

# Master in Law

## Course Descriptions

### Programme Compulsory Courses

#### **LAW 701 - Research Methodology**

The curriculum of this course includes an overview of legal research, its concepts and methods, starting from the stage of preparedness, selecting the topic of the research, gathering sources and references, reading and contemplation, legal writing, and, finally, printing and discussion.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 711 - Civil Law in Depth**

The curriculum of this course includes a general and a specific programme. The general programme deals with the study of the general theory of obligation in terms of its sources and provisions, and the study of contracts of sale, lease, agency and contracting. The specific programme contains a detailed and analytical comparative study of one of the topics of the general programme, such as the theory of nullification, the theory of civic responsibility or liability for a loss.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 721 - Commercial Law in Depth (E)**

The curriculum of this course includes a general and a specific programme. The general programme deals with the study of the provisions of commercial law in general, such as businesses, the trader and his obligations, commercial contracts, bankruptcy, securities and bank transactions. The specific programme contains a detailed and analytical comparative study of one of the topics of the general programme, such as a bankruptcy, securities or bank transactions.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 731 - Criminal Law in Depth**

The curriculum of this course includes a general programme and a specific one. The general programme analyses and studies in-depth the general theory of crime and punishment; introducing the penal code, its objectives and its development; and introducing crime, its types, the study of its elements, participating in it, the reasons for legalisation, studying criminal sanctions, precautionary measures and their types, and methods of its lapse. The specific programme contains an analytical, comparative study of one of the topics of the general programme, such as criminal liability or participating in a crime.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 741 - Administrative Law in Depth**

The curriculum of this course includes a general programme and a specific one. The general programme deals with the general theories of administrative law, administrative management and administrative activity in terms of its essence, centralised and decentralised administrative organisation, the means for general functional management, administrative decisions and public funds. The specific programme contains an analytical, applied study of one of the topics of the general programme such as a public job, an administrative contract and managerial decisions.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

### Programme Elective Courses

**LAW 712 - Philosophy of Law**

This course includes the topic of determining the basis of law, the nature of positive law, its application and problems, the idea of equity as another component of legal study in terms of essence, substance and nature and showing the relationship between the philosophy of law and the sources of the interpretation of law.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

**LAW 713 - Interpretation of Law**

This course explains the meaning of interpretation, its necessity and the elements of legal text. It also shows the significance of the word and the concept in the text; the reasons for interpretation in terms of ambiguity, conflict and lack of texts and demonstrates the modes of verbal and deductive interpretation as well as the wisdom beyond legislations.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

**LAW 714 - Law of Evidence in Civil and Commercial Provisions in Depth**

This course tackles all the proof legally permissible as evidence or negation by opponents, the authority of the judge in considering such evidence or not, studying such legally permissible evidence, distinguishing legally permissible evidence from illegal evidence, distinguishing legally permissible evidence from other legal systems, and dealing with the manner of the implementation of national provisions after acquiring authentic *res judicata*.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

**LAW 715 - Origins of Civil and Commercial Procedures in Depth**

The curriculum of this course includes a general programme and a specific one. The general programme includes jurisdiction, the theory of a case and its procedures, the theory of judicial sentences, and appeals against these provisions and procedures for the implementation of judicial sentences within the procedure authorities. The specific programme contains a detailed and analytical study of one of the general topics, such as the theory of interest in the case and the theory of the judicial sentence.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

**LAW 716 - Consumer Protection Act**

This course deals with the concept of the consumer and the concept of his/her protection. It also introduces the idea of consumer protection within the stages of the contract, starting from the stage of calling for a contract and expands into the study of the obligations of the pre-contracting stage, through notification, the legal regulation of the elements of the contract under the protection that should be availed to the consumer, how to achieve contractual balance in consumption contracts, the guarantee for concealed defects and hazardous qualities, and the consumer's right to abstain from contracting. Finally, this course studies other aspects of protection, such as administrative protection, protection in international conventions, criminal protection and, finally, consumer protection in Islamic law.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

**LAW 717 - Law of Informatics E**

This course has four parts:

Part I is general dealing with the legal timework of information technology as highlighted by modern communication methods dealing with protections and communication and information. This part also includes ancestral rules which stipulate the model law and electronic trade and also the legal system for his information organization in the Kingdom of Bahrain. Part II of the course had an in depth topic such as the protection of personal data from the risks of modern technology liability for acts that may endanger personal

interest in the field of information protection of intellectual property in modern communication and information.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 722 - International & Local Commercial Arbitration in Depth E**

The study programme for this course includes the choice of in depth study and analysis of one of the commercial arbitration subjects e.g. studying the arbitration award's tribunal to the dispute, and the cases. The award may be considered invalid or alternatively valid and enforceable within a given mechanism.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 781 - Jurisprudence in Depth**

This course includes the realization of the provisions related to Islamic banks, their establishment and legal organization and activity, and the characteristics of these banks which make them different in addition to their management, practices, and monitoring by the Sharia compliance monitoring authority. It also covers the review of the legal rules stipulated in the Decree by Law for the establishment of the Bahrain Islamic Bank which was issued by the Bahraini legislator according to Decree by Law No. 2 of 1979 on the establishment of a Bahraini shareholding company under the name Bahrain Islam Bank B.S.C in the official gazette No. 1322 issued on 15/3/1979.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 732 - Code of Criminal Procedure in Depth**

The curriculum of this course includes a general programme and a specific one. The general programme includes an in-depth study of the regulation of criminal procedures in their various forms, and criminal proceedings in the investigation stage and the trial stage, as well as appeals in criminal sentences. The specific programme contains a detailed and analytical study of one of the general topics, such as the theory of criminal nullification, the theory of evidence or the theory of jurisdiction.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 733 - Special Criminal Legislations**

This course is a study of the most important special criminal legislations in Bahrain, plus the philosophy and rationale behind them. It also facilitates the study and in-depth analysis of the developed procedural phenomena that have been addressed by some of the special criminal legislations, crimes such as the transplantation of human organs and human trafficking, in terms of size, type, origin, different elements, penalties and their relationship with organised crime.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 734 - Economic Crimes**

The curriculum of this course includes a general and a specific programme. The general programme includes an in-depth analytical study of economic crimes through highlighting the concept, various legislative approaches related to them, their general provisions, their elements and the punishments associated with them. The specific programme deals with one of the economic crimes contained in Bahraini law through an in-depth, comparative study.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 751 - Constitutional Law and Political Systems in depth**

The curriculum of this course includes a general programme and a specific one. The general programme deals with the essence of constitutional law, contemporary constitutional systems, and Bahraini and international constitutional systems. The specific programme deals with one of the topics of the general programme, such as supervision on the constitutionality of laws.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 752 - Public Rights and Freedoms**

The material deals with definition of rights and freedoms, and their kinds and the historical developments for each one by knowing the rights and freedoms in Islam and how they developed in the modern era. It talks about the universal declamations of human rights and the outstations of Bahrain.

The material discusses the principle of equality and guarantee of the exercise of the rights and freedoms by talking about equality in law, before the law, equality in exercising political rights, public services, public costs and then discussing the guarantee of exercising the existence of the constitution of the state.

The course also includes the principle of separation between the authorities, and the principle of the gradation of legal rules, control over the constitutionality of laws, and control over administration work.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 754 - Administrative Contracts**

This course tackles administrative contracts in terms of definition, types, conclusion, the obligations of the contractor and the management authorities, contractor's rights versus administration and the expiry of administrative contracts.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 761 - Public International Law in Depth**

This course includes an in-depth study of the theoretical explanation of international disputes and ways to resolve them in accordance with the rules of international law, the UN Charter and international agreements. It also includes the study of models for international issues, and resolving them through amicable means, through resorting to the International Court of Justice (ICJ) or through arbitration.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

#### **LAW 762 - International Humanitarian Law in Depth E**

1. Provides students with legal and important knowledge in respect of international humanitarian law, emergence and development of rules thereof.
2. Develops students' cognitive and practical skills in respect of availing international protection for victims in armed disputes and for prisoners and wounded persons, learning and applying the same in practice.
3. Develop students' skills in writing legal reports, utilising information data and technology.
4. Prepare qualified graduates who are capable to participate in legal services and academic activities within humanitarian institutions and organizations.

**(Prerequisite: None)**

### **Thesis**

#### **LAW 700 - Thesis**

A research supervised work based on an approved topic in law or commercial law. This course is considered a capstone in the Master of Law or Commercial Law programme. It provides an opportunity to the students to conduct an independent learning and research work based on structured methodology. The thesis focuses on senior level skills to be addressed in terms of progressive intellectual discourse including research problem identification, research methodology, literature review, data analysis, research conclusion and recommendations. The final production of manuscript is subject to public defense and evaluated based on written and oral presentations.

**(Pre-requisite: 24 Credit Hours)**