical work classes shall offer class discussions, debates, seminar paper presentations, case studies etc. within all courses.

Additional courses can be introduced into the certain academic year's course schedule. Certificate of attendance will be delivered to students for attending and active participating in a particular additional course.

Master's thesis: It shall be based on research and shall be prepared in accordance with proposed standards for writing Master's Thesis. Master's thesis shall be credited **15 ECTS** and will be conducted at the end of the program.

Duration of the courses: Each course shall consist of 45 hours of active work (30 of lectures and of 15 hours of practical work). Practical skills shall consist of 30 hours (15 of lectures and 15 of practical work).

Courses shall be delivered in 3 to 5 weeks and in the framework of the "blocks" of concentrated work related to 3 or 4 courses at the same time.

If there are not at least 5 or at most 15 registered students for certain courses, the Management of the program shall have the right, upon the consultation with students, to make necessary changes in the final offer of courses and course schedule in the given academic year.

ECTS value: Mandatory courses are valid: Feminist Political and Legal Theories, Human Rights Law – Gender Perspective, International and EU Law and Gender Equality - 6 ECTS, and Feminist Judgements – 8 ECTS, Methodology and Practical Skills 4 ECTS, Gender Equality Legal Clinic – 3 ECTS. In total **33 ECTS**.

Each optional course is valid 3 ECTS, four optional courses per each student are valid in total **12 ECTS**.

Master thesis - Preparation and scientific research for Master thesis - 10 ECTS;

Defense of Master thesis - 5 ECTS, in total **15 ECTS**.

Credits – 33 ECTS plus 12 ECTS plus 15 ECTS, in total **60 ECTS**.

Article 9.

Student's obligations

The student shall be required to attend four mandatory courses and Methodology and Practical Skills course in the first semester, and to attend four opted courses in the second semester and the mandatory course (professional internship) Gender Equality Legal Clinic.

The student shall prepare and submit Master thesis and defend it successfully before a panel.
Students shall have an opportunity to fulfill their obligations in the following academic year.

Article 10.

Master's thesis

After passing all exams the student shall be required to prepare and defend Master thesis of approximately 90,000 to 110,000 characters (45 to 55 pages), which shall be credited with 15 ECTS.

The procedure for registration, completion and defense of the Master thesis is regulated by a separate relevant University of Belgrade Faculty of Law rules regulating Master thesis.

Article 11.

Language of the study program

The official language of the studies at the Master in European Integration is English.

Entire administration, delivery of certificates and communication with the Management shall be conducted in English.

Article 12

Evaluation of the students' success

Evaluation of the students' achievements in classes and in exams, as well as in defending their Master thesis, shall be expressed in a following way: 10 (ten); 9 (nine); 8 (eight); 7 (seven); 6 (six); 5 (fail).

Final examination grade for Methodology and Practical Skills is „pass“ or „fail“.

Master's thesis is evaluated numerically from 5 to 10.

Article 13

Evaluation of the teaching staff

Students shall evaluate the quality of lectures and seminar classes given by the teaching staff through evaluation forms, offered at the end of each course.

Article 14

Possibility of attending courses at other faculties

Students may enroll into a course or a number of courses at other faculties of law or other appropriate academic institutions, either in Serbia or abroad, if the relevant courses are complementary with the Master's Study Program *Law and Gender*, and provided an agreement of the cooperation has been signed among referential academic institutions.

Exam(s) taken at other faculties of law or referential institutions shall be recognized as if they were taken at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, where the student has registered for this study program.

The same is valid for students of other faculties of law or other appropriate academic institutions, either in Serbia or abroad, when the agreement is provided for their attendance of certain activities at Master's Study Program *Law and Gender* at the University of Belgrade Faculty of Law.

Article 15

Final provisions

The Rulebook enters into force eight days after its announcement at the Faculty of Law notification board, and shall apply from the academic year which starts after the completed accreditation procedure.

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PRESIDENT OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

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