

Scholarships

for the Master of European Legal Studies - (MELS Online)

2021-2023



The Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of Luxembourg (MFEA) offers **six scholarships** for officials, members of the judiciary, representatives of civil society organisations and legal professions from the following countries: **Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, and Turkey.**

The purpose of the scholarship is to allow six candidates who have already started their professional career to follow the **Master programme in European Legal Studies (MELS Online)** in Luxembourg. The scholarship is intended in particular for applicants with a need of financial support.

Application in short

- Completed MELS application form
- Letter of motivation
- Copies of university study diplomas (at least a Bachelor's degree or *license* level), translated into English or French
- Proof of knowledge of English and French
- A letter of acceptance from the employer

Master of European Legal Studies

Criteria for admission

- **Bachelor's degree.** Diploma in law, political science, economics, European studies or modern languages, etc., will be considered as an advantage;
- Active knowledge of **English or French**, with at least a passive knowledge of the other language to be certified by recognised language diplomas or proofs of residency and/or studies in countries where these languages are used;
- **Commitment** to successfully complete the master programme for professionals which requires attending **4 academic weekends per semester**. Half of the academic weekends will be attended via the online video conferencing software, and half of the academic weekends will require traveling to Luxembourg to attend face-to-face lectures, once public health restrictions have been lifted. Successful completion of the master programme also requires following the online distance learning components of the course, culminating with online exams;
- **Completion of the MELS application form** including a comprehensive **letter of motivation** stating the reasons for application and the ability to cover certain costs (see below the coverage of the scholarship); and
- **Letter of acceptance** from the employer to follow the study programme, explicitly agreeing to necessary absences due to international travel and attending lectures on Fridays.

Admission process

- **Deadline for applications: 14 May 2021**
- Selection of a pool of best candidates (approx. 10) by the Selection Committee
- Online video interviews to be scheduled during the period of 17 May – 7 June 2021
- Decision of the Selection Committee on 8 June 2021
- In case a successful applicant withdraws their registration, the next best candidate will be offered the scholarship.

Scholarship covers

- **Full tuition fee**, including access to all online sessions and materials for distance learning;
- Contribution towards international air **travel expenses** over 2 academic years: for travel to attend 7 out of 15 academic weekends face-to-face* plus 1 diploma ceremony. In total: 8 travels to Luxembourg for **up to €4,900**; and
- Contribution towards **accommodation and meals** in Luxembourg amounting to **€118 per night**, for up to 3 nights per academic weekend attended face-to-face.

Learn more about the Master via the website and/or download the registration form.

www.eipa.eu/mels

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*The remaining 8 academic weekends will be broadcast via the video conferencing platform, and therefore will be attended online. Additionally, all exams will be online for all students of the MELS.

