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Study plan

The study plan for the GLaM Master's Degree is composed of the following activities:

- Compulsory courses: exams of either 6, 9, or 12 ECTS credits, for a total of 60 ECTS credits, i.e. 8 exams
- Elective courses: exams of 6 ECTS credits, for a total of 18 ECTS credits, i.e. 3 exams
- Free-choice activities: exams or other activities listed below, for a total of 15 ECTS credits
- Other activities: 6 ECTS credits for various activities listed below + compulsory 3 ECTS credits for English language C1, for a total of 9 ECTS credits
- Final thesis: 18 ECTS credits; see specific Regulations available on the website

Total: 120 ECTS

The study plan must be submitted annually according to the procedures and within the deadlines indicated on the [Study Plan Submission web page](#). The submission of the study plan enables students to confirm the compulsory courses and to add, modify or confirm all other activities. The characteristics of each type of activity are detailed in this document.

Compulsory Courses (60 ECTS)

These are the core courses that define the study programme. The full list of GLaM compulsory courses is available on the Programme overview page and in the [Educational Offer](#) document.

Elective Courses (18 ECTS)

These are the courses that allow students to tailor their academic path according to their interest.

- Students have to choose the elective courses from the [English taught courses of the GLaM programme](#) or the [single-cycle Master's programme in Law](#).
 - **Prerequisites:** Students must have passed the "Major Issues of Global Law" exam before taking the elective courses. Please note that elective courses are officially registered and appear in the study plan from the second year onwards.
- Additional English-language electives may be taken over and above the required 18 ECTS; these will be considered as extra credits.
- Courses from the CEILS undergraduate programme cannot be taken as electives.
- Elective courses in Italian do not count as elective courses within the GLaM programme; they can be included in the study plan and the exams can be taken, but they will appear as surplus activity/non-credit courses (0 ECTS credits).

Free Choice Activities (15 ECTS)

These can be obtained through a combination of the following:

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- Additional elective courses, following the rules above.
- Courses taught in English offered by other Master's Degree Programmes at the University of Trento, subject to approval for consistency with the GLaM programme; approval requires the submission of a Study Plan Modification Form, according to the [Study plan submission page](#).
- Workshops and laboratories in English offered at the Faculty of Law.

Prerequisites: Students must have passed the "Major Issues of Global Law" exam before taking the elective courses and the other activities listed in this section, including courses taught in other Master's Degree Programmes.

Other Activities (9 ECTS)

3 ECTS - Additional Language Skills (English C1)

All GLaM students must achieve a C1 level of English by the end of the two-year programme through one of the following:

- A recognised international qualification (check the CLA - University Language Centre [website for the accepted certifications](#));
- A proficiency test administered by the CLA
- If students already meet this requirement, the 3 ECTS credits will be automatically recognised upon enrolment.

International students must enrol in an Italian A2 activity (0 ECTS credits) by attending a course offered by the CLA, unless this requirement has already been completed during their undergraduate studies.

6 ECTS - Additional Learning Activities

These can be obtained through a combination of the following:

- **ECDL (European Computer Driving Licence):** 6 ECTS credits if you complete all 7 modules¹;
- **Summer Schools:** up to a maximum of 3 credits per programme, which must be coherent with the GLaM's learning outcomes; additional summer schools can be included as extra credits;
- **Internships:** students can start their internships from their first year, and their credits vary according to the duration of the activity – see the following section;
- **Legal Languages:** 5 ECTS for one legal language (ex: Legal English); additional legal languages can be included as surplus activity (0 ECTS);

¹ You may take the ECDL/ICDL exams at the [University Test Center](#). If you already have an CDL/ICDL certificate, the Test Centre can recognise it.

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- **Second foreign language:** If at B2 level or above, according to the CLA standards, worth 3 ECTS;
- **ECIU Challenges or Micro-modules:** The University of Trento is a member of the international [ECIU network](#), which organizes activities called challenges and micro-modules. Students that successfully partake in an ECIU activity will receive:
 - a) a minimum of 3 CFU/ECTS
 - b) ECIU Challenges and Micromodules can also be added to your Study Plan **as part of the Free Choice Activities (15 ECTS)**
- **SOI:** activities organised by the University's [School of Innovation](#), for a maximum of 6 ECTS; these credits can also be added to your Study Plan **as part of the Free Choice Activities (15 ECTS)**;
- **Third or fourth foreign language:** Not recognised for ECTS but can be included as non-credit activities (0 ECTS);

Internships

Internships are professional learning and training experiences. They allow students to enhance the knowledge acquired during their university years, and to apply them in professional working environments. Internships do not constitute employment relationships, but they are regulated by the law and the University's procedures support and protect the students

For more information, please refer to the [Faculty's dedicated web-page](#).

Choosing an internship

A proactive mindset is essential when seeking internship opportunities. Browsing the University's internship database might be your first step in the search for institutions where to apply (see below).

If your search on the website is unsuccessful, you may independently identify a potential host institution.

Internship opportunities in Italy found autonomously still need to follow the procedure of the Job Guidance Office to be initiated. Students are therefore expected to contact the University Job Guidance service (e-mail: jobguidance@unitn.it).

Internships abroad must be found autonomously. Students can find further information, including the countries where they can apply for internships, at the page dedicated to international mobility (email: mobility-ssh@unitn.it).

Specific agreements may be considered for students that are already working, according to the law and the Faculty's regulations.

Surplus and Extra Credits

Students may take exams and activities that will not become part of their study plans, or whose credits exceed the maximum number required for the categories they belong to. In the first case, the credits for those activities are called "sovrannumerari" (surplus credits), while in the second case they are referred to as "extra credits".

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- **Surplus Credits (crediti sovrannumerari):** These are extra activities that do not contribute to the final degree. The titles of these surplus activities will appear in the study plan if you wish to include them, but they are always recorded as 0 ECTS credits.
- **Extra Credits (crediti in esubero):** These credits contribute to additional points in the final degree grade calculation. Typically, each extra ECTS credit adds 0.20 points to the final graduation grade. Please refer to the Final Degree Regulations of the GLaM programme for further details.