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The European Law Students' Association [ELSA] er verdens største uavhengige non-profit organisasjon for jusstudenter, med over 42 000 medlemmer fra 300 ulike studiesteder. Formålet til ELSA er å bidra til juridisk innsikt, fostre gjensidig forståelse og å fremme samfunnsansvar blant jusstudenter og unge jurister.

ELSA tilbyr et stort antall varierte internasjonale tilbud som studenter på alle studieår kan benytte seg av. Det fantastiske, og unike, med ELSA sine internasjonale tilbud er at det ikke gjelder noen karakterkrav. Du trenger ikke en gang å sende karakterene dine inn! Dette gjelder uansett om det er for internasjonale internships med STEP, om det er for å være med på internasjonale toppmøter med ELSA Delegations, eller om det er for å være med på spennende sommerskoler med ELSA Summer Law Schools.

Formålet med denne informasjonspakken er å samle den relevante informasjonen om de forskjellige internasjonale tilbudene til ELSA. På denne måten håper vi at det blir lettere for dere som har lyst til å søke på noen av våre internasjonale tilbud.

Med vennlig hilsen,
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Internasjonale internships med STEP

2.1 Hva er STEP?

STEP, Student Trainee Exchange Programme, er ELSAs jobbutvekslingsprogram. Programmet åpner for at jusstudenter får førstehåndserfaring med praktisering av juss innenfor mange forskjellige fagområder, i flere forskjellige selskaper og institusjoner, og i mange forskjellige land.

Lokale ELSA-grupper i hele Europa samarbeider med ulike arbeidsgivere or å etablere et stort antall ulike internships i en lang rekke forskjellige bransjer. Traineeshipene skreddersys etter de behov arbeidsgiverne har og arbeidsoppgavene, samt varigheten ved hvert internship vil derfor variere.

Et traineeship med ELSA vil gi god kjennskap til et annet rettssystem og hvordan det er å arbeide i forskjellige type institusjoner og selskaper. Samtidig vil man utvikle sine språklige og profesjonelle egenskaper, samt få kjennskap til hvordan det er å jobbe i en annen kultur.

Det økende fokuset på internasjonal erfaring i arbeidsmarkedet gjør at et traineeship med STEP vil være svært attraktivt for senere arbeidsgivere.

Dersom det er noen spørsmål om STEP, om søknadsprosessen eller om noe annet vedrørende STEP så er det bare å sende en mail til vpstep.bergen@elsa.no.

«Jeg anser det som svært verdifullt at norske jusstudenter og jurister gis mulighet til å delta i internasjonale jobbutvekslingsprogrammer og at utenlandske jusstudenter og jurister gis mulighet til å lære om og hente inspirasjon fra det norske rettssystemet»

– **Knut Storberget: Tidligere justisminister**

2.2 Søknadsguide

Alle søknader til traineeship gjennom STEP gjøres gjennom portalen på step.elsa.org. Først velger man hvilke traineeship man ønsker å søke på:



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STEP traineeships you want to apply for

Please type in the code(s) of the STEP traineeship(s) you want to apply for in the order of your preference. You can find these codes next to the traineeships on our [STEP Website](#).

First Traineeship *	<input type="text"/>
Do you need visa for the traineeship from above? *	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Second Traineeship	<input type="text"/>
Do you need visa for the traineeship from above? *	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Third Traineeship	<input type="text"/>
Do you need visa for the traineeship from above? *	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

Her velger man traineeshipkoden til det traineeshipet du ønsker å søke på – for eksempel «TN-AM/01». Videre legger man inn personalia, samt nasjonal og lokal ELSA-gruppe:

Personal Information

First name *	Please use capital and small letters
Last name *	
Date of birth *	
Gender *	<input type="radio"/> female <input type="radio"/> male
E-mail *	If the e-mail address doesn't exist then the Application Form won't be sent.
ELSA National Group *	ELSA Norway
ELSA Local Group *	ELSA Bergen

Husk at alle studenter på Det juridiske fakultet ved Universitetet i Bergen er medlemmer av ELSA Bergen! Videre legger du inn detaljer for kontaktinformasjon og kontaktinformasjonen til pårørende.

Utdanningsnivå – «Study Level»

Deretter legger du inn hvilken utdanning du har. Her vil du ha mulighet til å velge «Undergraduate», «Graduate – bachelor», «Graduate – master» og «Postgraduate – PhD»:



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Educational Background

University * Please state the names of all universities you studied at.

Study Level *

- Undergraduate: you have not yet received a first degree.
- Graduate Bachelor or Graduate Master: you have been granted an academic degree or diploma, namely Bachelor or Master, depending on the educational system in your country. You can state graduate bachelor or graduate master also when you do not have the necessary degree at the time of applying but you are sure you will have it at the time of the traineeship.
- Postgraduate PhD: you are continuing towards higher education, pursuing PhD.

Hvilke av valgmulighetene under «Study Level» du skal velge beror på hvor langt du har kommet i studiet. Her skilles det mellom tre nivåer:

- *Undergraduate*: dette stiller ingen krav til hvor langt du har kommet i studiet.
- *Graduate Bachelor*: dette krever at du har fullført en bachelor-grad eller tilsvarende. 3 år på jusstudiet i Norge kvalifiserer for dette nivået.
- *Graduate Master*: fullført mastergrad.
- *Postgraduate PhD*: dette krever at du har påbegynt en doktorgrad.

Neste punkt er språkkrav. Her skilles det mellom Fire nivåer:

- *Native*: morsmål.
- *Fluent*: du snakker språket flytende og kan skrive klare og detaljerte tekster. Du kan forstå komplekse tekster om både konkrete og abstrakte temaer.
- *Good*: du forstår hovedpoengene om vanlige temaer og kan delta i dagligdagse samtaler.
- *Basic*: du har en overordnet forståelse for språket og kan kommunisere om enkle og rutinemessige oppgaver.

Languages
Native language is considered to be Fluent

Language (1) *

Language (2)

Language (3)

Language (4)

Kompetansenivå – ”Legal studies”

Her skilles det mellom tre nivåer:

- *None*: Du har ingen eller veldig begrenset kunnskap om rettsområdet.



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- *General*: du har en generell oversikt over rettsområdet og er kjent med temaet. Du har for eksempel fullført et introduksjonskurs. Det er også mulig å lese seg opp til dette nivået.
- *Advanced*: du har en dypere kunnskap om rettsområdet ved at du har studert det over en lengre periode. Du har i tillegg deltatt på seminarer, skrevet oppgaver om emnet, jobbet med det som trainee, deltatt i prosedyrekonkurranse eller lignende. Søknaden er ikke troverdig dersom man krysser av på svært mange advanced-fag.

Forskjeller på ”general” og ”advanced”:

For å krysse av for «advanced» er det påkrevd å ha gjennomført et kurs i faget. Under kan du finne hvilke fag i studiemodellen ved det juridiske fakultet i Bergen som isolert sett kvalifiserer til «advanced».

For kravet «general» er det også en fordel å ha gjennomført kurs, men det er mulig å skaffe seg dette kunnskapsnivået på andre måter. Du kan for eksempel lese og løse oppgaver i et fag, du kan ha jobbet med det enten deltid eller som trainee osv.

Husk at du må besitte en viss kunnskap om materielle regler også for å kunne krysse av for «general». Et traineeopphold på fire uker vil neppe være tilstrekkelig for å kunne krysse av for «general», men har du for eksempel både vært trainee innenfor rettsområdet og lest deg opp på egenhånd i tillegg kan det være tilstrekkelig.

Når det gjelder arbeid må du vurdere hvilken kunnskap du får om rettsreglene på det aktuelle området gjennom arbeid. Det er eksempelvis forskjell på arbeid der du må kunne tolke og anvende de materielle reglene og mer rutinepreget arbeid som går ut på å sjekke om vilkår er oppfylt.

De forskjellige fagkrav:

Første studieår:

- *Forvaltningsrett I*: Administrative law (general)
- *Rettskilde- og metodelære*: Legal theory (general)
- *Kontraktsrett I*: Contracts law (general)
- *Arve- og familierett*: Family and inheritance law (advanced)

Andre studieår:

- *Erstatningsrett*: Tort law (advanced)
- *Tingsrett*: Property law (general)

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- *NIRI*: Constitutional law (advanced), Public international law (General), European Constitutional law (general).
- *Forvaltningsrett II*: Administrative law (advanced), Environmental law (general).

Tredje studieår:

- *Kontraktsrett II*: Contracts law (advanced), Consumer protection law (general).
- *Pengekravsrett*: Banking law (general), Insolvency law (general), Consumer protection law (+ Kontraktsrett II = Advanced).
- *Menneskerettigheter*: Human Rights (advanced).
- *Rettskilde- og metodelære*: Legal theory (advanced).
- *Rettshistorie- og komparativrett*: Legal history (general), Comparative law (general).

Fjerde studieår:

- *Strafferett*: Criminal law (advanced).
- *Sivil- og straffeprosess (Rettergang)*: Civil procedure (advanced), Criminal procedure (advanced).
- *Allmenn formuerett*: Securities – shares, stocks and bonds (general), Insolvency law (advanced), Property law (advanced).

Femte studieår:

- Se generelle retningslinjer i punkt 2.2.1

Motivasjonsbrev og CV

Til sist legger du inn motivasjonsbrev og CV:

Curriculum Vitae

Upload here * Your CV must be in a PDF format.

If the traineeship provider requires additional documents, please upload them as an archive (.zip, .rar or .7z format).

Ingen fil er markert

Motivation Letters

(Maximum 5000 characters)

Motivation Letter - First Traineeship *

Motivation Letter - Second Traineeship

Motivation Letter - Third Traineeship



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Et motivasjonsbrev bør sjeldent overgå 500 ord/1 A4-side, og har som mål å vise potensiell arbeidsgiver hvorfor du er riktig kandidat for jobben. Husk at du allerede har vist til tidligere erfaring i CVen din, motivasjonsbrevet er derfor sjansen til å utdype hvordan denne erfaringen gjør deg egnet til det spesifikke traineeshipet. Her er noen gode knagger for oppsett av motivasjonsbrev.

1. Hvorfor er du motivert til å søke på dette spesifikke traineeshipet?
2. Hvorfor skal du bli valgt, i forhold til egnethet og motivasjon?
3. Hvilken relevant akademisk og/eller praktisk erfaring gjør deg egnet til traineeshipet?

Det finnes ingen standardmal for et motivasjonsbrev, et godt motivasjonsbrev kjennetegnes gjerne av at du skriver med god flyt og selvstendighet. Presise formuleringer har evne til å virke overbevisende.

2.2.1 Generelle retningslinjer

Når du skal krysse av for fagkrav må du først og fremst vurdere din egen kunnskap. Kunnskapen i fagene går hovedsakelig ut på hva du kan om de materielle reglene og anvendelsen av disse. Fagets varighet og størrelse kan ha betydning for hvor godt du har satt deg inn i de materielle reglene.

Dersom du har tatt valgfag som ikke befinner seg på den veiledende listen under må du vurdere hvilken materiell kunnskap du har fått gjennom å ha faget. Har du for eksempel løst mange oppgaver, lest mye, hatt undervisning osv. I tillegg kan det være av betydning hvor mange studiepoeng faget er og hvor lang tid det strekker seg over.

Du må vurdere det du lærer i kurset opp mot fagdisiplinen generelt. Et eksempel er Contract law. Etter gjennomført kurs i Kontraktsrett I vil du besitte god kunnskap om avtalerett, men ikke kjøpsrett. Du vil derfor først nå nivået «advanced» når du har hatt Kontraktsrett II. Et annet eksempel er NIRI. Du får her god kunnskap om strukturen og institusjonene i EU, men ikke om de materielle reglene. Derfor vil NIRI-kurset kvalifisere til «general» kunnskap om EU-rett.

Når det gjelder rettsområdet «civil law» vil du lære deler av dette innenfor flere fag. Du vil kunne sette «advanced» her etter å ha fullført tredje studieår.

2.3 Eksempler på motivasjonsbrev

Nr. 1:

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”Experiences from my exchange year to Costa Rica when I was 17 years old and the following studies in Spanish at university level has aroused interests in Latin-American culture. I have a strong desire to learn more about the business culture in Latin-America, as an intern at [x].

Since the law firm [x] contains six employees, I gained a lot of responsibility. Therefore, I have solid experience in communicating with clients, the counterparties lawyers etc. via e-mail, letter and telephone. I also participated in meetings and in drafting legal documents. My colleagues complemented me for having problem solving skills and for being confident and efficient in work relations.

At the University of Bergen, we hand in papers weekly. Therefore, I am trained in writing concise texts within short deadlines.

My ambition of using Spanish and English in work relations is one of the reasons for why I am applying. Since my Spanish skills are advanced and I have a broad insight in Latin-American culture, I will adapt to your work routines quickly. This means that I will deliver good results from day one.

Another reason for why I think I will handle my work tasks with success, is that I am a quick learner. I have had part time jobs since I was 13 years old in almost every work field. Due to having a German mother and a Norwegian father, I have been raised with a multicultural mindset.

Working as an intern at [x] would be a valuable experience for my future career.

If you give me the opportunity, I will make sure that my work for your law firm is professional and done thoroughly”.

Nr. 2:

”I am a driven and tenacious individual, passionate to pursue a career in the legal sector. [x] attracts me greatly because of its incorporation of both legal and professional services, offering a wide variety of legal work experience during the internship that I am keen to delve into. Being an English law student, I am very experienced with English legal terms and have studied both Contract and Commercial law as part of my degree for one full academic year; as an internee I could offer accurate analysis of current cases and aide the production of case bundles by checking the grammar and legal terms contained within them. I would also be able to offer great insight into British culture and have several ideas as to how I would integrate this into[x], initially this would include general presentations of British culture and the production of an information

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booklet containing more specific, detailed and interesting information that can offer a better perspective for [x].

As part of my Erasmus year, I am studying international tax law, specifically the OECD model convention. Having a basic knowledge of this, I could once more assist on cases regarding tax and offer help regarding the English translation of terminology. [x] is an exciting group having grown once more in the third quarter of 2014, to be part of an expanding international Nordic company would be a fascinating opportunity by enabling me to explore the working culture and practises of a Norwegian international business. [x] offers legal advice on an extensive list of matters whilst also offering litigation services within these areas. I am keen to explore how [x] provides high quality legal work to its customers and also develop my knowledge of the Norwegian legal system, having attended tribunals within the UK, I could offer assistance to lawyers within court procedures whilst also exploring the similarities and differences of the court process.

Within the specification of the internship, the individual is required to offer constructive criticism. If chosen, I would be a suitable candidate; at university I actively offer my services in the 'buddy system'. Within this system I offer help to first year students with essay writing and assist by remodelling the structure of their work. By helping a variety of individuals with their work I am not only comfortable in offering feedback but can also state why the work is not correct and why it needs to be changed, providing constructive analysis and detailed assessment; a skill essential in a legal environment.

I would be available for the internship between the dates of 6th July until 31st September and would be keen to work for the full time scheduled above, however to adapt to [x] I would be willing to increase or decrease the amount of time spent at the company. I possess a full UK driving license and would be comfortable driving to commute to the various offices across Norway and even commute to client offices if required”.

Nr. 3:

I am motivated for the traineeship at the [German city] because I want to contribute in the solving of legal issues through applying my knowledge and skills from Norwegian administration, property and environmental law while learning how different legal issues are solved in the local public administrations of Germany.

I am especially interested on how administration law is applied in German speaking countries. In addition to this my favourite topics in law are those regarding administrative law and public administration. Therefore, I believe a traineeship at a local government in Germany would be a valuable experience.

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In addition to being interested in the field of administrative law at university, I have also gained a lot of experience within this field of law through my political engagement and engagement in the administration of the University of Bergen (UiB). As an elected deputy member of my [local Municipal Council], I have knowledge in applying these fields of law in political and administrative processes. Also, participating in different Committees at the University of Bergen, has helped me gain practical knowledge on public administration. Now I want to take this a step further and learn more about public administration in Germany.

I believe a traineeship in [German city] will help me understand and learn more about the legal systems in German speaking countries. During my fifth year at University, I plan to specialise in and participate in the postgraduate courses of Local Government Law and administrative ethics, communication and conflict management. Also, I plan to study a semester abroad in a German speaking country. Therefore, I am motivated to go to Germany already after my third year at university.

Since a traineeship also is about working and being a helpful resource for the colleagues during their daily activities, I think it is important that I have experience with collaborating on legal issues. Every week the students at the University of Bergen meet to discuss assignments and legal issues. We also have to hand in papers weekly, so I am trained in writing texts and solving different legal tasks under pressure. I believe a traineeship at the [German city] will be very valuable for gaining some «real life» experience in addition to all the work at university,

Furthermore, since German is my mother tongue along with Norwegian, I will have no problems regarding the communication at work. However, I want to learn how German is used to solve legal issues. Even though German is my mother tongue and I write German in different settings, I have not had a lot of encounters with legal German. I wish to actively participate in the daily work of German local government to be able to learn how legal German is used. As a Norwegian student, there is no other way to get to know the [Tysk juridisk forvaltningspråk] without working at the public administration in for instance Germany.

I do not have any experience with the German administration law other. Still, I do believe it is possible for me to contribute with new perspectives and assist where it is necessary. Since I have now completed the administrative law courses at UiB, I do think I am able to solve and assist in solving several legal tasks also abroad. I believe experience from Germany will be very valuable to understand how governance and administration works and that this traineeship will be a positive experience both for me and for the colleagues in Germany.

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Having a traineeship at the [German city] would be a valuable experience for my future studies and future working life. I hope I can be a helpful intern and I will make sure that I carry out the duties professionally and thoroughly.

Nr. 4: Council of Europe

To whom it may concern,

As a result of previous experiences and current ones, I have developed an understanding and respect for different cultures, the diversity of people with different stories and cultures. At the age of 10, my Norwegian family moved to the South of France. I had to adjust to a completely different language, culture and environment. I was introduced to people from all over the world in an international school and which has now brought me back to Norway to study law.

At the law faculty in Bergen we have wide understanding of a pragmatic law system. We furthermore hand in essays weekly and I am therefore trained in writing concise papers. We also have an advanced knowledge in human rights. It is becoming increasingly apparent in the Norwegian law system within all fields of the law spectre. "European human rights" has been the most compelling subject during my almost 4 years at the faculty of law. However, the reality of it is harsh. Violations of human rights is disturbing though-provoking, disturbing, and the upholding of human rights is of vital importance to the individual in society.

My volunteer work in the Rafto Foundation has encouraged me to see the importance of human rights. Particularly how the European Convention on Human Rights and its rule of law is tightly linked to the implementation of the general rights for every individual. The Council of Europe is a great opportunity to experience this first-hand. That is my I wish to I aspire to work with human rights issues when I finish my studies. Therefore, it is the CoE's Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights that inspires me.

In the Rafto Foundation, the student body is an essential driving force. The students receive a considerable amount of responsibility that has given me the skill of independent work as well as work in a team in a human rights setting. My dream is that this experience can equally challenge me in a more practical manner what I have learned thus far. I hope to acquire even more understanding of an international vision and what is being done as well as what can be done to encourage the principles of human rights.

Aside from my volunteer work with SOS Children's Villages, I have also been a social worker for several years and it has given me a certain perspective in my own life to be in close contact with a person with disabilities.

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My background has made me applicable, enthusiastic, curious and resilient. All of which has been a big part of why I chose to study law. I find great interest in all international aspects of the pragmatic Norwegian law system. Furthermore, it has made me eager to continue expand my knowledge in law, particularly internationally.

I hope I can bring something to the COE through a traineeship and that you can equally challenge me in a practical manner. In that way, I can apply what I have learned thus far studying law as I hope to acquire even more understanding of Human Rights. I will be ready for any project that comes my way.

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3.1 Hva er ELSA Delegations?

ELSA har observatørstilling hos en rekke internasjonale organer og gir ELSA-medlemmene mulighet til å representere ELSA ved disse organenes internasjonale møter.

ELSA sender delegater til:

- UN ECOSOC: United Nations Economic and Social Council
- UNCITRAL: UN Commission on International Trade Law
- WIPO: World Intellectual Property Organisation
- UN Human Rights Bodies
- Council of Europe
- INTA: International Trademark Association
- UNESCO: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
- European Court of Justice
- Council of Europe
- OECD: The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

Møtene til de forskjellige organene holdes blant annet i Geneve, Strasbourg, New York, Wien og Paris.

Gjennom ELSA Delegations får jusstudenter en helt unik mulighet til å delta på internasjonale toppmøter ved noen av verdens viktigste internasjonale organer. ELSA Delegations gir et unikt innblikk i internasjonal beslutningstaking og internasjonale erfaringer som få andre jusstudenter har, og som man bare kan få gjennom ELSA.

Dersom det er noen spørsmål om ELSA Delegations eller søknadsprosessen, så er det bare å sende mail til ypsc.bergen@elsa.no.

«As a student at United Nations? Observe international decision-making? Meeting influential politicians and lawyers? That's all about ELSA Delegations!

Delegations are without doubt one of my favourite ELSA experience. During the 86th Session 6 different country representatives and the Committee discussed the best ways to implement the migration law, avoid cultural conflicts and reach the international cooperation. It was 100% related to ELSA vision- all different, all together»

**- Evgenia Podgorbunskikh: Deltaker på 86th Session of UN HR Bodies:
Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination**

3.2 Søknadsguide

Alle søknader til ELSA Delegations sendes inn gjennom portalen på delegations.elsa.org. På portalen går man inn på den spesifikke ELSA Delegations man ønsker å søke på og fyller inn søknadsskjemaet på siden. Her fyller man inn de forskjellige informasjonsboksene. Søknadene gjennomgås av ELSA International og det internasjonale teamet velger ut hvem som skal representere ELSA ved de forskjellige internasjonale møtene.

3.2.1 Søknadsskjemaet

Etter man har fylt inn personalia og det ELSA Delegations man søker på, går man videre til neste side for å fylle inn mer inngående informasjon.

Først fyller man inn CV i de forskjellige boksene: "Education", "Working Experience", "Languages" og "Other Activities". Husk at det her vil være smart å fylle inn erfaringer som knytter seg til den spesifikke ELSA Delegations du ønsker å søke på. Dette gjelder særlig under feltet "Other Activities", men dersom man har relevant arbeidserfaring eller studieerfaring er det selvfølgelig bra å ta med under feltene "Education" eller "Working Experience".

Videre fyller man inn feltet med "ELSA Status". Husk at alle som studerer ved Juridisk fakultet ved Universitetet i Bergen er medlemmer av ELSA Bergen og at man da automatisk er en del av ELSA Norge, man velger derfor ELSA Norge i "rullgardinen" og skriver inn ELSA Bergen som "ELSA Local Group". Dette gjelder også dersom man er på utveksling på det tidspunkt en tenker å søke – ettersom en betaler semesteravgift mens man er på utvekslingsoppholdet.

De neste boksene er "Positions covered in ELSA", "ELSA Events Attended" og "ELSA Events Organised". Dette må ikke tas for strengt og man er på INGEN MÅTE utelukket å bli plukket ut til å delta på ELSA Delegations bare fordi man ikke har hatt ett verv eller selv har vært med å organisere et "event". Det vil imidlertid være positivt om man fyller inn hvilke ELSA arrangementer en har deltatt på. Dette kan være alt fra eksamensrelevante foredrag, til lunsjseminar, til Legal English-kurs.

Neste viktige punkt er motivasjonsbrevet. Det er vanskelig å skrive spesifikke retningslinjer om hvordan man skriver et godt motivasjonsbrev, ettersom det er veldig mange forskjellige måter å skrive et godt motivasjonsbrev på.

Motivasjonsbrevet skal ikke overgå 500 ord og har som mål å vise de som plukker ut delegatene at man er kvalifisert og motivert til å delta på møtet. Husk at du allerede har vist til tidligere erfaring i CVen din, motivasjonsbrevet er derfor sjansen til å utdype hvordan denne erfaringen gjør deg egnet til det spesifikke traineeshipet. Her er noen gode knagger for oppsett av motivasjonsbrev.



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1. Hvorfor er du motivert til å søke på denne spesifikke ELSA Delegation?
2. Hvorfor skal du bli valgt, i forhold til egnethet og motivasjon?
3. Hvilken relevant akademisk og/eller praktisk erfaring gjør at du burde bli plukket ut til å delta på akkurat denne ELSA Delegation?

3.2.2 Hva skjer dersom en blir valgt?

Du vil reise som del av en delegasjon, med en head of delegation som er hovedansvarlig. I tillegg vil du få informasjon fra ELSA International om dine plikter. Ditt ansvar som delegat er å representere ELSA, ikke deg selv. Du må være godt faglig forberedt og stille på alle sessions du er utvalgt til. I tillegg plikter du å skrive en avsluttende rapport i etterkant, sammen med resten av delegasjonen din.

Det er viktig å merke seg at ELSA ikke gir reisestøtte til de som reiser som delegat, flybiletter, opphold og mat må man derfor betale for selv.

3.3 Eksempler på motivasjonsbrev:

Nr. 1:

” Since I joined ELSA I've wanted to go as a delegate. But with exams almost every month, and responsibilities as an officer, I've had to wait for the perfect opportunity. And here it is; my favorite institution, the topic I'm the most interested in, and a week I'm free to devote all my time and focus.

Human rights was the reason that I started studying law, and during these first three years I've become more sure that human rights is what I want to work with.

During my year at Sund folk college, we went for a study trip to Guatemala. There my group did fieldwork on our chosen topic, young womans challenges and possibilities in Guatemala. I was already interested in womens rights, but it became intensified after working with the topic, and talking to girls and women in a though environment.

In law school I have attended both a course about international legal institutions (as the UN) and a course about human rights. Therefore I think I have a solid academic foundation to attend the session on discrimination against women. I know that I want to write my master, specialize, and work with the topic human rights, if possible within the UN.

As you can see from my CV I've spent a lot of my time during law school with extra curricular

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activities, all human rights related. Both Amnesty and the Rafto Foundation have given me the opportunity to arrange and attend lectures on human rights, to deepen my knowledge. I have also gotten to meet so many inspiring human rights activist.

I also want to go as a delegate, to gain experience that I can use in the ELSA network. In my opinion we have had way to few delegates from Norway, and I want to change that. I've already worked a lot with promotion this year, but I know I could do a better job if I had some personal experience to build on.

All in all, I really want to be a delegate for ELSA to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, and I have the knowledge and experience to be a good representative for ELSA”.

Nr. 2:

“Since I joined ELSA I’ve been interested in going as a delegate. I’ve been working with promoting delegations as a local S&C officer last semester, and have already been able to reach out to a lot of students at my faculty. Now I really want to experience it for my self.

I would like to apply as I’ve found a topic that I am especially interested in, at a time when I have the opportunity to participate and spend all my time on this.

Electronic commerce is an applicable topic within international trade, which is one of the areas of law that I’m most interested in. I would like to learn more about it and see this as the perfect opportunity, as electronic commerce is a very limited part of the curriculum at my faculty. Furthermore, this is a topic that I’m interested in immersing in when I, at the end of my studies, will take an LLM within the area of International Contract Law.

It’s important for me to gain relevant experience beside my studies, which I’ve so far done through work and different extra curricular activities. I see the opportunity to go as a delegate as both interesting and educational. Therefore, I am really motivated to go as a delegate to UNCITRAL’s Working Group on Electronic Commerce and be able to gain valuable experience on the topic.

I also think it would be a great experience that I can take advantage of when continuing my work in ELSA. The number of delegates from my local group has increased the last semester, and I think it would be useful for me to have personal experience when promoting delegations in the future. If I get elected I will do my outermost to represent ELSA in the best way possible”.



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Nr. 3: Council of Europa World Forum for Democracy

When I started my studies one of the main motivations I had for joining ELSA was ELSA's international aspect, especially intriguing was ELSA Delegations. My motivation for going as a delegate only grew last year, when I as the VP S&C in ELSA Bergen worked extensively both on promoting ELSA Delegations and helping a great number of students going as delegates. Finally, this fall, I have the time to travel as a delegate myself and to devote both my time and focus on the experience.

I have always had a great interest in both national and European politics and when I started my law studies, and attended courses on European law (EU and EEA), this interest only intensified. I really find the questions regarding European social issues interesting, and especially the questions concerning fundamental European values. The Council of Europe World Forum for Democracy's session on the question of populism is a problem, therefore seems like a perfect fit for me!

As mentioned, I have attended courses on the European legal institutions and EU- and EEA-law, combined with my great interest in European politics I therefore think I have a solid academic foundation, as well as a great motivation, to attend this session.

The experience I will gather from the session will also be beneficial in broadening my knowledge on Europe and European social issues, when I later this year attend a course on European Human Rights, as well in my later planned courses on EU- and EEA-related law, and my planned master thesis on EU-law related questions.

As the President of ELSA Bergen I still work a lot on promoting ELSA Delegations and actually attending a session through ELSA Delegations will give me valuable experience I can use in the ELSA Network. The experience will help me assisting this years VP S&C with promoting ELSA Delegations, so we can expand the number of Norwegian delegates.

I have been a part of ELSA since I started my law studies almost 3 years ago, and is now in my second term in the local board of ELSA Bergen. My activities in ELSA include participation on a local, national and international level and I therefore feel I have great knowledge of ELSA as an association. My long ELSA experience is something that makes me highly suitable to travel as a delegate and represent ELSA in the Council of Europe.

I hope that I, through this motivational letter, have shown that I have the motivation, knowledge and ELSA experience to represent ELSA in a good way in World Forum for Democracy's session on the question "Is Populism a Problem".

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Nr. 4:

The opportunity to go as a delegate is one of the reasons I wanted to join ELSA. I have always been interested in the work of international organizations, such as the United Nations. I believe they play a crucial role for protecting human rights, and it is my dream to one day work for the organization.

Human rights are one of the reasons I started law schools. I have always been interested in the fair and kind treatment of all people. It is so important that all people have the same opportunity to life, education and liberty. In the future, I would like to work within a field that works towards this goal.

Unfortunately, I have not had a course about human rights yet, but it is one of the courses I'm most excited about. I have had a course about international legal institutions, such as the UN, and it has only made me more interested in the organization and its work.

I wanted to apply now because I found the perfect convention for me, the Convention on the Rights of the Child. I worked in a kindergarten class before I started studying at the University of Bergen. Today I have a part time job working at the children's clinic at the local hospital here in Bergen. I love working with children and through these jobs, I have become very interested in their rights.

Children's rights is an area I would like to learn more about and maybe write my master thesis on. Since the topic is a limited part of the curriculum here in Bergen, I would like every opportunity I can get to learn more about it. We have a class about human rights, but not children's rights in particular. Because of this, I see this convention as a great opportunity to expand my knowledge about the topic.

I aspire to run for VP S&C for my local group this spring. I believe that being a delegate would be an invaluable experience that will also help me promote delegations to other students at my university. With personal experience with the program I can better inspire, encourage, and help advise my fellow students with the application process.

If I get elected, I will do my very best to represent ELSA.

Nr. 5: Application for the delegation to the Elimination of Discrimination session in Geneva

My name is [Name] and I am a 27 year old woman, born in the Kurdistan region of Iraq. I came to Norway as a political refugee in 1998, something that has sparked a very personal commitment to matters on immigration and discrimination.

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I am currently on my 4th year of law studies and intend to focus on Human Rights issues, particularly the Geneva Convention of 1951 for the remainder of my studies. As part of this, discrimination of refugees who migrates to Europe to seek protection is particularly relevant and interesting.

People`s interest for their field of work can be explained from their experience. As a refugee myself, who have experienced the road across countries, the legal procedures for being granted protection has awakened my interest for human rights. And by growing up in a different country than I was born, being exposed to multiculturalism has awakened my interest in discrimination.

Through my 4 year as a translator, I have been given insight to the asylum process from arrival to the final integration, alternatively deportation. This has given me great knowledge about both the Dublin and Schengen agreement, and the government`s margin of appreciation in connection with equality and discrimination, which sparked my interest to participate in the Legal Research Group Program 2016/2017, concerning Migration law, by the European Legal Students Association in cooperation with the Council of Europe, where I learned a great deal about Norwegian Migration law.

As a co-pilot at the Center for Law and Social Transformation`s Migration unit, my responsibility is to arrange seminars regarding current “hot topics” in Norway, has been a great tool for me to learn more about what human rights challenges Norway faces, such as the increase of hateful expressions on ethnical and religious grounds and the government`s discrimination on care for migrants who are single minors, based on whether they are over or under 15 years old.

As a teacher at the UN Association West and Rafto House for Human Rights, I have been privileged to not only teach pupils in middle and high school about UN and Human Rights, but also to immerse further on the principle of non-discrimination. I hope to use the experience I receive at the session in my teaching classes.

Through my law studies I have been introduced to a number of different legal areas, such as the new Chapter E cf. Norwegian Constitution, in accordance with the government`s obligation to secure human rights cf. ECHR article 2 of Protocol 1 and the relation between the principle of legality, equality and equity. I have realized that discrimination may be justified by the balance between equity and equality. Thus, the non-discrimination principle is an overreaching topic, an umbrella covering the law, which can only work if the human right on non- discrimination is eliminated.

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The study trips arranged by ELSA Norway, to the European Union and Human Right court, inspired me to apply for work at the UN Association and Rafto House for Human Rights, and also sparked my interest for becoming a member of the ELSA family. I think it is truly exciting and rewarding to be a part of an international network that work productive.

I am currently Director for Job hunting at the Student Training Exchange Program group at ELSA Bergen. I am working on and aiming for more possibilities for international students to have trainees in Bergen.

By attending ELSA`s National Conference Meeting Norway 2017, I was given the opportunity to present the importance and relevance of LRG at the AA workshop, which led to the establishment of a national and local LRG groups. We are planning to recruit students from spring 2018 and promote the next years LRG like never before.

When I get to contribute to human rights, I feel like I am contributing to my own rights. This possibility makes me feel like I can swim through all difficulties and see clear sighted through the chaos, because I am not one small fish, but a part of a bigger group of fishes, and together we are strong . I hope we can swim through it all together.

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4.1 Hva er ELSA Law Schools

ELSA Law Schools arrangeres to ganger i året – hver sommer og hver vinter, og deles følgelig inn i to ”perioder”: ELSA Winter Law Schools og ELSA Summer Law Schools. ELSA Law School er et av ELSA International sitt flaggskipprosjekter og arrangeres mellom 1. Juli og 31. September. Sommerskolen er åpen for studenter og unge advokater fra hele verden og varer i mellom 7 og 14 dager.

Det er oppstilt krav til alle Law Schoolene for å sikre at Law Schoolen er av så høy kvalitet som mulig, både faglig og sosialt. Temaet for Law Schoolen bestemmes av arrangørene og vi har hvert år et bredt spekter innenfor mange forskjellige fagområder; alt fra ”Banking- and Finance law” i Frankfurt, til ”Media law” i Italia, til ”Biomedicine & Law” i Ukraina.

Law Schoolene gjennomføres som oftest i samarbeid med anerkjente nasjonale og internasjonale selskaper og advokatfirmaer, samt med anerkjente universitet over hele Europa. I løpet av Law Schoolen vil det gjennomføres et minimum av 20 timer faglig undervisning slik at deltakerne får et godt bilde av faget, både akademisk og praktisk.

Viktig å merke seg er at ELSA ikke gir reisestøtte til de som deltar på ELSA Law Schools. Det er imidlertid fastsatt en maksimum pris på 350 Euro for hele oppholdet – da inkludert opphold, mat, faglig og sosialt opplegg. I tillegg vil man kunne betale for å være med på ting som galla. Flybilletter må man også betale for selv.

Deltakelse på en ELSA Law School vil være en fin mulighet til å få et innblikk i et tema som ikke tilbys på fakultetet, til å kanskje finne ut hva man kunne tenke seg å drive med videre eller til å finne ut hva man ikke ønsker å drive med videre. I løpet av Law Schoolen er det også fullt sosialt program slik at man kan bli kjent med jusstudenter fra hele verden. Spørsmål kan sendes til vpsc.bergen@elsa.no

4.2 Søknadsguide:

Alle søknader til ELSA Law Schools gjøres gjennom portalen på lawschools.elsa.org. På portalen går man inn å velger den spesifikke Law Schoolen man ønsker å søke på og fyller ut søknadsskjemaet på siden. Søknaden gjennomgås av arrangørene av de forskjellige Law Schoolene og de velger også ut hvem som skal delta på Law Schoolen.

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På side 1, 2 og 3 fyller man inn «Personal details», «Contact details» og «Contact in case om emergency». På side 4 fyller man inn detaljer dersom en har noen spesielle krav – for eksempel allergier:

Special Requirements

Please note any specific dietary or other requirements.

Other allergies and special requirements

Please use the following space to provide the Organising Group with any information you find relevant.

Dietary Restrictions

Vegan Vegetarian Celiac

Allergies

Peanut Milk Egg Wheat Soy

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På side 5 og 6 legger du inn engelskkunnskaper, CV og utdanningsnivå. Husk at man som student på Det juridiske fakultet ved Universitetet i Bergen automatisk er medlemmer av ELSA Bergen. Dersom du ikke har noe spesifikt verv, jf. Boksene om «ELSA Status» på side 6, så fyller man bare inn ELSA Member i boksen:

ELSA status

ELSA Law Schools are available for both ELSA members and non-members.

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Videre på side 8, så fyller du inn hvilke Law School du ønsker å søke på. Du kan søke på opp til 3 Law Schools. Her vil du kunne føre inn enkelte spesifikke detaljer – for eksempel om man skal



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være med på «Galla Ball». Her legger du også inn motivasjonsbrevet ditt. Det står litt generelt om hvordan skrive motivasjonsbrev under punkt 2.2 og 3.2. Det viktigste er at man skriver om hvorfor man er motivert til å dra på den bestemte Law Schoolen, hvorfor man vil dra til det bestemte stedet og hvorfor man ønsker å lære mer om det spesifikke emnet. I samme sammenheng kan det være aktuelt å vise til spesielle erfaringer, interesser, jobber, fag eller utdanning, eller spesifikke interesser:

Choose your ELSA Law School

An applicant can apply for up to 3 ELSA Law Schools only. The Organising Groups are looking for participants with serious intention to participate at their particular ELSA Law School.

Choose the ELSA Law School you are applying to ¹

For how many ELSA Law Schools are you applying during this application period? ²

Participation Fee ^{*}

Extra Fees

Do you suffer from seasickness? ³

Motivation Letter (max 5000 chars) ⁴

Athens - Maritime Law: Shipping & Finance

Please enter a value between 1 and 3.

Participation fee includes academic programme, social programme, cultural programme, accommodation, breakfast for every day excluding the day of arrival, lunch for every day excluding either the day of arrival or the day of departure, dinner for every day excluding the day of departure and other administrative costs. Please choose one of the options according to your status:

Please choose from the other provided services. We recommend you to select all of them, so you can experience the whole programme of the ELSA Law School.

Gala Ball - 50€

Transfer to/from the Airport/Train station/Bus station - 30€

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4.3 Eksempler på motivasjonsbrev

Nr. 1:

First of all, terrorism is something that affects us all. It's something that can happen everywhere and with big variations when it comes to the type of acts, and their scale. Terrorism is something that destroys the very essence of a democracy, as it often aims to make governments or individuals act in conflict with their beliefs. This might result in people being afraid to use their basic freedoms such as freedom of speech and freedom of assembly. There is no doubt that a goal for the international community should be to reduce the risk of terrorism as much as possible. To be able to prevent terrorism and handle terror situations as good as possible, I believe the key is to increase knowledge about what terrorism is, its different shapes, and why someone decides to become a terrorist. As a law student interested in the challenges of a global



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world, I would love to attend this summer school to get more knowledge about the legal aspects of this phenomenon called terrorism. Or as we active ELSA members like to say; I am looking forward to fruitful discussions.

I just finished one of my mandatory law courses about human rights. During the course we worked a lot on the European Convention on Human Rights, which made me see how interesting it is to learn more about legal topics with an important international aspect. I believe that my sincere interest in learning more about different legal frameworks on internationally related topics, as well as my interest in staying up to date on world news, are reasons that make me a good candidate for attending your summer school.

In addition to learning more about the legal aspects of terrorism, I think this summer school would be a fantastic way to explore the three biggest cities of The Netherlands. I have never been to The Netherlands before, except for many intermediate landings at Schiphol Airport. As a true ELSA person, I always like to meet new people and explore new cultures. I therefore sincerely hope that you will give me the chance to do all this in combination with a very interesting academic program, by letting me attend your summer law school in July.

Best regards,

Nr. 2:

My name is [Name] I am a 21 year old student, studying law in Bergen Norway. I heard about the Summer Law school on human rights and globalization at the ICM in Cologne 2013. I got inspired and motivated to apply because it sounds like a great opportunity to learn something about a very interesting topic, meet people from other countries and to get to know Croatia.

I have been an active ELSA member for three years now. I've been active on a local level, both in AA and S&C. I have participated on several ELSA event such study visits, seminars, organizing the local moot courts competition. I have also attended ELSA-meetings like the NCM and ICM in Cologne. This year I was a director for the Norwegian National Board, organizing the national moot court competition.

In addition to school and being an active ELSA member I also volunteer at the global human rights organization "Save the children" where I work with refugees. This made me even more interested in the topic human rights. Since I'm also working at the Immigration Appeals Board in Norway I'm especially interested in the topic about Alyssum Seekers and refugees in a globalized world.

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From my ELSA-experience I know how much you can learn through ELSA-activities, and how much fun you have while learning. My motivation to apply for the summer law school in Zadar is that I love ELSA, I love the ELSA spirit and I want to learn more about human rights and globalization.

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