Information Law

Master 2018-2019

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Amsterdam Law School
Renowned for its international focus and robust course offerings, the Amsterdam Law School prepares students for a wide variety of legal careers including but not limited to national and European business practice, academia, national and international judiciary, public service and human rights advocacy. With a long-standing tradition of excellence in English-language LLM programmes, the ALS attracts students from virtually every corner of the world.

Information Law
The Research Master in Information Law provides ambitious students with the legal skills that enable them to tackle the complex legal issues that arise in an information society, both from a scientific and practical perspective. The two year selective programme offers outstanding students with an interest in scientific research in the field of information law the opportunity to enhance their knowledge of subjects relevant to information law, to obtain hands-on research experience embedded in one of the world's leading research centers and a semester at a foreign law school abroad.

Students will learn about information law as the area of the law relating to the production, storage, distribution and use of information goods and services. Information law touches upon a wide set of legal issues that are at the crossroads of intellectual property, media law, telecommunications law, freedom of expression and right to privacy.

Institute for Information Law
The programme ties in immediately with the research programme of the Institute for Information Law (IViR). Faculty who teach in the programme are part of IViR.

WHY STUDY INFORMATION LAW AT THE AMSTERDAM LAW SCHOOL?

"I chose the Research Master’s programme because of its small scale and the personal attention to students this would entail. Students get their own room at the Institute for Information Law and regularly take part in discussions with the researchers there. To me, being integrated in the research community is very valuable." Robert van Schaik

"The extensive knowledge that I have gained in the field of information law and the writing skills that I have learned during the research master were very useful when I started working as an attorney at law at one of the top law firms in the field of information law." Sam van Velze
The students' embedding in IViR secures a consistently high level of engagement and exchange giving an advantage to graduates in the professional field in various ways. Over the course of the Research Master’s programme, students take part in ongoing research projects, start publishing their own research and built up their particular expertise. Students have access to work space in the institute, interact with faculty, researchers and the many visiting scholars besides attending regular events, workshops and symposia in the field of information law.

**Study programme**

The programme consists of 120 ECTS credits. This includes two compulsory ‘theory and practice’ courses covering Information Law and Intellectual Property as well as a number of elective courses. At the beginning of their second year, students have the opportunity to study abroad. Students complete the programme by researching and writing an original master’s thesis.

**Application & admission**

The Research Master’s programmes of the Amsterdam Law School are selective, specialised Master’s programmes open to a limited number of motivated, ambitious students. A selection procedure applies whereby students with the most competitive applications will be admitted to the programme.

You have a Bachelor’s degree in law (LLB) from a Dutch university, or an equivalent degree from a foreign university.

Applicants will be selected on the basis of study results and motivation by an Admission Board. The criteria are as follows:

- A GPA of at least a 7.5 (on a scale from 1-10)
- A motivation for the programme with demonstrable affinity with research and with the subject matter of the programme
- Demonstrable experience in the field of the subject matter
- Level of analytic and writing skills
- Curiosity, creativity, and an independent mid-set

Dr. Stef van Gompel
Senior researcher at IViR

Dr. Stef van Gompel is a lecturer in the course Theory and Practice of Intellectual Property Law. “The first thing that strikes me when it comes to students in our Research Master’s programme is their strong motivation and passion. We manage to attract students that not only have above-average grades, but also a clear affinity with information law, an ability to think out-of-the-box and sufficient curiosity and interest to participate in research projects. It is absolutely fun to lecture to such an engaged group of students. The Research Master’s is perfectly suited for students who pursue an intensive, diverse and challenging internationally-oriented study programme.”
Career prospects
The Research Master’s in Information Law is an ideal programme for students who aspire to careers as researchers inside and outside a university, policy makers and leading lawyers of information law at national and international levels. It gives highly talented students a head start on research, and the opportunity to specialize, explore and reflect on important concepts in this particular area. If you aspire to a career in university research, the Research Master’s provides the research skills you will need to pursue a doctorate.

Accreditation and academic title
Upon successful completion of the programme students will receive a legally accredited Master’s degree in Information Law and the title Master of Laws (LLM).

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The ALS is housed in a new campus with state-of-the-art facilities in the center of a vibrant global capital. The campus offers a wide variety of study areas, a law library, roof terrace and a moot court. The campus is surrounded by cafes, restaurants and stores. The Amsterdam Law School is easily reached by public transportation.

Questions about the courses
For specific questions about the content of the research master’s in Information Law, please contact the programme coordinator: K.Irion@uva.nl.

Facts & Figures
Degree: LL.M. Information Law (research)
Mode: full-time
Credits: 120 ECTS credits
Tuition fee 2017-2018
€ 2.006 per year (EEA)
€ 9.600 per year (non-EEA)
Duration: 24 months
Language: English
Application deadline all students: 1 April

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Questions about application and admission
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