



University of Cyprus
Graduate School

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMME

PLACES FOR THE PhD PROGRAMME IN LAW

FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-2019

July 2018



The University of Cyprus announces that it will be accepting applications for the PhD Programme in Law beginning in **September 2018**, by **Monday, 6th August 2018 until 12 noon**.

DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Twelve (12) places for the postgraduate programme leading to a **PhD** degree are distributed as follows:

- Two (2) places under the supervision of Associate Professor Nikitas Hatzimihail
- Two (2) places under the supervision of Associate Professor Charalambos Papacharalambous
- Two (2) places under the supervision of Associate Professor Tatiana-Eleni Synodinou
- Two (2) places under the supervision of Associate Professor Constantinos Kombos
- Two (2) places under the supervision of Associate Professor Aristoteles Constantinides
- Two (2) places under the supervision of Assistant Professor Costas Paraskeva

Applicants are strongly encouraged to check the research interests and expertise of the academic staff of the Department of Law and get in touch with potential Research Supervisors before submitting their application. Further information is available at the Department's website <http://ucy.ac.cy/law>.

The candidates for the PhD Programme in Law must be holders of an **undergraduate and postgraduate degree in Law** by a recognised University. **Excellent knowledge of the English language** is a mandatory admission requirement. Very good knowledge of a second or third European language may be taken into account.

The final decision for the admission to the PhD Programme in Law will be taken by the Department's Committee of Postgraduate Studies, upon a favourable recommendation of the suggested Research Supervisor. Candidates who meet all admission criteria may be invited to an interview or/and a written examination.

Coordinator of the PhD Programme in Law

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Submission of applications:

Applications can be submitted only electronically, by using the online application system http://ucy.ac.cy/postgraduate_appl_en by **Monday, 6th August 2018 until 12 noon**. Any applications submitted in a printed form will not be accepted.

Applications should include the following:

1. A Curriculum Vitae
2. Certified copies of University degrees (of undergraduate and postgraduate level) or confirmation of graduation (Admitted candidates will need to submit the certified degrees no later than acceptance of the offer of a place to the programme).
3. Copies of Transcripts for all programmes of study (undergraduate and postgraduate).
4. A preliminary (non-binding) research proposal, up to 2000 words, either in Greek or in English, which will identify the suggested Research Supervisor and will describe the candidate's proposed research topic, the proposed research methodology and key literature.
5. At least one (1), and no more than three (3), postgraduate papers or other samples of academic writing.
6. Proof of excellent knowledge of the English language and any other additional language.
7. The names and emails of at least two (2) referees (University Professors) familiar with the candidate and his/her academic performance. The letters of recommendation must be submitted electronically through the online application system by **Monday, 20 August 2018**. The Department may request additional confidential information from referees.

FEES

PhD Programme in Law:

- Total fees €4.000

Structure of the PhD Programme per semester:

The PhD Programme consists of the following research stages, which amount to 240 ECTS:

Research Methodology Course (compulsory for all PhD candidates) (first semester):	30 ECTS
Initial Research Stage/Literature Review (Stage 1, first and second semester):	60 ECTS
Comprehensive Examination* (Stage 2, end of second semester):	15 ECTS
Presentation and Approval of the doctoral dissertation proposal** (Stage 3, end of third semester):	10 ECTS
Final Research Stage (Stage 4, fourth semester onwards):	60 ECTS
Presentation of the research proposal in scientific meetings (Stage 5, fourth semester onwards):	5 ECTS
Writing of the doctoral dissertation (Stage 6, fourth semester onwards):	50 ECTS
Defence of doctoral dissertation (Stage 7, sixth semester onwards):	10 ECTS

* The comprehensive examination consists of (a) a comprehensive literature review of the dissertation topic of up to 12000 words (not including footnotes and bibliography), in the Greek or English language (70% of the examination) and (b) an oral exam of one hour (30% of the comprehensive examination).

** The proposal must be written in English and must not exceed 10000 words (excluding footnotes & bibliography). The written proposal accounts for 70% of the assessment and it is followed by an oral exam of one hour, which accounts for 30% of the assessment. The oral exam may be in English and/or in Greek.

Programme Teaching Language:

The teaching language of the PhD Programme in Law is Greek or English. The doctoral dissertation may be written in English if the candidate has an excellent written and oral command of English, and the Research Supervisor is in agreement.

General information:

For further information, please contact the Department's Secretary, Monday to Friday, from 8:00-14:00.