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An International
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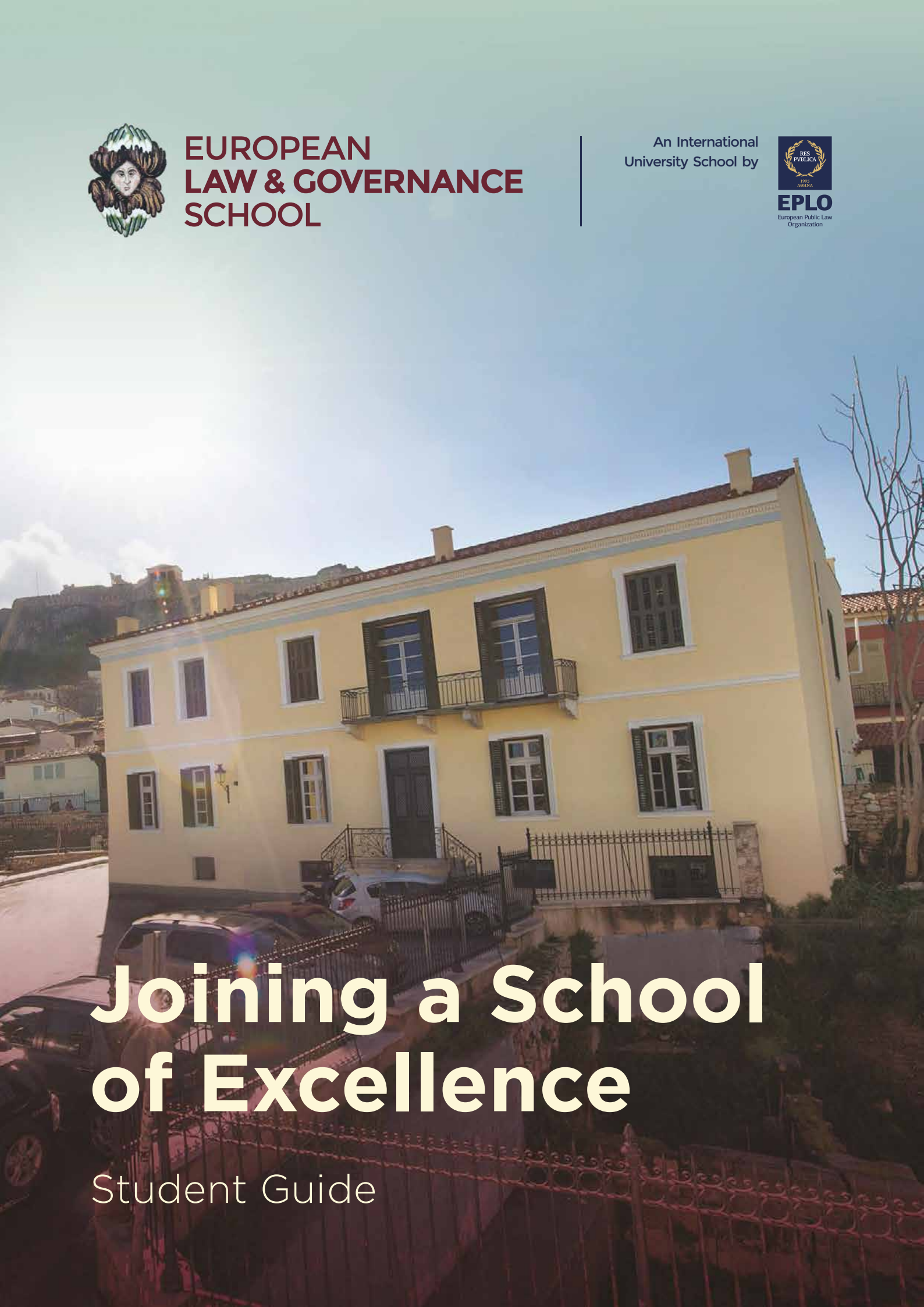
European Public Law Organization



Joining a School of Excellence

Student Guide



EPLO Athens premises
where the postgraduate programs are hosted



Welcome
to the ELGS

In the present, evermore globalized era, there is without any doubt, a need for homogenized curricula at a European level and a need for institutions that can offer students qualifications, knowledge and skills that are recognized across national borders.

Aiming to be continuously at the forefront of research and education, the European Public Law Organization (EPLO) has created an International University School under the name of "European Law and Governance School" (ELGS), which constitutes the materialization of this need.

Why Study at the ELGS:

- Study in the **cradle of democracy** and in a place of rich cultural heritage
- Connect to a network of **30 Universities in across 20 countries**
- Apply learning through interactive courses, study visits and internships
- Join flexible, interdisciplinary programs corresponding to the future needs of Europe
- Conduct research in **up to 10 languages**
- Access an international network of **100+ of the world's best professors**
- Access a comprehensive library and partner universities' resources
- Publish your work through the EPLO's prestigious publications
- Interact with professors through small classrooms



A Message
from the Provosts

There is much more to Europe than open borders, free movement, common institutions and balanced (and often bureaucratic) decision making processes. All of them are not ends in themselves, they are means towards a much wider and noble ambition: to secure peace, democracy, tolerance, fundamental rights, western civilization and the arts.

Europe is undoubtedly going through its most challenging period since its creation, in the aftermath of World War II, but we are convinced that this crisis will be overcome and that Europe has the potential of becoming stronger than ever. In order for this to happen and to ensure that this crisis is not repeated, one of the greatest needs that must be met is the provision of proper education about the values, ideals and functioning of Europe. As a result, it is our aim at the ELGS to give our students the broader perspective and to inform them about European matters and European integration. They will be offered a comparative and interdisciplinary approach to European studies, which is flexible to fit their personal needs, and they will study in an international environment with students, professors and practitioners from throughout the world. Upon completing the program, students will not only understand how Europe works, but gain the knowledge, practical experience, skills and confidence that they will need to go out into society and make Europe better.

PROVOSTS **Prof. Vassilis Hatzopoulos,** *Undergraduate Studies* **Dr. Andreas Pottakis,** *Postgraduate Studies*





Professor Vassilis Hatzopoulos is Professor at the Democritus University of Thrace (Greece), a visiting Professor at the College of Europe, Bruges (Belgium) and an Honorary Lecturer at the University of Nottingham (UK). He practices law at the Athens Bar since 1995 in the fields of Internal Market (emphasis on services and free movement), network industries and public procurement.

He has consulted the Greek government on implementing the EU *acquis* on public procurement, rail deregulation and energy liberalization and in simplifying the regulatory environment (regulatory reform). He has a Ph.D. from the University of Strasbourg, an LL.M. in International Law from the University of Cambridge, he studied commercial law in the University of Strasbourg (Maîtrise) and EC law in the College of Europe in Bruges (DEEA).

Dr. Andreas Pottakis is the Ombudsman of Greece. He graduated from the National and Capodistrian University of Athens, Faculty of Law and he was awarded a doctorate (D.Phil, Oxon) in EU Law from the University of Oxford (Worcester College). He was formerly the Head of Legal Office at the General Secretariat of the Hellenic Government and Attorney at Law, and is Member of the Scientific Council at ECCLE and Alternate Director at the Academy of European Public Law (EPLO).

He has lectured at various European Universities, and most recently in Greece, where he has also pursued a career as a lawyer since 2001. He has considerable experience in organizing and running vocational training and Inter-University courses in several countries in Europe and abroad as scientific director. He has published extensively on a wide range of areas, including, *inter alia*, European Public Law, Comparative Law, Constitutional and Administrative Law, and the legal protection of Human Rights.



ELGS Program announcement
at the Quirinale Palace of Italy, May 18, 2016

The ELGS in Brief



The Conception of the School

The European Law and Governance School is founded upon the belief that the European Union plays a crucial role in ensuring global stability, promoting democracy, and the overall progress of mankind, and that the core values of the European Union must be upheld while it strives for better integration. The ELGS also believes that the key source of hope and the only path to successful integration is through the proper education and training of the youth of Europe.

Inspired by the values that lie at the heart of the European Union, such as fundamental rights, the free movement of professionals, goods and services, and the creation of a single market system, as well as by the challenges and opportunities created by these policies, the ELGS has identified the need to create a new form of education that is Pan-European in character. This education must start at the undergraduate level in order to create and prepare the next generation of legal and governance scholars to work within the fast-evolving European and International institutional structures.

The idea was initially conceived by **Professor Giuliano Amato**, Former Prime Minister of Italy, member of the Board of Directors of the EPLO and currently Honorary President of the Board of Trustees of the ELGS. To that effect, in 2008 the "Group of Rome" was constituted around him and comprised of the most esteemed professors and practitioners. The Group met regularly to discuss the various strategic and operational aspects of the project. As the time passed, the project matured enough for the Board of Directors of the EPLO to decide in 2009 to create an EPLO agency called the "European Law and Governance School", thus providing it with all the necessary tools and empowerment needed to achieve its objective.

The inaugural launching of the School took place with the first symbolic meeting of the Board of Trustees at the premises of the European Parliament in the spring of 2013. The further development of the School followed while 2016 marked the initiation of the Schools' programs. The programs were announced at the Quirinale Palace of Italy in the presence of H.E. The President of the Republic of Italy Mr. Sergio Mattarella on May 18, 2016.

The Story behind the School Logo

The School's logo was inspired by the recently uncovered 6-winged seraphim mosaic of the church of Agia Sophia, in Istanbul which is estimated to be over 700 years old. Furthermore, the phrase surrounding the logo is derived from ancient Greek and is "ΑΜΕΣ ΔΕ Γ'ΕΣΣΟΜΕΣΘΑ ΠΟΛΛΩ ΚΑΡΡΟΝΕΣ". This phrase was used by the Ancient Spartans in what was called the "Circle of Ancient Spartans" and stated what the younger generations were promising their elders, that they will become much better than their generation.

The symbolic significance is substantial, as the archangel was unearthed at a prominent geographical location at the crossroads of civilization, and the phrase surrounding it encompasses the ELGS mission, which is *to constantly strive for excellence*.

The Concept
of the School

The Vision

The vision of the ELGS is to create a generation of youth that will identify themselves as Europeans, that will serve Europe, and that will disseminate the idea, culture and values of Europe throughout the world.

Considering the reforms made within the European Higher Education Area that facilitate the recognition of knowledge and skills across Europe, as well as the European programs designed to mobilize and unite the youth of Europe, the ELGS has combined these values, policies, standards and efforts to create an entirely new form of European tertiary-level education that is holistic, integrated and interdisciplinary in its approach, and which starts from the undergraduate level up until the Executive level, thus covering the needs of legal and governance academics and professionals at all stages of their journey.

Our vision is that the ELGS will create generations of youth, from both inside and outside of Europe, that will be part of the dream of Europe and serve as disseminators of the values of the European Union throughout the rest of the world.



Scope and Goals

The European Law and Governance School (ELGS) is a modern International University School with the aim and **mission to offer Excellence** in tertiary levels of Education in the fields of European Law and Governance.

The School aims to shape socially responsible leaders of the future with inquisitive minds and free spirits.

The ELGS is committed to educating the next generation of Europe and the world's legal practitioners, public administrators and leaders by imparting them with the knowledge necessary to effectively work within the fast evolving European and global institutional structures that transcend national frameworks, and the skills to confront and address the new global opportunities and challenges.

The ELGS provides interdisciplinary undergraduate, postgraduate courses, and Executive Education courses, with fresh material and a unique design.

Three pillars encompass this establishment's **policy and values**:

- to offer Excellence in education through theory, practice, and transversal skills development,
- to promote Innovation and Intellectual Curiosity through a supportive and flexible environment,
- to encourage Change in society by cultivating the European citizens of tomorrow.

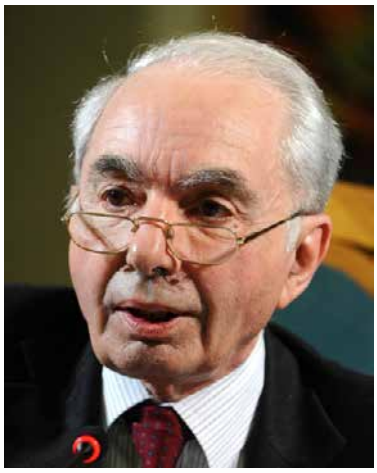
The People

Governance

The ELGS is honored to have the support and partnership of the world's most prestigious universities and to be under the leadership of the leading minds in law and governance scholarship.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Honorary President: Professor Giuliano Amato
Former Prime Minister of Italy



By Niccolò Caranti

Giuliano Amato is currently a judge at the Italian Constitutional Court and Former Prime Minister of Italy from 1992-1993 and from 2000 to 2001. Born in 1938, he studied law at the University of Pisa, where he graduated from in 1960.

He attained his Master's degree in Comparative Law at the School of Law of Columbia University (N.Y.) in 1962. He worked as Full Professor of Comparative Constitutional Law at the University of Rome, School of Political Science, from 1975 to 1997, and is Professor Emeritus of the European University Institute in Florence and of the University La Sapienza in Rome.



FACULTY BOARD

President: Professor Mario P. Chiti
LUISS University, Italy

Mario P. Chiti is professor of administrative law at LUISS University Italy and a lawyer. He has served as Member of the Commission for Constitutional Reform and Member of the Ufficio Studi of the Council of the State in Italy.

He graduated with a law degree from the University of Pisa and continued his studies at the College of Law at the Scuola Normale Superiore.



COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

President: Professor Bertrand Mathieu
University Paris 1 (Panthéon-Sorbonne), France

Bertrand Mathieu is professor of public law at the University Paris 1 (Panthéon-Sorbonne), and is also President of the French Association of Constitutional Law, Vice President of the International Association of Constitutional Law and Director of the Research Center of Constitutional Law at the University Paris 1 (Panthéon-Sorbonne).

He is the author and co-author of many books on constitutional law relating to fundamental rights and freedoms, particularly in the field of bioethics. He received a PhD in Public Law and a Master of Science in Political Studies and History of Institutions from Dijon while his first degree is a law degree.

The People (cont.)

Academic Faculty

The ELGS programs are created and supported by the expansive ELGS International Faculty Network of 100+ legal and governance scholars and practitioners worldwide, the ELGS' Partner Universities across Europe and the world, and the EPLO.

Importantly, students of the program will be granted access to attend EPLO events on key themes in European law and governance and to interact with renowned EU leaders and decision-makers. Students graduate with a clear understanding of the most up-to-date scholarly research as well as of the practical applications of the theoretical knowledge, while a solid professional network to support them in their career after the ELGS. Resident and international teaching staff, with established reputations in their areas of expertise in both academia and the professional worlds supports the ELGS.

- ***International Faculty***

A network of renowned academics and practitioners from throughout the world support the ELGS through various means, such as teaching, remote supervision, and other academic activities. The ELGS International Faculty is comprised of members of the European Group of Public Law, professors from the vast network of Universities that partner with the ELGS and acknowledged practitioners from some of the world's leading institutions.

Teaching is undertaken, among others, by **Emeritus Professor David A. Sonenshein** (Temple University Beasley School of Law), **Professor Elena Ioriatti** (University of Trento), **Professor Pavlos Eleftheriadis** (Oxford University), **Professor Tatjana Papić** (Union University Belgrade) and others.

- ***Resident Faculty***

Locally-based faculty tasked with the delivery of specific modules and other academic responsibilities

International Faculty:



David A. Sonenshein

is currently a Professor at Temple University School of Law. A graduate of Cornell University and the New York University School of Law, Professor Sonenshein has taught at Boston University, DePaul University, and was the Lyle T. Alverson Professor of Law at George Washington University Law School. He has received the Outstanding Professor Award at both DePaul and Temple Law Schools a total of six times.



Tatjana Papić

(LL.M, PhD) is an Associate Professor in International Law at the Union University Belgrade School of Law. She was a Visiting Professor in International Human Rights Law at the Washington and Lee University School of Law (Fall 2013). She is a former Head of Legal Department of the Belgrade Centre for Human Rights. She has published various articles on international and human rights law topics. Her was has been cited by the UN International Law Commission and High Court of England and Wales.



Pavlos Eleftheriadis

is Associate Professor in the Faculty of Law and a Fellow of Mansfield College, at the University of Oxford. He teaches European Union law, Constitutional law and philosophy of law. He is also a barrister in England and Wales and practices in EU and public law from Francis Taylor Building in the Temple. He studied at the Universities of Athens (BA, 1990) and Cambridge (LLM, 1991, PhD, 1995). He has been a lecturer at the London School of Economics, a visiting at Columbia University and a visiting fellow at Princeton.



Elena Ioriatti

is Full Professor in Comparative Law at Trento University, Italy where she teaches Comparative Legal Systems and EU legal translation. She holds a PhD in English and Italian on the European Codification Process. Her main research activity is focused on the relationship between law and language, legal translation, comparative private law, European private law.

ELGS Partner University

Network

EUROPE

Austria
University of Graz

Cyprus
European University Cyprus

Georgia
Caucasus University

Italy
Istituto Universitario Orientale di Napoli
"La Sapienza" University of Rome
University of Florence
University of Trento

Norway
University of Oslo

Portugal
University of Lisbon

Serbia
Union University of Belgrade

Spain
University of Barcelona

Ukraine
Odessa Law Academy

Turkey
Bahcesehir University

Bosnia and Herzegovina
University of East Sarajevo, Republic of Srpska

France
Université Paris 1 (Panthéon-Sorbonne)
Université Montesquieu-Bordeaux IV

Germany
University of Jena
University of Osnabrück

Northern Ireland
Queen's University Belfast

Moldova
University of European Political and Economic Studies "Constantin Stere"

Poland
Jagiellonian University

Romania
National School of Political Studies and Public Administration

Slovakia
University of Central Europe in Skalica
Comenius University in Bratislava

WORLD

Belarus
Belarusian State University, Belarus

USA
Temple University, Beasley School of Law
World Bank

China
China University of Political Science and Law

Resident Faculty:



Lecturer Dr.
Vasilis Leontitsis

(PhD, University of Sheffield) is a political scientist and holds an MA in Political Economy from the University of Warwick and a BA in International Economics and Politics from the Athens University of Business and Economics.



Lecturer Dr.
Korina Raptopoulou

(PhD, King's College London) is an EU lawyer. She holds an LL.M. and LLB from the University of Athens and specializes in Medical and Pharmaceutical Law, Social Security Law, Public Law and Commercial Law.



Lecturer Dr.
Nikolaos Voulgaris

(PhD, King's College London) is a fellow at the Athens Public and International Law Centre. He holds LLMs in PIL from the Athens University and King's College London and has worked for the European Court of Human Rights and the Greek National Committee on Human Rights.

Teaching & Learning

Designed by a body of internationally recognized and acclaimed European academics and practitioners, the programs of the ELGS offer a **supranational approach to law and governance studies in the EU**, and provide students with a great degree of **flexibility** and **mobility.**

The ELGS was designed to provide all students with the opportunities to design their own world-class education. At the heart of this offering is the ability to create majors, minors, and specializations, as well as joint degree programs between the legal and governance tracks. Students have the opportunity to combine studying at the ELGS with mobility to one of the partner Universities or to gain double degrees with some of these Universities. Furthermore, the programs integrate skills courses as well as apprenticeship periods in public administrations, international organizations and law firms.

The range of optional modules and opportunities for student mobility and internships supports a high degree of personalization of studies, enabling students to tailor-make their educational experiences. In accordance with recent trends in higher education, special attention is given to the development of transversal skills and research methodology. At the heart of the ELGS' offering is the ability to create majors, minors and specializations in topics, as well as joint degree programs, which enable students at all levels of studies to take classes from both the legal tracks and the governance programs, so as to ensure a truly interdisciplinary approach to law and governance studies.

Degrees & Courses

Recognition of Degrees of the ELGS/EPLO

- Art. 76 of Law 4310/2014 par. 8 (amending Art. 4 of Law 3328/2005), lays down that higher education degrees issued by International Organizations to which the Hellenic Republic is a party are equivalent to the degrees delivered by the Greek public higher education institutions.
- The degree programs offered by the ELGS are recognized by the network of Universities that have signed agreements with the ELGS.

I. UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

The legal track of the ELGS Undergraduate studies aims to shape the European lawyer of the new era, focusing on the European perspective of the legal profession, while highlighting the common legal traditions of European states and the principles that underpin the discipline on a global scale. The ELGS Undergraduate curriculum in Governance focuses on European governance studies, without ignoring the global dimension of governance, contributing thus to the creation of a new generation of highly skilled administrators and leaders.

LLB in European Law

This uniquely designed and cutting-edge **three-year taught undergraduate law degree program** lies at the heart of the mission of the ELGS as an academic hub of European integration.

The main objective of the program is to offer students an in-depth look at the functioning of the European legal order in its capacity as a derivative of international law and as an amalgamation of national legal traditions and European Union law. By unprecedentedly combining theories of EU law, public international law and the general legal traditions of national jurisdictions, students should acquire a comprehensive view and understanding of the EU's mission, progress and roadmap.

Using as a toolbox specifically designated and diversified compulsory and optional modules, students will be able to unravel the complex process of European legal integration. Dependent upon the selection of elective modules, a specialization may be followed (EU Law, European and Global Business Law or a national law of their choice).

The LLB in European law is created and supported by the **expansive ELGS International Faculty network** of over 100 legal and governance scholars and practitioners worldwide, the ELGS' Partner **Universities across Europe and the world**, and the **EPLO**. Importantly, students of the program will be granted access to **attend EPLO events** on key themes in European law and governance and to **interact with renown EU leaders and decision-makers**. Students graduate with a clear understanding of the most up-to-date scholarly research in the field of European Union law, as well as the practical applications of the theoretical knowledge, and a solid professional network to support them in their career after the ELGS.

To whom it is addressed

This degree is ideal for students that:

- seek positions in EU institutions and bodies,
- desire to be lawyers in large legal firms operating at a EU level, are from outside of the EU but must interact with the EU,
- desire to be legal advisors working at cross-border levels within the EU, and
- aim to be national public administrators that work on an EU level
- students aspiring to engage in legal research



Program Benefits

This program enables students to better understand the current context, framework and long-term objectives of the EU in its mission for the full integration of member states, and also enables students **a great degree of flexibility, mobility and personalization** of their studies . Through the many partnerships of the ELGS, **students can further on specialize in a national law of their choice by studying abroad** at the many partner universities and institutions throughout Europe and the world.

Additionally, students will need to serve as interns in return for course credits, thus **gaining invaluable on-the-job experience** and **building a professional network** to support them after graduation. By the end of this program, students will be able to understand the origins of EU legal integration, its systems and framework, where the challenges lie, and where more work needs to be done.

Program Content

The LLB in European law is a **three-year taught degree program**, earning a total of 180 ECTS credits. Courses are led by key theorists and practitioners in their fields, and delivered through classic lectures and interactive tutorials. Some courses will also integrate other teaching methodologies where appropriate, such as moot courts, site visits to various public and private offices, as well as group presentations. Students must successfully complete 18 compulsory modules and select from a list of optional modules, which include skills courses and an internship.

The list of available courses for 2017-2018 are as follows:*

Courses

Year 1

Compulsory Modules

1. Skills Course: Research, Basic Drafting, Presentation & Student Reviews
2. Modern History of Europe and the Evolution of Legal and Political Systems
3. Intro to legal systems and legal reasoning
4. Intro to Politics
5. EU law I: Institutions, Governance and Basic Principles
6. Constitutionalism and Comparative Constitutional Law
7. Public International Law
8. Introduction to Comparative Law

Elective Courses

1. Foundations of Political Philosophy/ Western Political Thought
2. Introduction to economics (micro and macro)
3. Comparative federalism
4. General Principles of Criminal Law

Year 2

Compulsory Modules

1. EU law II: Internal Market and Competition Law
2. Rights Framework: EU; ECHR; National Constitutions
3. General Principles of Civil Law
4. EU Law III: The EU Area of Freedom, Security and Justice
5. European Civil Law (Private International Law)
6. Skills Course: Rhetoric & Mock Trials

Elective Courses

1. Introduction to National Law
2. Comparative Law of Contracts (England, France, Italy and Germany)
3. Comparative Law of Torts (England, France, Italy and Germany)
4. European Labour and Social Security Law
5. European and Global Intellectual and Industrial Property Law
6. Cultural Diversity and the Law
7. Legal Theory and Legal Philosophy
8. Behavioural Sciences in Law and Politics

Year 3

Compulsory Modules

1. International Economic Law
2. EU and Global Administrative Law
3. EU and Comparative Commercial Law
4. EU State Aid & State Regulation Law

Elective Courses

1. International and EU Environmental Law
2. EU and International Taxation Law
3. IT and the Law
4. International Criminal Law
5. EU and Global Banking and Finance Law
6. International Investment and Investment Arbitration
7. Essentials of Corporate Finance
8. EMU Law
9. EU Procedural Law: Commission and Courts
10. Law and Economics

BA in European Governance

This uniquely designed and cutting-edge **three-year taught** undergraduate degree program lies at the heart of the mission of the ELGS, which is to offer students an in-depth look at governance in Europe. The program provides students a comprehensive understanding of the world of contemporary governance, with a focus on the European Union, and a cross-disciplinary grasp of its historical, institutional, legal, economic and political dimensions. Moreover, this program will grant students the opportunity to develop critical skills and valuable professional experience that will prepare them for life after graduation.

This pioneering program fills a gap in education about the EU and how it is governed by providing students with a unique interdisciplinary background that will allow them to comprehend its complex reality and interrelated aspects.

To whom it is addressed

This degree is ideal for students that:

- seek positions in EU institutions and bodies,
- aim to be national public administrators that work on an EU and international level
- aim to pursue a career in the areas of public policy, public affairs, civil society organizations, and related sectors
- are interested in further studies and specialization in governance, public policy, politics, and international relations

Program Benefits

This program enables students to better understand the current context, framework and long-term objectives of the EU in its mission for the full integration of member states, and also enables students a great degree of flexibility, mobility and personalization of their studies. Through the many partnerships of the ELGS, students can further specialize in any of the specific subject areas of the program.

Additionally, students will need to serve as interns in return for course credits, **thus gaining invaluable on-the-job experience** and **building a professional network** to support them after graduation. By the end of this program, students will be able to understand the origins of EU legal integration, its systems and framework, where the challenges lie, and where more work needs to be done.

Program Content

The BA in European Governance is a **three-year taught** degree program, earning a total of **180 ECTS credits**. Courses are led by key theorists and practitioners in their fields, and delivered through classic lectures and interactive tutorials. Some courses will also integrate other teaching methodologies where appropriate, such as seminars, site visits to various public and private offices, as well as group presentations. Students must successfully complete 18 compulsory modules and 10 optional modules, which include skills courses and an internship.

The list of available courses is as follows. Elective modules are subsequent to adequate enrollment:

Courses

Year 1

Compulsory Modules
1. Political Theory and Political Concepts
2. Rights Framework: EU; ECHR; National Institutions
3. History of Modern and Contemporary Europe
4. Comparative Federalism
5. Introduction to Economics as a Discipline
6. Skills Course: Presentation, Preparation and Student Reviews

Elective Modules
A. Comparative Law
B. Labor Law Rights
C. Constitutional Law and Comparative Constitutional Law

Year 2

Compulsory Modules
1. Law, Institutions and Governance of the European Union
2. Introduction to Public Administration and Public Law
3. International Relations and International Governance
4. The EU as an International Actor
5. Comparative Politics and Government
6. Skills Course: Introduction to qualitative and quantitative analysis

Year 3

Compulsory Modules
1. Governance, Interests and Policy Networks
2. Europeanization: Potential and Limits of Integration
3. European Security in the 21st Century
4. Politics and Policy making in the European Union
5. Policy Implementation and Policy Compliance
6. Skills Course: Political Advocacy & Negotiations

Elective Modules for Years 2 and 3
A. Central Banking Law
B. Trade Law
C. Essentials of Corporate Finance
D. Law and Religion
E. Law and Environment
F. Global Law

BA in European Law and Governance Studies

This uniquely designed and cutting-edge **three-year taught** undergraduate degree program, also known as **the ELGS degree**, lies at the heart of the mission of the ELGS, which is to offer students an in-depth and interdisciplinary look at key issues of law and governance in the European Union. The program provides students a comprehensive understanding of the world of law and of contemporary governance, with a focus on the European Union. Moreover, this program will grant students the opportunity to develop critical skills and valuable professional experience that will prepare them for life after graduation.

This pioneering program fills a gap in education about the EU, its laws, and how it is governed by providing students with a unique interdisciplinary background that will allow them to comprehend its complex reality and interrelated aspects. Students should choose to follow the first two years of the LLB in European Law program and the last year of the BA in European Governance program, or vice versa. This grants students the option of personalizing their studies as much as possible, depending upon what they hope to do in their future careers.

To whom it is addressed

This degree is ideal for students that:

- seek positions in European and international institutions and bodies
- aim to be national public administrators that work on an EU and international level
- aim to pursue a career in the areas of public policy, public affairs, civil society organizations, and related sectors
- are interested in further studies and specialization in governance, public policy, politics, and international relations
- desire to be legal advisors working at cross-border levels within the EU

Program Benefits

This program enables students to better understand the current context, framework and long-term objectives of the EU in its mission for the full integration of Member States.

Additionally, students will need to serve as interns in return for course credits, thus **gaining invaluable on-the-job experience** and **building a professional network** to support them after graduation. By the end of this program, students will be able to understand the origins of EU legal integration, its systems and framework, where the challenges lie, and where more work needs to be done.

Program Content

The BA in European Law and Governance is a **three-year taught degree program**, earning a total of **180 ECTS credits**. Courses are led by key theorists and practitioners in their fields, and delivered through classic lectures and interactive tutorials. Some courses will also integrate other teaching methodologies where appropriate, such as seminars, site visits to various public and private offices, as well as group presentations. Students must successfully complete 18 compulsory modules and 10 optional modules, which include skills courses and an internship.

Courses

The list of available courses can be seen by viewing the LLB in European Law and the BA in European Governance.



[...] All in all, I enjoy that our School is of a small size because it allows students to really get to know their lecturers. The School as a whole demonstrates a willingness to support and help us out along the way. If we take into account the fact that we are creating new Societies for students to participate in, I believe that it is an excellent place to study and I recommend it to anyone.

Minoas Vitalis, *BA in European Law & Governance Studies, Class of 2016*

II. POSTGRADUATE DEGREES

The ELGS taught postgraduate degrees focus on legal and governance studies and enable students to specialize in EU law or governance issues. A further specialization under each degree program allows students to gain expertise on the banking system in the EU, EU governance, and much more.

LLM in EU Law

This **one-year taught degree** program followed by one semester of independent research, offers students an in-depth look at key issues of European Union law, and enables them to choose from a variety of elective courses addressing the most pressing themes being discussed throughout Europe.

The objective of the program is to offer: **a)** a solid institutional/constitutional understanding of the manner the EU works and the ways it may evolve in the future, **b)** a comprehensive and horizontal vision of the main EU policy areas combined with **c)** a spot-on analysis of some of the most dynamic policy areas. The approach followed will be essentially legal, but the political and other contextual dynamics will also be put into perspective. Students having followed the program shall be in a position to discuss any major EU legal issue, as they will be acquainted with the relevant legislation, case law and scholarly literature. They shall be in a position to offer oral and/or written advice on core questions of EU law and will be able to draft basic court submissions on EU law matters, as well as to write a publishable academic paper.

To whom it is addressed

It is ideal for students:

- with first degrees in legal sciences or in the field of governance
- who desire or require in-depth knowledge in key themes in EU law for their professional advancement
- for legal professionals who wish to access European jurisdictions or who wish to specialize in Banking Law

Study Options

- **One-year taught program in Athens** at the ELGS on EU Law followed by one semester of independent research
- **One semester at the ELGS and one semester study abroad** at one of the ELGS' partner universities: Qualified students will have the opportunity to study abroad during the second semester of their studies at one of the ELGS' partner universities.
- **Double-degree program with Temple University:** one year at the ELGS (EU Law) and one year at Temple (US Law). Before applying, students should also carefully consider this double degree program with Temple University, a two-year program, where students will take the LLM at the ELGS and followed by one year at Temple University as part of their LLM for Foreign Lawyers. Upon successful completion of the double degree program, students will be eligible to register for the American Bar Exam.

This LLM program can be a student's first step towards a research degree (MPhil or PhD).

Program Content

The LLM in EU law is a **one-year taught** degree program followed by one semester of independent research with a thesis requirement, earning **a total of 90 ECTS credits**. Courses are led by key theorists and practitioners in their fields, and delivered through classic lectures and interactive tutorials. Some courses will also integrate other teaching methodologies where appropriate, such as moot courts, site visits to various public and private offices, as well as group presentations. Students must successfully complete 6 compulsory modules and 2 optional modules, followed by a 15,000 word thesis.

Courses

Compulsory Modules

- The Constitution of the EU and EU External Relations Law
- Judicial Protection
- Competition Law
- European EMU Law
- EU Environment and Energy Law
- From Market Freedoms to Citizens

*Elective Modules**

- EU Capital Markets Law
- EU Asylum and Migration Law
- EU Consumer Protection Law
- Fundamental Rights
- EU Banking Law

* Course availability is subject to adequate enrollment



The quest for knowledge might be a lifelong journey that leads our steps to remarkable destinations that make our dreams come true. ELGS is definitely a place that broadens the horizons of its students and provides them with the necessary tools of achieving their goals and quenching their thirst to learn. Studying in ELGS is an unforgettable experience due to the combination of high quality education and a marvelous atmosphere that promotes learning. What else to wish for?

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MA in Governance

This **one-year taught** degree program followed by one semester of independent research offers students an in-depth look at key issues of Governance, and enables students to choose from a variety of elective courses leading to a specialization in EU or global governance and addressing the most pressing themes being discussed throughout Europe.

To whom it is addressed

It is ideal for students:

- with first degrees in the political and/or legal sciences
- who desire or require in-depth knowledge in key themes related to governance, with a special focus on the EU, for their professional advancement.

Students should note that this program can be a first step towards a research degree in the field of governance studies, specifically the MPhil or PhD.

Program Content

The MA in Governance is a one-year taught degree program followed by a thesis requirement (one semester), earning a total of **90 ECTS credits**. Courses are led by key theorists and practitioners in their fields, and delivered through classic lectures and interactive tutorials. Some courses will also integrate other teaching methodologies where appropriate, such as site visits to various public and private offices, as well as group presentations. Students must successfully complete 6 compulsory modules and 2–4 optional modules, followed by a 15,000 word thesis.

Courses

Compulsory Modules:

- Governance and Public Policy-Making
- The Political Economy of State, Society and the Market
- Research Methods for Governance Studies
- Public Administration and Public Management
- European Integration and EU Governance
- International Institutions and Global Governance

Elective Modules:

- Theoretical Approaches to Public Governance
- Comparative Politics and Governance
- Human Resources in Public Administration/Organizations
- Reform Trends in Governance
- Values, Ethics, and Public Policy
- Leadership, Negotiations and Social Influence (Theory and Practice)
- Governance in Various Sectoral Policy Fields
- Risk Governance
- Conflict Governance
- Forms of Regulatory Governance
- Development of Personal Skills

* Course availability is subject to adequate enrollment

III. RESEARCH DEGREES

The ELGS Research Degrees are modern programs of the highest academic standard, which have been designed with flexibility and mobility in mind. The International Faculty Network is comprised of professors and practitioners from throughout the world, which enables students to conduct research on a wide range of topics, in many countries and in up to 10 languages*.

* Pending upon availability of an appropriate supervisor

Master of Philosophy

The ELGS Master of Philosophy is a **2-year degree program** which enables students to conduct independent research in the fields of Legal Research, Governance Studies, or on an interdisciplinary topic. It is supported by the expansive ELGS International Faculty network of over 100 legal and governance scholars and practitioners worldwide, the ELGS' Partner Universities across Europe and the world, and the EPLO. Students graduate with a clear understanding and awareness of the most up-to-date scholarly research, as well as a solid network to support them in their career after the ELGS.

Successful applicants will be assigned a supervisor, based upon their academic interests, from the renowned International Faculty Network of the ELGS. Full time residency is not a requirement for this degree, but students may be required to attend several training sessions throughout the program which will be held at the EPLO premises in Greece. The first training session will introduce students to advanced research methods, while consecutive sessions focus on tutoring and teaching skills. Students are also expected to attend classes, seminars, and lectures, as designated by their supervisors, and to be actively involved in presenting their research findings at conferences throughout Europe and the greater world. Upon completion of the program students will deliver up to a 50,000 word thesis and must successfully defend their thesis before an international jury to attain their MPhil.

While this program encourages mobility and flexibility, students are expected to be devoted full time to their MPhil studies. Candidate students that are employed should be able to balance work and study and deliver their thesis within the established time period.



Program Content

Year 1

- Attend an orientation program in mid- October in Sounion (25 hours of classes in research methods, statistical methods, presentation preparation, public speaking)
- Assign Supervisor and Devise Work Program
- Attend classes and conferences as determined by supervisor
- Meetings with supervisor
- Qualifying Test (10,000 word paper on research proposal, Title, Draft Outline)

Year 2

- Assist in undergraduate tutorials of the ELGS (for resident students)
- Attend classes and conferences as determined by supervisor
- Delivery of Thesis
- Thesis Defense

Master of Studies

The ELGS Master of Studies is a **one-year degree program** which enables students to conduct independent research in the fields of Legal Research, Governance Studies, or on an interdisciplinary topic.

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Successful applicants will be assigned a supervisor, based upon their academic interests, from the renowned International Faculty Network of the ELGS. Full time residency is not a requirement for this degree, but students will be required to attend several training sessions throughout the program which will be held at the EPLO premises in Greece. The first training session will introduce students to advanced research methods, while consecutive sessions focus on tutoring and teaching skills. Students are also expected to attend classes, seminars, and lectures, as designated by their supervisors. Upon completion of the program students will deliver a 30,000 word thesis and must successfully defend their thesis before an international jury to attain their MSt.

While this program encourages mobility and flexibility, students are expected to be devoted full time to their MSt studies. Students that are employed must be able to balance work and study and be able to deliver their thesis within the established time period.

Program Content

- Attend an orientation program in mid- October in Sounion (25 hours of classes in research methods, statistical methods, presentation preparation, public speaking)
- Assign Supervisor and Devise Work Program
- Attend classes and conferences as determined by supervisor and meet with supervisor
- Delivery of Thesis
- Thesis Defense

Doctor of Philosophy

The ELGS PhD is a degree program lasting **a minimum of 3 years** which enables students to conduct independent research in the fields of Legal Research, Governance Studies, or on an interdisciplinary topic

Full-time residency is not a requirement for this degree, but students may be required to attend several training sessions throughout the program which will be held at the EPLO premises in Greece. The first training session will introduce students to advanced research methods, while consecutive sessions focus on tutoring and teaching skills. Students are also expected to attend classes, seminars, and lectures, as designated by their supervisors, and to be actively involved in presenting their research findings at conferences throughout Europe and the greater world. Upon completion of the program students will deliver up to a 100,000 word thesis.

While this program encourages mobility and flexibility, students are expected to be devoted full time to their PhD studies. Students that are employed should be able to balance work and study and be able to deliver their thesis within the established period of time.

Program Benefits

The ELGS PhD program is a modern program of the highest academic standard, which has been designed with flexibility and mobility in mind. Successful applicants will be assigned a supervisor, based upon their academic interests, from the renowned International Faculty Network of the ELGS.

Program Content

Year 1

- Students admitted as Probationary Research Students (PRS)
- Attend an orientation program in mid- October at the Sounion premises (25 hours of classes in research methods, statistical methods, presentation preparation, public speaking)
- Assign Supervisor and Devise Work Program
- Attend classes and conferences as determined by supervisor
- Meetings with supervisor
- Qualifying Test (10,000 word paper on research proposal, Title, Draft Outline)

Year 2

- Successful students from 1st year progress from PRS to PhD status
- Training on 'How to be a tutor' in Sounion (optional)
- Assist in undergraduate and postgraduate tutorials of the ELGS (for resident students)
- Attend classes and conferences as determined by supervisor
- Attend PhD Conference (Year 2 or 3)
- PhD Students submit confirmation Test

Year 3

- Tutorship
- Attend classes and conferences as determined by supervisor
- Attend PhD Conference (Year 2 or 3)
- Students granted leave to supplicate
- Delivery of Thesis
- Thesis Defense

Facilities and Resources

The ELGS offers students the opportunity to live and study in one of the most exciting cities in Europe. As the birthplace of democracy, it is the perfect place to study law and governance. An academic hub, that provides students with unparalleled resources to expand their minds and careers.





The EPLO Library

The European Public Law Library, hosted at the premises in Sounion and exceeding 30.000 volumes, is linked to the top digital libraries in the world. At the same time, the European Review of Public Law, published under the scientific and editorial direction of the EPLO, comprises more than 120 books on public law and more than 90 issues of its quarterly multilingual journal.

ELGS Premises

The EPLO Sounion premises

The EPLO students enjoy the beauty and the tranquility of a traditional collegiate setting amidst a landscape of unparalleled environmental and cultural beauty. The EPLO premises in Sounion that host the Undergraduate programs of the ELGS are one hour away from Athens by car, overlook the Aegean Sea and are located by the bay of Cape Sounion, where the ancient Temple of Poseidon rests.

Sounion combines history with a landscape of unparalleled natural beauty. Its key tourist attraction is the ruins of the Temple of Poseidon, which was built in 444 BC, in honor of the ancient Greek god of the sea.

Sounion facilities occupy 32.5 acres of land and include a large-scale conference room and four (4) seminar rooms.

EPLO building at the foot of the Acropolis

The neoclassical building covers 1000 m², spread over 3 floors. Its construction began before 1830, and today it is considered as one of the most exquisite architectural landmarks of the area. The interior contains ceiling frescoes and the building has been officially classified as a "Historical monument of Greece" by the Ministry of Culture, since 1995. Renovation works that have restored its original beauty have been concluded. The building that hosts the postgraduate programs of the ELGS was inaugurated by the President of the Hellenic Republic in September 2015, while it accomodates today a wide range of the EPLO activities.



Leisure Activities

The Sounion premises are located at the seaside, only steps away from the Aegean Sea with an outdoor open theater and a garden of 30.000 square meters. It is only 4 km away from the ancient Temple of Poseidon in Cape Sounion. Sports facilities include a basketball court, a tennis court and a volleyball court.

Students can spend their free time during summer practicing their favorite sports at the campus' facilities, swimming and participating in water sports at the many nearby beaches and coves, engaging in outdoor activities such as bike riding or running, and spending time with friends on nights and weekends at the nearby town of Lavrio.

A range of optional extra-curricular activities for the body and mind, providing you with the opportunity to explore the Greek nature and culture, are made available through our Student Affairs Department. All activities are subject to attendance and prior notice is required.

Accommodation

The ELGS offers accommodation and transfer packages for international or non-commuting participants. Students who require assistance with accommodation and transportation should contact info@elgs.eu. The EPLO Guest House, located at the EPLO in Sounion (Legraina area), is comprised of 11 double occupancy bedrooms with bathroom, a fully equipped kitchen and open-air sports courts and gardens all facing the Aegean sea. Students may nevertheless choose to make their own accommodation and transportation arrangements.



Life in Athens

Athens is one of the most interesting European capitals, filled with juxtapositions of new and old, east and west. It is at once cosmopolitan and marked by its extensive history, and on the other hand extremely populous and full of contradictions. One thing is striking to all travelers: its warm and hospitable people. Once visited, it quickly becomes your home.

Throughout its long history, Athens has become the core of western civilization. It is the birthplace of democracy and home to a great academic tradition.

It offers a lively social scene, cultural and historical landmarks and strong academic tradition. Greece, and Athens in particular, is noted for its beautiful weather and scenery. Beautiful beaches are easily accessible and the weather is mostly favorable all year round.



Opportunities
at the ELGS

For Prospective Students

- Enroll full-time at the undergraduate level and full-time or part-time at the postgraduate level
- Join the ELGS as an exchange student at the undergraduate and postgraduate level
- Enroll in “joint degree” programs
- Visit us as a researcher or “visiting fellow”
- Attend a summer program
- Attend an Executive Education program

For ELGS Students

- Attend special ELGS events as well as EPLO events and conferences
- Conduct an internship at one of the many partner institutions of the EPLO/ELGS
- Network with the extensive academic and professional network of the EPLO and ELGS, which is over 300 persons combined
- Participate in student groups, such as the MUN society or student union
- Visit and study at one of over 30 partner universities and institutions



EPLO Sounion Premises
Guest house facilities
On the right: Study room



Financing
your Studies

Financial Aid

Scholarships for Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees are available for a select number of students and are merit-based. If you are interested in receiving a scholarship, the appropriate box should be selected on the application form and a 400-600 word personal statement must be submitted, outlining the ways in which you satisfy the criteria.

Students of Research Degrees must be able to provide evidence of sufficient funding to cover the cost of their tuition fees throughout the duration of the program. If you have obtained funding from an outside source, please indicate this in your application. Please note that there are a limited number of scholarships available each year, which are select based upon merit. In the event that you are interested in being considered for a scholarship, please submit a scholarship request in the amount of 400-600 words.

Other Institutions that offer financial aid are:

John S. Latsis Public Benefit Foundation supports both undergraduate students in Greece and postgraduate students from Greece and abroad during their studies.

The Onassis Foundation has established various scholarships programs for Hellenes and Foreigners

Tuition & Fees

Besides the following description on fee structure for the different degree levels, please be advised that there are other direct and indirect costs related to attendance, in addition to tuition fees, such as books, supplies, accommodation and living expenses which must be taken into consideration by students when applying.

The Tuition and Fee Structure for all ELGS Degrees is as follows:

- An application Fee of 50€ is due for all degrees
- Tuition fee per year for full-time students: the amount is described in the website page of the relevant degree
- Accommodation is offered as per request and availability at the EPLO Guest house situated within the EPLO Sounion premises.

For any further information on accommodation packages and living expenses please contact ***info@elgs.eu***

Applying
to the ELGS

The application process is only conducted online at the relevant page of the ELGS website. To apply for a program, students must first review the application form and its requirements to ensure the collection of appropriate material. By the time they have gathered all documentation they should proceed with payment of the onetime application fee either at the relevant online portal or via bank transfer. Students should always add their surname, initial letter of their first name and Degree title in the deposit description. *They can then proceed with their application which can only be conducted online and submit it along with the supporting documentation, listed below.* All support documents must be in electronic form and uploaded at www.elgs.eu to be sent with the application, except for the 2 reference letters, which should be emailed directly from Referees to the relevant program e-mail address.

Application Process for the LLB, BA in European Law and Governance Studies, BA in European Governance

At a glance, the application must include:

- Completed online Application Form in English (please refer to each degree)
- Photograph (scanned and uploaded)
- High School Transcript (scanned and uploaded)
- Certificate of Proficiency in English (if non-native speaker, scanned and uploaded)
- High school Degree in English (scanned and uploaded)
- Personal Statement (400-600 words)
- Scholarship Statement (400-600 words, if applicable)
- 2 Reference Letters (Using supplied form and sent directly from Referee to the relevant program email)
- 2 Academic Writing Samples (uploaded)
- Application fee of 50€ (non-refundable)

Application Process for the LLM, MA & the Double Degree in European Law and US Law

At a glance, the application must include:

- Completed online Application Form in English (please refer to each degree)
- Photograph (scanned and uploaded)
- Most Recent Academic Record (scanned and uploaded)
- Certificate of Proficiency in English (if non-native speaker, scanned and uploaded)
- Law Degree or other Degree (if applicable, scanned and uploaded)
- Personal Statement (400-600 words)
- Scholarship Statement (400-600 words, if applicable)
- Two Reference Letters (Using supplied form and sent directly from Referee to the relevant program email)
- Thesis Proposal (350 words)
- Two Academic Writing Samples (uploaded)
- Application fee of 50€ (non-refundable)

Application Process for the MSt, MPhil and PhD

At a glance, the application must include:

- Completed online Application Form in English (please refer to each degree)
- Photograph (scanned and uploaded)
- Application Fee of 50€
- Most Recent Academic Record (scanned and uploaded)
- Proof of English language skills if none-native English speaker (TOEFL 90, Cambridge Proficiency grade B)
- Proof of proficiency of the language that the thesis will be written in, if non-native speaker
- Personal Statement 400-600 words
- Scholarship Request 400-600 words
- Two Reference Letters (if employed, one must be from current employer)
- Research Proposal 1,500 words
- Two Academic Writing Samples on relevant topic (Master's thesis accepted)





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Guest house facilities

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