

## Selection of courses and preparation of online learning agreements:

guidelines for exchange students 2025 (update 8 November 2024)

Individual class schedules at RGSL are finalized approximately 2 weeks before subject classes begin. Therefore, in order **to reduce risks of class overlaps** – using **updated course lists** - we kindly ask to follow instruction steps for course selection.

## **How to choose Bachelor level courses?**

All Year 2 and Year 3 Bachelor level courses and all Masters level courses are available to exchange students <u>unless restriction indicated on the course yearly plan</u>. <u>Supervision of research paper and thesis writing is not available to exchange students at RGSL</u>.

When choosing Bachelor courses, to avoid class overlaps with other subjects, we suggest to:

- stay during each 6-week module with one study programme only either Law and Business, or Law and Diplomacy,
- 2) look for courses within the dates of **each particular module** (6-week study period)

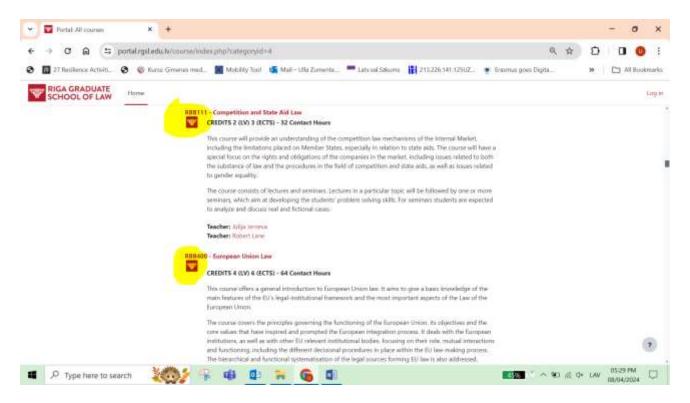
Module 1 (classes + exams)	02/09/24-11/10/24
Module 2 (classes + exams)	14/10/24-22/11/24
Module 3 (classes + exams)	25/11/24-17/01/25

Module 4 (classes + exams)	20/01/25-28/02/25
Module 5 (classes + exams)	03/03/25-12/04/25
Module 6 (classes + exams)	14/04/25-23/05/24

- 3) choose **one study year within 6-week module** (Y2 or Y3), it is possible to choose Y2 "mandatory" subjects in one module, then switch to Y3 subjects in the following module.
- 4) from the list of "<u>B Restrictive Elective</u>" courses <u>limitation</u> is **only one** subject per 6-week module because B course student groups have limited number of seats, (RGSL full degree students also can take only one subject during each 6-weeks from this category). In addition, B category course classes are scheduled in parallel so there is high risk of timetable clashes.
- 5) **final exams** take place immediately in the last week of each module (week 6).

Once you will have made for yourself a list of courses of interest, individual **course outlines** (descriptions) can be viewed without login on the study portal here (Bachelor) or here (Masters). **ATTENTION:** courses on the study portal are listed by discipline, not 6-week module study periods.

Click on the **logo icon** by each specific course to access an outline in PDF file. If you do not find a course outline, it is in the process of being developed (as a new course), or updated, reviewed and will become available before module begins.



#### **Online Learning Agreement**

RGSL uses **Online Learning Agreement** and signs incoming student learning agreements **digitally** through 'Erasmus Without Paper' dashboard e-system. Ask your home exchange coordinator for advice. Learning agreements at RGSL will not be printed, stamped or signed on paper (exception if student requires immigration visa).

## **Data for Online Learning Agreement:**

Rīgas Juridiskā augstskola (Riga Graduate School of Law)

Erasmus code: LV RIGA34

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Note that your Learning Agreement is not yet actual registration for courses at RGSL. Registration will be done one week before each 6-week study module by the student services staff (Erasmus coordinator will send a short questionnaire before each module).

#### **Exams**

Each professor sets the requirements for passing the course, exams can be written or oral, a combination of mid-term exam and final exam, some courses have mandatory seminars and

presentations. Exam formats vary from a 2-hour closed-book in-class exam, or open book take-home assignment, essay or online quizz. **This is reflected in the course outline.** 

# **GRADING SYSTEM IN LATVIA; COMPARISON WITH ECTS GRADE**

Latvian grade	Meaning	ECTS grade
10	with distinction	Α
9	excellent	Α
8	very good	В
7	good	С
6	almost good	D
5	satisfactory	Е
4	almost satisfactory (the minimum passing grade)	E/FX
3-1	unsatisfactory	FAIL