



INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2019 COURSE CATALOGUE

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

August 6 - 12	Course Registration* (online)
September 2 - 4	Orientation Program (mandatory)
September 5	Session I Law and German Courses Begin
September 27	Bucerius Academic Ceremony
October 3	German Reunification Day (national holiday – no lectures)
October 18	Session I Lectures End
October 21– 25	Session I Exam Week**
October 31	Reformation Day (state holiday)
November 4	Session II Courses Begin
December 13	Session II Lectures End
December 16 - 20	Session II Exam Week**
December 20	Farewell Ceremony

* It will be possible to add (if space is available!) or drop courses to/from your schedule once the program has started.

**Please note that all exchange students must be physically present in Hamburg for their exams. Exams cannot be rescheduled for individual students. Although most exams will take place during the exam weeks, some may take place during the sessions.

COURSE LIST

SESSION I: September 5 – October 18, 2019

COURSE NAME	CREDITS	PROFESSOR / LECTURER	HOME INSTITUTION
Comparative Law Methodology	1 ABA / 2 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Katharina Boele-Woelki	Bucerius Law School
Essential Themes and Trends in Comparative Corporate Law	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Carsten Jungmann Prof. Dr. Miguel Gimeno Ribes Prof. Dr. Karsten Schmidt	BIRKENSTOCK Group, Neustadt/Wied & Bucerius Law School Universidad de Valencia, Spain
International Commercial Litigation	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Prof Dr. Peter Huber	University Mainz, Germany
International Conflict of Laws	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Hannes Rösler	University Siegen, Germany
Introduction to German Law <i>(mandatory for all exchange students)</i>	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Christian Becker Dr. Johanna Croon-Gestefeld Dr. Anika Klafki Prof. Dr. Hannes Rösler Prof. Dr. Karsten Schmidt	Leibniz Universität Hannover Bucerius Law School Bucerius Law School University Siegen, Germany Bucerius Law School
Introduction to Trusts in a Comparative Perspective	1 ABA / 2 ECTS	Martin Sychold	Swiss Institute of Comparative Law, Switzerland
Law Firm Strategy and Management	1 ABA / 2 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Weiss	Allen & Overy LLP, Germany
Transactional Drafting for Non-Native English Speakers	1 ABA / 2 ECTS	Lana Spangenberg	Bucerius Law School
Transactional Drafting for Native English Speakers	1 ABA / 2 ECTS	Emma Ziercke	Bucerius Center on the Legal Profession

SESSION II: November 4 – December 13, 2019

COURSE NAME	CREDITS	PROFESSOR / LECTURER	HOME INSTITUTION
Business Mediation and Conflict Resolution	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Lars Kirchhoff Dr. Felix Wendenburg	European University Viadrina, Frankfurt
Business Skills: Introduction to Accounting and Finance	1 ABA / 2 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Matthias Meyer	Hamburg University of Technology
Comparative Copyright Law*	1 ABA / 2 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Linda Kuschel	Bucerius Law School
European Capital Markets	1 ABA / 2 ECTS	Dr. Fabian Walla	TUI, Hannover
International and Comparative Competition Law	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Dr. Andre Fiebig	Quarles & Brady LLP & Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, USA
International Commercial Arbitration	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Stefan Kröll	Bucerius Law School
International Commercial Transaction	1 ABA / 2 ECTS	Prof. William P. Johnson	St Louis University School of Law, USA
Introduction to EU Law	1 ABA / 2 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Jörn Axel Kämmerer Prof. Dr. Mehrdad Payandeh	Bucerius Law School
Negotiation**	1 ABA / 2 ECTS	Michael Friedman	Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg

Please note:

* This course will be offered jointly for exchange students and German LL.B. students.

** This course will be offered twice. However, the content of both courses will be the same.

BOTH SESSIONS: September 5 – December 13, 2019

COURSE NAME	CREDITS	PROFESSOR / LECTURER	HOME INSTITUTION
Corporate Governance	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Carsten Jungmann	BIRKENSTOCK Group, Neustadt/Wied & Bucerius Law School
Energy Law	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Dr. Kai Uwe Pritzsche	
Global Trends in Intellectual Property and Digital Media Law*	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Prof. Dr. Dana Beldiman Prof. Arpan Banerjee Prof. Shubha Ghosh	Squire Patton Boggs, USA & Bucerius Law School Jindal Global Law School, India Syracuse University College of Law
Law Firms of Tomorrow	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Markus Hartung Emma Ziercke	Bucerius Center on the Legal Profession
Practical Aspects of Mergers & Acquisitions	2 ABA / 4 ECTS	Dr. Nils Krause	DLA Piper, Hamburg

Please note:

These courses will begin in Session I and continue into Session II with final assignments due/final exams being held in Session II.

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CERTIFICATE IN MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP FOR LAWYERS

Exchange students can opt to enroll in a module of specialized courses intertwining law, economics and management to earn a **Certificate in Management and Leadership for Lawyers** from the Bucerius Center on the Legal Profession.

The Bucerius Center on the Legal Profession (www.bucerius-clp.de) was founded in 2010 and provides know-how on the successful management of law firms and legal departments. It analyzes, researches and teaches practical aspects of professional management and leadership as well as developments in the legal services market.

BUCERIUS CERTIFICATE IN MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP FOR LAWYERS

The following courses will be offered in fall 2019:

1. Business Mediation and Conflict Resolution
by Prof. Dr. Lars Kirchhoff & Dr. Felix Wendenburg (2 ABA / 4 ECTS)
2. Business Skills: Introduction to Accounting and Finance
by Prof. Dr. Matthias Meyer (1 ABA / 2 ECTS)
3. Law Firm Strategy and Management
by Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Weiss (1 ABA / 2 ECTS)
4. Law Firms of Tomorrow
by Markus Hartung & Emma Ziercke (2 ABA / 4 ECTS)
5. Negotiation
by Michael Friedman (1 ABA / 2 ECTS)
6. Transactional Drafting
Lana Spangenberg / Emma Ziercke (1 ABA / 2 ECTS)

The maximum number of participants in certificate courses is strictly limited to ensure the interactive nature of class meetings. In some courses, the selection of students will be conducted by the lecturer to ensure diversity and representation by a range of nationalities.

Students are welcome to follow as many certificate courses as they wish. However, to earn the **Certificate in Management and Leadership for Lawyers**, students must successfully complete a course load of at least 3 ABA/6 ECTS and receive a grade of B or higher in all certificate courses that are followed.

Upon successful completion of the above-listed requirements, students will receive a detailed certificate listing the courses taken and grades earned in each course.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

COURSES SESSION I: September 5 – October 18, 2019

COMPARATIVE LAW METHODOLOGY PROF. DR. KATHARINA BOELE-WOELKI

Participants: max. 50
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

Ever wondered how other legal systems solve particular legal problems? Ever considered whether one can usefully compare national systems? Ever wondered whether solutions abroad could be of use in your jurisdiction? Ever considered how to undertake a comparative legal study? If these questions interest you, then this is the course for you!

During six weeks the lectures deal with various methodological aspects of comparative law. Emphasis will be put on private law issues. Instructions will be provided as to how a comparative legal study is to be carried out. In addition, comparative legal studies will be critically analyzed and compared. Moreover, it will be examined how governmental, European and international organizations, including the courts, use comparative law to support their arguments. At the end, the aims and objectives of comparative legal studies will be revisited.

ESSENTIAL THEMES AND TOPICS IN COMPARATIVE CORPORATE LAW PROF. DR. CARSTEN JUNGSMANN, PROF. DR. MIGUELL GIMENO RIBES, PROF. DR. KARSTEN SCHMIDT

Participants: max. 36
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

The course will familiarize the participants with the key principles of (Continental) European corporate law and highlight some major deviating corporate law concepts in other jurisdictions. The approach is comparative, including an economic analysis of the issues under review.

One essential topic (i) is the justification of the incorporation of legal entities and of the concept of limited liability, especially from the perspective of creditors. Two fundamentally different means of creditor protection (systems of legal capital and solvency test based regimes) will be in the focus as far as the maintenance of the corporation's capital is concerned.

Another theme is (ii) the analysis of the rights (and the limit of the influence) of the owners of a firm. Shareholder-oriented and director-oriented systems of the organization of incorporated entities (as well as their legal and economic implications) will be contrasted.

The financing of businesses, another major subject of the course, varies from jurisdiction to jurisdiction and in different business situations. In this regard, the course deals (iii) with the different sources and nature of finance provided to businesses by investors and creditors including: public and private equity, debt capital and hybrid forms of finance.

In addition, the course turns to the role of financial intermediaries in the listed corporate sector. In particular, the course will consider (iv) the role of institutional investors and other intermediaries such as asset managers and proxy advisory firms in the investment chain. A key focus will be on institutional shareholders and recent trends in institutional activism. Students will be introduced to the EU Shareholder Rights Directive and will gain knowledge of key regulatory concepts in this area of the law.

Finally, the course (v) focuses on a typical situation (in one of the first financing rounds) for start-up businesses in different jurisdictions and deals, from a legal and from a practical perspective, with the typical financing forms, especially venture capital financing, available in different countries of the world.

INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

PROF. DR. PETER HUBER

Participants:	max. 50
Level / Pre-requisites:	Basic / none
Attendance:	Bucerius attendance policy applies

The course deals with cases where an international commercial transaction has given rise to a legal dispute between the parties and where this dispute is not decided by arbitration. In such a scenario, the parties have to litigate before the domestic court of a State. This raises a number of difficult issues, a selection of which will be dealt with in the course, primarily from a European (EU) and from a US perspective.

One part of the course will be devoted to the issue of international jurisdiction: In which state's courts can the plaintiff bring his lawsuit against the defendant? What if there are several states that offer a ground of jurisdiction? Why does it matter at all whether a dispute is litigated in one state rather than in another? Can the parties in their contract choose the forum in which future claims will be litigated?

The other part of the course will deal with a selection of specific issues: What if the court which is seized with the lawsuit regards itself as an inappropriate forum (*forum non conveniens*)? What if the same lawsuit is brought twice, but in different states (*lis alibi pendens*)? What are the so-called "torpedo claims"? Is it possible to prevent the other party from bringing a lawsuit in a certain state by way of an "antisuit injunction"? Will a judgment from the courts of one state be recognized and enforced in other states? In how far can evidence be taken abroad?

The course will be conducted in a seminar format during which we will discuss specific issues in class. This format requires that students have read the reading assignments in advance. A schedule is given below; please bear in mind that the time allocation is only tentative – some topics might take a bit longer than expected, others might be dealt with more shortly. Depending

on how the class proceeds, we may also have to leave out one of the topics, if time requires us to do so.

INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT OF LAWS

PROF. DR. HANNES RÖSLER

Participants: max. 50
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

Conflict of Laws is of increasing relevance for cross-border transactions and private lives and thus attracts growing interest by international practitioners and academics. The structure of the course reflects the three important steps in dealing with an international case, i.e. which court has international jurisdiction, which country's law applies in substance to the case as well as how to recognise and enforce foreign judgements. Particular attention will be devoted to areas of contract, consumer, employment, tort, defamation, property and company law. The main instruments analysed will be those of the European Union (i.e. the Brussels Ibis, Rome I and II Regulations), but also further sources relevant to civil and commercial matters will be covered. The different approaches of these instruments be discussed in a comparative perspective going beyond Europe where appropriate. The course will also address further issues of international civil procedure (e.g. proof of law, service of documents) and it will touch on family and succession law. The course will finish with a look to the future, considering the prospect of a further world-wide unification of private international law and procedure.

INTRODUCTION TO GERMAN LAW

PROF. DR. CHRISTIAN BECKER, DR. ANIKA KLAFKI, N.N.

Participants: mandatory course for all exchange students
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: no attendance required

This course is designed to introduce the core aspects of German Law. It opens with observations about the German legal system and its position in the European Union; course participants will then explore legal education and the role of different legal professions in Germany. The sessions that follow will offer insight into German Public, Private and Criminal Law.

German Public Law: This section of the course is intended to familiarize participants with basic notions, concepts and principles of German Constitutional and Administrative Law. This will include insights into the history of the modern German constitutional state as well as some leading decisions of the Federal Constitutional Court. When suitable, a comparative perspective will be taken.

German Private Law: This section will begin with a look at some peculiarities of the German legal tradition. It will then focus on the procedural law and further issues relevant for understanding the mentality of German lawyers. This will be followed by the essentials of contract and tort law (especially those of interest from a comparative perspective). Finally, an overview on the remaining areas of private law within a European context will be provided.

German Criminal Law: This section of the course will explore the foundations of German Criminal Law with an emphasis on fundamental legal principles, e.g., the principles of legality and

culpability; it will also offer an overview of how criminal proceedings work. Special focus will be given to the three-stage system in which criminal behavior is analytically reconstructed.

INTRODUCTION TO TRUSTS IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

MARTIN SYCHOLD

Participants: max. 50
Level / Pre-requisites: Beginner / none
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

The principal aim of the course is to permit all participants to grasp the elements and mechanisms of the trust. The fundamental legal framework of the trust was originally developed in England as an instrument of succession planning. It was subsequently introduced into British colonies around the world, which currently represent a very large part of the global population and economy. In modern legal practice, trusts are employed for a wide range of purposes. It is important for all lawyers to understand the fundamental legal concepts involved and have an overview of the legal practice. A secondary aim of the course is to analyze the trust from a comparative point of view. An understanding of functionally similar institutions in legal traditions other than the common law can provide a clearer understanding of trusts and of the legal and political issues they raise.

The course is not designed for those who have already studied trust law and wish to improve their knowledge of those norms. Participants do not need any prerequisite legal knowledge.

LAW FIRM STRATEGY AND MANAGEMENT

PROF. DR. WOLFGANG WEISS

Participants: max. 24
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

This course introduces participants to the theory of the strategy and management of law firms and compares them with the management of a public listed corporation. As archetypes, the (large) corporation and the (international) partnership model will be discussed. Using and working with Harvard case studies, participants will explore strengths and weaknesses of the two different models. In the second part of the course, the theory and daily commercial management of law firms, including operational, financial and risk aspects, will be introduced and discussed. The course will help the participants to better understand "Big Law" and shape their own career goals.

TRANSACTIONAL DRAFTING
LANA SPANGENBERG (NON-NATIVE ENGLISH SPEAKERS)
EMMA ZIERCKE (NATIVE ENGLISH SPEAKERS)

Participants: max. 24 in each section
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

The course consists of six classes each consisting of two one-hour components. In each class, the first hour begins with an introductory lecture examining common themes and problems in transactional writing and ends with a written exercise. The second hour is devoted to a commercial transaction in which students will draft, negotiate, review/redraft and finalize contractual provisions. Students will work in pairs throughout the transaction.

Active class participation is encouraged.

COURSES SESSION II: November 4 – December 13, 2019

BUSINESS MEDIATION AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

PROF. DR. LARS KIRCHHOFF AND DR. FELIX WENDENBURG

Participants: max. 22
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Full attendance required (i.e. 100%)

This course aims to teach both the practical skills and theoretical background of professional conflict management and resolution with a focus on the interest-based method of mediation.

Several areas of business conflict management will be introduced, including the management of workplace conflicts, choice of procedure in inter-business conflicts and the interplay between mediation and arbitration.

The main subject during the first class will be conflict and communication analysis, followed by the techniques and methods of conflict management.

Students will learn to deal with conflicts systematically and constructively by means of several role-plays and simulations, which will be individually analyzed. Class preparation will include reading articles and book excerpts.

BUSINESS SKILLS: INTRODUCTION TO ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

PROF. DR. MATTHIAS MEYER

Participants: max. 30
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Full attendance required (i.e. 100%)

Accounting and Finance are often described as the “language of business”. The course will introduce students to some of the fundamentals of accounting and finance. This includes financial accounting (e.g., balance sheets, income statements), financial statement analysis (key earnings and balance sheet ratios), basic methods for evaluating investments (e.g., net present value calculation, internal rate of return) and forms of financing (e.g., equity and debt financing, leverage effect).

COMPARATIVE COPYRIGHT LAW

PROF. DR. LINDA KUSCHEL

Participants: max. 30; course will be offered jointly for exchange and German LL.B. students
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

This course explores the law of copyright in France, Germany, the United Kingdom and the United States. The different rationale behind the protection of creative works will be explained and landmark cases, here and abroad, with similar facts but different legal reasoning will be compared. The course is structured in three parts:

In the first part, early forms of protection for creative works in ancient times and the middle ages are traced back. We will then explore the development of elaborate systems of protection, especially the “copyright”-system in the UK (and the US) on the one hand, and the “author’s right”-system in Continental Europe on the other.

The second part of the course will outline today’s copyright protection in France, Germany, the UK and the US, taking into account the influence of international and European legal frameworks. Landmark cases in the different jurisdictions will be presented and discussed.

The last part of the course will focus on current cultural developments and challenges posed by new communication technologies and the digitization. We will discover how the different legal systems cope with these issues and contextualize recent judgments, in particular those of US courts and the ECJ. Moreover, we will follow-up on the on-going debates, here and abroad, on how the law should be reformed.

EUROPEAN CAPITAL MARKETS

DR. FABIAN WALLA

Participants: max. 50
Level / Pre-requisites: Intermediate
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

The course examines the European regulation of capital markets and the EU’s way to a capital markets union. A major focus is on the harmonized regulatory regime which applies to market participants across the Member States and on the instruments of public and private enforcement. Further topics covered include: the foundations of capital markets law in the EU, the institutional structure for law-making and for supervision, the regulation of market abuse and insider trading, the system of disclosure as well as public take-over law.

INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE COMPETITION LAW

DR. ANDRE FIEBIG

Participants: max. 50
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

The number of countries around the world which have adopted competition laws has increased dramatically in the last several decades. The reasons why increasingly more countries have adopted competition laws vary significantly. Commensurate with the explosion of the number of competition law regimes has been the globalization of business activity. The significance of national borders as barriers to business activity has decreased dramatically. Moreover, the jurisdictional reach of competition law is based on the effects of the business conduct and not on the location of the actors. This means that domestic law can be applied extraterritorially. These developments—extraterritorial jurisdiction, globalization and the increase in the number of competition law regimes—has led to political conflict, increased compliance costs for businesses and the need for solutions including a more in-depth understanding of foreign competition laws. An understanding of multiple competition law regimes is not just an academic

curiosity, but it is a practical necessity. This survey course is designed to explore the themes raised in the literature and in the practice related to the application of national competition law in an international context.

INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION

PROF. DR. STEFAN KRÖLL

Participants: max. 40
Level / Pre-requisites: Advanced (basic knowledge of Conflict of Laws required)
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

The course covers arbitration as a dispute resolution process for international trade and business disputes. It analyzes the different forms, contractual and legal bases, and advantages of arbitration. Issues discussed include the arbitration agreement, the jurisdiction of the arbitral tribunal, the role of the courts during and after arbitration proceedings and the recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards.

The course gives special attention to the international framework of arbitration, in particular, the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration, which forms the basis of the national arbitration laws in 80 states, as well as the New York Convention (UN Convention on Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards), which has been ratified by more than 150 states and regulates the recognition and enforcement of arbitration agreements and awards worldwide.

The course focuses on commercial arbitration as an international phenomenon and not on arbitration under any particular national system.

INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS

PROF. WILLIAM P. JOHNSON

Participants: max. 50
Level / Pre-requisites: Intermediate (Previously completing a course in the law of contracts and having some familiarity with corporate law or company law are required.)
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

This course will cover a variety of issues that arise when businesses engage in commercial activity across national borders, implicating domestic, foreign and international bodies of law relevant for international commercial relationships and arrangements. The focus of the course will be on issues that non-U.S. legal counsel should consider when their clients negotiate or perform under international commercial contracts with U.S. (and other foreign) counterparties.

The course will cover background matters generally applicable across a broad spectrum of international commercial contracts, including the fundamental nature of cross-border practice; planning for and managing international dispute resolution; the ethics of international practice; and so on. The course also includes a more particular focus on certain kinds of contracts that are frequently made in the international context, including distribution and commercial agency agreements.

INTRODUCTION TO EU LAW

PROF. DR. JÖRN AXEL KÄMMERER, PROF. DR. MEHRDAD PAYANDEH

Participants: max. 50
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

Students will develop an understanding of the basic legal aspects of the European Union and foundations of its legal order. This will include an overview of its history, an in-depth look into the Union's institutional framework and basic principles of EU Law. Emphasis will be placed on basic freedoms and their theoretical conceptualization. Leading judgments of the European Court of Justice will be presented and discussed in class. The course will also address topical issues as far as time permits.

NEGOTIATION

MICHAEL FRIEDMAN

Participants: max. 22
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Full attendance required (i.e. 100%)

This will be offered twice. The content of both sections will be the same.

The Negotiation course offered as a part of the Bucerius International Exchange Program is a workshop-style course (comprising three four-hour sessions) that is centered on the input and participation of its twenty-two enrollees. The primary thrust of the class will be to explore the fundamental tension and interrelation between creating and capturing negotiation value. Rather than prescribing a rigid formula for completing a negotiation, the course will ask students to consider how their own personal styles, strengths and weaknesses influence both the negotiation process and the outcomes achieved.

Students will be evaluated based on (i) a short submission in connection with a group task (15%) and (ii) an essay paper (85%) that will be assigned at the conclusion of the course. The essay question will consider topics covered in class as well as those addressed in the Course Reader assigned in connection with the class. Consistent with ECTS guidelines, the word count of the essay will be set at a maximum of 2,500 words. In connection with other individual simulations, students can expect to receive brief (ungraded) preparatory tasks to be completed outside of class.

All lecture slides will be made available to the students via the Exchange Program's online platform. Commercial simulations will be purchased by the program and provided to the students at no additional cost.

Attendance at each of the three sessions is mandatory.

COURSES BOTH SESSIONS: September 5 – December 13, 2019

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

PROF. DR. CARSTEN JUNGMANN

Participants:	max. 36
Level / Pre-requisites:	Advanced / "Essential Themes and Trends in Comparative Corporate Law" or an equivalent course at your home law school
Attendance:	Full attendance required (i.e. 100%)

Corporate governance has become a research discipline of its own with a strong emphasis on interdisciplinary elements. This course familiarizes students with the various theories on corporate governance and with the legal (and non-legal) rules forming the basis for corporate governance questions in (listed) stock corporations (especially the so-called Corporate Governance Codes).

In addition, the course analyzes the (executive) directors' fiduciary duties as well as the tasks and rights of those who have control over the management and thus play a vital role in the corporate governance structure (shareholders, non-executive directors/members of the supervisory board, and auditors).

As the course takes a comparative approach, recent trends on the European level, as well as in the US and in the UK, will be taken into account. Case studies form an integral part of this course. Accordingly, all students must be willing to take part in group work and participate actively in group presentations.

ENERGY LAW

DR. KAI UWE PRITZSCHE

Participants:	max. 30
Level / Pre-requisites:	Basic / none
Attendance:	Bucerius attendance policy applies

The course provides in 12 sessions an overview of energy law and how it structures and shapes the German energy sector in times of the 'Energy Transition' (Energiewende). It presents energy law in the interaction of German and European energy law and on a comparative basis. The course shall be taught on an interactive basis with the participants' contributions.

The utilization of energy in the industry, in offices and at home is one of the central elements of modern society. Thus, the energy sector today plays an important role in every industrialized economy and society at the intersection of public law and private law. The partly conflicting goals of security of supply, economic efficiency and environmental sustainability are shaping today's energy law in Germany. At the same time the EU is building a European Energy Union with an integrated internal energy market. Concerns about climate change and environmental protection are driving the vision of a largely carbon-neutral economy in Germany by the year 2050. This is leading to fast-paced change in energy law and the energy industry. The course focusses mainly on electricity and gas. It covers the legal structures for the conventional, fossil fuel based energy industry, including regulation of the unbundled energy grids, as well as the new structures for renewable energies and the "Energiewende".

The number of participants is limited to 30. Each participant should be prepared to provide in the first session a short (max. 2 minutes) overview of particular features of his or her home country's energy supply and some elements of its energy law.

Students receiving credits for the course should present together with one or two other participants in one of the sessions one of the subjects to be provided in advance of the course by the lecturer (10 – 15 minutes). On the second day (for Session 2) there will be two subjects available for presentation which are particularly suitable for students from EU countries and which can be prepared in advance (to register for these please contact the International Office):

- Main objectives and instruments of the EU 'Clean Energy Package'
- Legal instruments of EU energy law (primary EU law, directives, regulations, guidelines etc.)

After the first day's session there will be a get together with food and drinks.

GLOBAL TRENDS IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND DIGITAL MEDIA LAW **PROF. DR. DANA BELDIMAN, PROF. SHUBHA GOSH, PROF. ARPAN BANERJEE**

Participants: max. 30; course will be offered jointly for exchange and German LL.B. students
Level / Pre-requisites: Advanced / a course on IP law at your home law school
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

The course is focused on recent developments that shape emerging trends in the main fields of intellectual property and online law. It is intended for students who have had some exposure to IP law. The lectures will examine law and policy considerations, in relevant jurisdictions, on an international as well as on a comparative basis. Recent trends in international law, as well as patent law, copyright and trademark and trade secret law will be discussed.

LAW FIRMS OF TOMORROW **MARKUS HARTUNG, EMMA ZIERCKE**

Participants: max. 36
Level / Pre-requisites: Basic / none
Attendance: Bucerius attendance policy applies

Tomorrow's legal world is evolving, and the legal profession is having to re-invent itself. This poses all sorts of questions for the lawyers of the future. What sort of work will I be doing in the future? Will I even be advising clients face-to-face? What will become of the billable hour and the pyramid structure? Will my legal training still be relevant? What is a legal technologist?

Law firms are being pushed and pulled in many different directions; from changes in the way clients buy legal work, to new entrants in the legal market; from new technologies, to alternative ways of working. One thing remains certain: lawyers need to be on top of these changes.

This course has been designed to provide students with an up-to-date and forward-looking understanding of law firms as business entities in an evolving environment. As an up-and-coming lawyer, you will have a front row seat in this revolution and will even be able to influence the future of the profession. This course will help you answer the following questions:

- Are law firms all the same? What does law firm strategy look like? What is happening in the legal market? How are law firms reacting to the changing business environment? How does the law firm business model work? Is it changing? Do law firms just offer law?
- Is legal tech just hype? How are law firms actually using it? What are the threats and opportunities it presents for law firms? What does it mean for my interactions with clients?
- Can law firms be innovative? What is “innovative” in the context of legal services? What is Legal Design Thinking? Can I actually use it in my day-to-day job in a firm?
- Like it or not, law is a business. How can I reach my prospective clients? How can I win new work? Law firms’ greatest resource is their human capital; what does modern-day diversity mean and why is it important? Do law firms need adapt to accommodate Tomorrow’s Lawyers?
- What does the future of law hold? Will there still be law firms in the future? What do the players in the legal market actually think about the current trends? How is Big Law reacting? Do the changes actually affect small players like Spin-Offs?
- Where do I go from here? Armed with all of this new information, how will I manage to juggle everything in my first few days in a law firm? How will I manage my work-life balance, how can I plan my career? What do the partners expect of me?

As part of the course you will be asked to design your own law firm and present your ideas to a panel of judges. It is your turn to look into the future and be creative. What will your law firm be called? Who will be its clients? How will you work? Who will run your firm?

PRACTICAL ASPECTS OF MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS

DR. NILS KRAUSE

Participants:	max. 40
Level / Pre-requisites:	Intermediate
Attendance:	Bucerius attendance policy applies

This course provides a broad overview of corporate mergers and acquisitions and an understanding of the conceptual framework. It covers all relevant steps in the M&A process from preliminary agreements such as the letter of intent to post-closing and integration issues. Other specific subjects covered are due diligence process, negotiating share purchase agreements and hostile takeovers, including defense measures and specialties of distressed M&A transactions. Students are exposed to the most important elements of a typical M&A transaction, including relevant contractual provisions.

The course takes an interactive, practical approach to the topic and centers on hypothetical M&A scenarios. These scenarios are used to illustrate the legal and practical context in which mergers and takeovers take place. Throughout the course, students are asked to address these topics from the perspective of the various players in an M&A process (e.g. by negotiating a letter of intent or a share purchase agreement).

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As a lawyer he focuses on conflict management, regulatory matters and professional indemnity issues. In addition, he advises law firms in strategy and management questions and coaches partners in management functions. He is a regular lecturer and conference-speaker on leadership, management topics and professional ethics and has written numerous articles and book chapters on these topics. He is i.a. co-editor and author of "Wegerich/Hartung: Der Rechtsmarkt in Deutschland" ("The Legal Market in Germany") which came to the market in early 2014 and has developed into a standard reference for the German legal market. He is also Co-author of "How Legal Technology Will Change the Business of Law", a joint study of The Boston Consulting Group and the Bucerius Law School (available here: <http://www.bucerius-education.de/english/lawport/projekte/studien-analysen-und-veroeffentlichungen/>). His recently co-published and co-authored book "Legal Tech. How Technology is Changing the Legal World. A Practitioner's Guide" is the first comprehensive analysis of the impact of Legal

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