

University of Pavia (I)
The European Center for Law, Science and New Technologies (ECLT)
and
Collegio Ghislieri (Pavia, I)
Launch a Call for Applications to the Course
INNOVATING LEGAL STUDIES AND PRACTICE
(20 positions, 30 hours, 3 ECTS)

Academic Year 2014-15

Technology is changing the practice of law and the meaning of being a lawyer today. Legal practitioners and judges already use advanced technological tools in their everyday activity. In addition, technology affects law itself and its assumptions. Even theoretical legal studies are expected to reconsider the way the law is conceived and conceptualized in its current transnational and global status.

The newborn course on *Innovating Legal Studies and Practice* (ILSP) that will be held at the University of Pavia is the result of an extraordinary cooperation between judiciary, bar and academy. The course is aimed at offering to master degree students (4th - 5th year) a direct knowledge, both from a theoretical and practical perspective, of advanced technological tools, as well as an overview of the legal implications stemming from these technological innovations. An international faculty board and practitioners teach the program.

Why should I apply for ILSP?

Gaining a deeper awareness and knowledge of legal technologies is an essential wild card for students of both the Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Political Science. Likewise, students from Economics, Engineering and other scientific faculties will have the opportunity to gain insights on how the legal environment is changing, as well as to explore new possibilities of technological applications to the legal profession. The course offers crucial tools for new professional profiles covering law and technology: among others, e-lawyers, legal knowledge engineers, interdisciplinary experts able to create and manage platforms offering legal services to lawyers and citizens.

The course

The course is taught in English and is divided into two intertwined parts:

- a) a *theoretical part*, where an international faculty board introduces the students to themes such as technology and law, legal informatics, legal interoperability, transnational law and more;
- b) a *technological practical part*, where, under the supervision of informatics, lawyers and judges, each student will work at a terminal and become familiar with various innovative software platforms which are already used in courtrooms (*Consolle*) and law firms (*Consolle* for lawyers and others). Topics include virtual law practice, automated document assembly, technology assisted document review, and electronic legal work on a multilingual database (ALST).

An additional workshop offers practical advice on *how to create your own professional website*.

Can I apply?

The course is designed for master degree students (4th - 5th year) enrolled in the faculties of Law, Political Science, Economics and other scientific departments. Four positions are reserved to E.L.S.A. members (European Law Student Association) and to foreign students.

How to apply

The Application form and further information are available at: <http://www.unipv-lawtech.eu/innovation.html>
Application form, academic transcript, CV and language certificates must be sent by email to: marialaura.fiorina@gmail.com.

Deadline for pre-registration: June 30th 2014. Deadline for final registration: September 20th 2014.

Within **September 30th** students will be invited to have an interview at the University of Pavia or through Skype for those living outside Lombardy Region.

Selection criteria

The evaluation will be made on the basis of the candidates' qualifications, fluency in English, academic preparation and motivation.

Dates and venue

The course will take place at the **Collegio Ghislieri** in Pavia, 6.00 – 7.40 p.m., on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from **November 3rd 2014** to **December 3rd 2014**.

ECTS and certificates

Students who successfully attend the course will be awarded with a 'Certificate of attendance'. Upon request submitted by the student, each Faculty may recognize the ECTS grade for the participation to the course according to its own criteria (3 ECTS grades for Law Faculty). Further information on the course website.

For more information, the entry requirements or how to apply, please contact: marialaura.fiorina@gmail.com