

Summer School

German Law and German Legal Methods (6 – 17 August 2018)

In summer 2018, the Faculty of Law of Trier University offers its first Summer School in German Law and German Legal Methods.

The classes of the Summer School will offer an introduction into the most important areas of **German private and public law**. Special emphasis is laid on **legal methodology**. Students will be trained in the German approach to case analysis and statutory interpretation. They will be taught to solve practical cases and write legal opinions on concrete issues. In addition to the basic programme, students are required to choose an Optional subject*. Optional subjects* include criminal law, corporate law, IP/IT law and tax law.

Students will be taught by experienced members of the Trier law faculty. **All teaching is in English.**

The Summer School will last for two weeks. Teaching begins on Monday, 6 August and ends on Friday, 17 August 2018. For students interested in pursuing a research project and in using the libraries of Trier University, it is possible to prolong their stay in Trier for up to two weeks.

The Summer School is open to advanced law students and doctoral students enrolled in foreign universities and colleges and recent law graduates with an interest in German law. The classes will be particularly useful for students who play with the idea of pursuing a Master's or Doctoral degree in Germany and who would like to learn more about the German system of legal education. Students are expected to (1) have a basic understanding of their own legal system and (2) be proficient in oral and written English. **No knowledge of German is required.**

All participants receive a certificate recording their attendance and the number of credits earned. Students will be awarded **6 ECTS credits** for their participation (including a short oral presentation on the final day). Students who prolong their stay may choose to write a paper and submit it for additional credit.

A **participation fee of 100 €** will be charged to all participants. Additionally, participating students will have to pay for their travel as well as for their accommodation and meals during their stay at Trier. The organizers will assist students in finding suitable accommodation on request.

On four days in each week, three classes with a duration of 90 minutes will be taught in the morning and early afternoon. The late afternoons are free for students to review the materials, do their own research, or explore the cultural and architectural treasures of Trier and its beautiful surroundings. On each Wednesday, a guided visit will be offered. Evening lectures on selected topics will give participants an opportunity to get to know further areas of German law not covered by the day classes.

The plan below shows in detail the schedule for the Summer School. **Details are subject to change.**

Course Plan

Week 1	Monday 06.08.	Tuesday 07.08.	Wednesday 08.08.	Thursday 09.08.	Friday 10.08.
09:00	Welcome session, followed by Campus and Library Tour	Public law	Guided Tour: "Places of Law in Trier"	Legal Methods	Private law
10:30		Coffee Break		Coffee Break	Coffee Break
11:00	Private law	Optional subject*		Optional subject*	
12:30	Lunch Break	Lunch Break		Lunch Break	Lunch Break
14:00	Legal Methods	Legal Methods		Private law	Public law
15:30					
20:00	Welcome reception		Evening lecture		
Week 2	Monday 13.08.	Tuesday 14.08.	Wednesday 15.08.	Thursday 16.08.	Friday 17.08.
09:00	Public law	Legal Methods	Visit of Regional Court Trier	Private law	Public law
10:30	Coffee Break	Coffee Break		Coffee Break	Coffee Break
11:00	Private law	Optional subject*		Optional subject*	Private law
12:30	Lunch Break	Lunch Break		Lunch Break	Lunch Break
14:00	Legal methods	Private law		Public law	Optional subject*
15:30					
20:00			Evening lecture	Farewell party	

* Availability of optional subjects depends on the number of participants! We plan to offer the following optional subjects:

- Corporate law
- Tax law
- Criminal law
- IP/IT law

Trier is Germany's oldest city and one of the most beautiful places in the country. Located in the valley of the Moselle river, it was one of the most important cities of the Roman empire. The Roman monuments, of which the Porta Nigra, a fortified city gate, is the most famous, bear testimony to the splendours of Roman Trier. Together with the Cathedral of St. Peter and the Church of Our Lady, the Roman Monuments are inscribed in the UNESCO World Heritage List.

The **region surrounding Trier** offers further cultural treasures like the city of Luxembourg with its old quarters and impressive fortress, the Abbey of Echternach, the former Völklingen Ironworks, the Roman mosaics in Nennig, or the Hospital of St. Nicolas in the beautiful town of Berncastel-Kues.

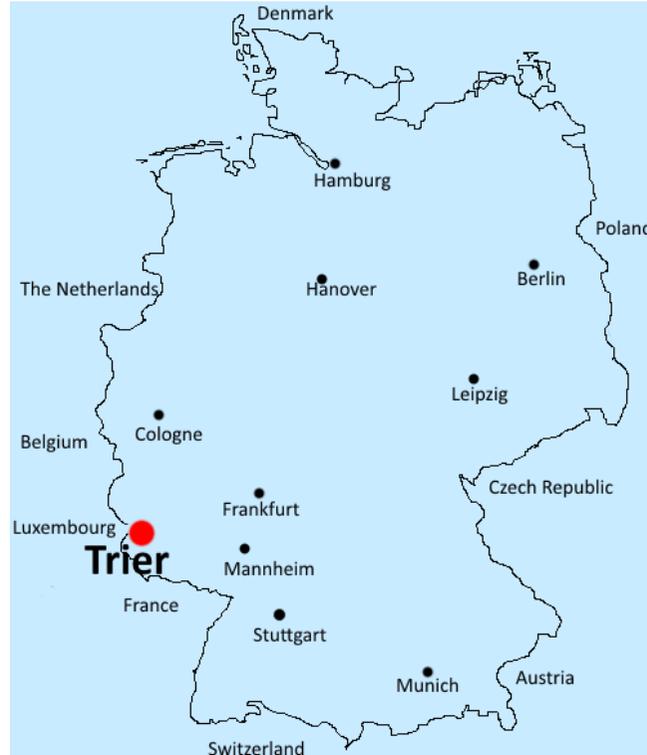


The **University of Trier** is old and new at the same time. It was founded in 1473 but closed down in 1798 following the events of the French revolution. The modern university was re-founded in 1970. Today, it counts more than 13 000 students. The Faculty of Law is well known for its strong international orientation. It was among the first German law faculties to offer courses on foreign legal systems in foreign languages to its students. The Trier Law Faculty also offers one of the oldest LL.M.-programs for foreign lawyers in Germany.



The Faculty of Law proudly uses the old Law Faculty's Great Seal, which shows St. Yves Hélyor, patron saint of lawyers.

Trier is located in the south west of Germany, close to the borders with Luxembourg and France. It can be reached by **car** and **train**. The **airport** of Luxembourg (LUX) can be reached by car in 30 minutes. The airport of Frankfurt Hahn (HHN) can be reached by bus in about one hour. The airports of Cologne (CGN) and Frankfurt's main airport (FRA) can be reached in two hours by car or in about three hours by train.



Enrolment is open **until 15 July 2018**. Participation is limited. Upon acceptance, you will receive an invoice for the participation fee of 100 €. After payment, participation will be confirmed. The fee is **not refundable** in the event of a cancellation after 15 July 2018. A minimum number of participants will be required. If you wish to enrol or if you need further information, please go to our website **summerlawschool.uni-trier.de** or write to Ms. Sarah Lauer (summerlaw@uni-trier.de).

A number of rooms for summer school participants is available at the Hostel Warsberger Hof (www.kolpinghaus-warsberger-hof.de/en). Go to www.trier-info.de/hotel for other offers. If you have trouble locating suitable accommodation, please contact Ms. Lauer.



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