CEUB MASTER AND DOCTORATE IN LAW PROGRAM (2024)

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OVERVIEW

Located in the heart of Brasília, at the Federal District, the Master and Doctorate in Law Program of the University Center of Brasília (CEUB) are among the best in Brazil (score 5), according to the Department for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES) of the Brazilian Ministry of Education (MEC). The program stands out for its renowned faculty, the largest in the Brazilian Midwest region, legal research, and publications developed under interdisciplinary perspectives of law and public policies.



The core idea of the Program is to develop research on concrete problems of contemporary society. About twenty research groups are working together with other high-level groups, in which the students have permanent interaction through national and international cooperation. CEUB's research projectsare funded by the National Council of Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq), CAPES, the Federal District Funding Agency (FAPDF), the European Commission, the Governments of France, Japan, Spain, the United States, among others.

Once enrolled, students can be sure that they will work in an intense research environment. From the very beginning, the faculty supervises students in their specific research, and they participate in at least one of the Programs' Research Groups where they can discuss different subjects and learn about the national and international cooperation and exchange opportunities. Students are regularly invited to participate in national and international seminars, which stimulate intellectual autonomy, publication, and their introduction to the academic and professional settings.

The Program offers two areas of concentration with two lines of research in each of them:

Area 1 - Public Policy, State, and Development

Line 1 - Public Policies, Constitution and Organization of the State

Line 2 - Public Policy, Process and Penal Control

Area 2 - Public Policy, Private Relations, and Development

Line 3 - Public Policy, Civil Society and Protection of People

Line 4 - Public and Economic Development Policies

There is considerable flexibility in the choice of courses, with more than fifty offered annually. The students can choose to take two or three classes per week according to their main research interests. Classes aim to encourage the development of critical thinking and promote high-level debates among students and faculty.

AREA 1: PUBLIC POLICY, STATE, AND DEVELOPMENT

The first area of concentration - "Public Policy, State and Development" - aims at studying the legal and political integration processes of the State. This area also covers institutional arrangements for the structure and administration of the State, as well as strategies for conflict resolution, crime control, and promotion of wider access to justice. Two lines of research compose this concentration area: the first focuses on the organization and structure of the State. The second deals with the Judiciary, with particular interest in rules of procedure (civil and criminal) and penal control.

Research line I - Public Policy, Constitution, and the Organization of the State

This first line of research examines institutional arrangements of the State to promote development. Students tackle law and public policy issues in the context of structure, organization, and State dynamics. Research focuses on contemporary issues involving, among other topics: administrative contracts and law; comparative constitutional law; theory and reality of fundamental rights; law and urban policy; law and public service; security and effectiveness of social rights; law, public policy and sustainable development and environmental governance.

AREAS

AREA 1: PUBLIC POLICY, STATE, AND DEVELOPMENT

Research line II - Public Policy, Civil Procedure, Criminal Procedure and Penal Control

The second line of research explores institutional strategies for conflict resolution, with emphasis on access to justice and crime control. Socio-legal research analyzes the enforcement of public policy by judicial action and recourse to the courts. In the second axis, students study issues related to: criminological discourses; fundamentals of punitive power; criminal policy; precedent and case law as well as constitutional principles of procedures, and principles of fundamental rights.

AREA 2: PUBLIC POLICY, PRIVATE RELATIONS, AND DEVELOPMENT

The second area of concentration – "Public Policies, Private Relations and Development" -explores public policies for the promotion and protection of individuals and their private relations. The area emphasizes analyses of individual rights through public policies for the expansion of individual's freedoms and strengthening of business. In this sense, this area of concentration focuses on the study of public policies through the lens and logic of private law. Two lines of research make up this area. The first highlights civil society and the individual, while the second stresses the importance of business and international economic law. In both research lines, the use of private law mechanisms to promote development is a topic of concern.

Research Line III - Public Policy, Civil Society, and the Protection of Individuals

The third line of research analyzesthe relationship betweensociety and the individual. It explores public policies, contexts, spaces, and ethical fundamentals that explain their relations. Students also explore the development of public policies through private law and how State action may have impacts on private life.

AREA 2: PUBLIC POLICY, PRIVATE RELATIONS, AND DEVELOPMENT

Research Line IV - Public Policy, and Economic Development

The fourth line of research looks atthe internal and international economicorder as well as its business and administrative aspects. This line focuses on company's interests, whether public or private, with emphasis on economic development.

CURRICULUM AND COURSES

Mandatory Courses

- Fundamentals of Research Methodology in Law

Basic Courses

The student must complete 3 of the 12 courses.

- Economic Analysis of Law
- Social Bases of the State
- Political Culture
- Political Economy
- Philosophy of Law
- Historiography of Legal Thought in Brazil
- Current Issues of Human Rights
- Fundamental Topics of Constitutional Law
- Public Policy Theory
- International Law Theory
- Private Law Theory
- Power and Constitution Theory

Specific Courses

The student must complete 4 courses in the chosen line of research, and 1 course from any other line of research.

AREA 1 – Public Policy, State, and Development

Research line I – Public Policy, Constitution and Organization of the State

- **Administrative Contracts**
- **Comparative Constitutional Law**
- **Contemporary Constitutional Law**
- **Law and Urban Policy**
- **Law and Public Services**
- **Law, Public Policies and Sustainable Development**
- **Environmental Governance**
- **Public Policy and Social Rights**
- **Process and Constitution**
- **Proceduralization of Administrative Law**
- **Public Administration Reform**
- **Security and Effectiveness of Social Rights**
- **Advanced Legal Seminar I**
- **Theory and Reality of Fundamental Rights**

Specific Courses

The student must complete 4 courses in the chosen line of research, and 1 course from any other line of research.

AREA 1 – Public Policy, State, and Development

Research line II – Public Policy, Civil Procedure, Criminal Procedure and Penal Control

- **Public Policy Control Procedure**
- **Contemporary Criminal Discourses**
- **Fundamentals of Punitive Power**
- **Criminal policies**
- **Precedent and Jurisprudence Law**
- **Constitutional Principles of Procedure and Fundamental Rights**
- **Advanced Legal Seminar II**

Specific Courses

The student must complete 4 courses in the chosen line of research, and 1 course from any other line of research.

AREA 2 – Public Policy, Private Relations, and Development

Research Line III – Public Policy, Civil Society and the Protection of Persons

- **Conflict of norms in space**
- **Consumer, Sustainability and Supplier Liability**
- **Law and Science/Bioethics**
- **Transnational Environmental Law**
- **Personality Rights**
- **Advanced Legal Seminar III**
- **Advanced Topics in Civil Liability**

Specific Courses

The student must complete 4 courses in the chosen line of research, and 1 course from any other line of research.

AREA 2 – Public Policy, Private Relations, and Development

Research Line IV – Public policy and economic development

- **Global Administrative Law**
- **Community law**
- **Competition Law**
- **Contract Law and Development**
- **International Economic Law**
- **Corporate Law**
- **New trends in Consumer Law**
- **Intellectual Property and Development**
- **Advanced Legal Seminar IV**
- **Theory of Regulation**

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