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**Information Sheet on the Application Process
for the Doctoral Degree Program
“Public International Law: Human Rights – International Economic and Environmental Law-
International Criminal Law”**

The next call for applications will be published in December 2021. If you are interested in our Doctoral Program and are considering making an application for the winter semester 2022-2023, please read the following information carefully.

1. Academic background required: Applicants should have obtained both a bachelor's degree in Law (LLB) and a master's degree in Law (LL.M) at the time of their application. Please note that if you have a degree other than one in Law in your bachelor's and Master's (even in Social Sciences, Political Sciences, or International Relations), your application will not be considered by the Committee.

2. Call for applications: A new Call for Applications will be published in December 2021. The application period runs from January 1st 2022 to March 30th 2022. Only **completed** applications submitted during this time will be evaluated by the Committee.

Note: We do not accept applications that are not submitted by the stipulated deadline.

3. Application process: The application process is completely online. To apply, you will have to fill an online form and submit several documents in PDF format. These include a current CV, list of publications, degree certificates for the bachelor's and master's degrees, transcript of grades, motivation letter, research proposal, among others. The link to the online application form and for submission of the application documents is provided in the Call for Applications.

Note: All the documents must be submitted in the original language accompanied by an English translation (where necessary).

4. GPA required: Applicants must have an outstanding performance in both bachelor's and master's as required by our regulations, which means **excellent** final grades in the German system (1.0 - 1.3 or exceptionally 1.7*). Applications which do not satisfy the minimum final grades required will not be considered by the Committee.

Note: To calculate your grades in the German system, please, visit the following links as a guide (information only available in German). If your final GPA is not "excellent," please do not apply. <https://s.gwdg.de/dVhKjV> - <https://s.gwdg.de/c66OQx>

5. Research proposals: Applicants are free to write their research proposals on any topic related to the fields of our program: International Economic Law, International Environmental Law, Public International Law, or International Criminal Law.

Note: Applicants are not required to contact their desired supervisor in advance.

6. Supervisors: Applicants should indicate their desired supervisor in the online application form. Supervisors do not assist applicants in the elaboration of their research proposals. The supervisors available for our Doctoral Program are

- Prof. Dr. Peter-Tobias Stoll, Chair of the Department of International Economic and Environmental Law (<http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/428941.html>).
- Prof. Dr. Andreas Paulus, Chair of the Department of Public International Law (<http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/428947.html>).
- Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Kai Ambos, Chair of the Institute of International Criminal Law (<https://www.department-ambos.uni-goettingen.de/index.php/en/>)

7. Semester fees: Semester fees are around 390 EUR (<https://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/40054.html>)

8. Scholarships: Our Program does not offer scholarships or research grants.

There are several institutions in Germany that offer research grants (DAAD, FES, KAS, KAAD, etc.). If you are particularly interested in applying for a scholarship with DAAD, please visit the following link: <https://s.gwdg.de/jG0DVY>

Note: Please, be aware that the application process to DAAD or any other scholarship body in Germany is completely separated from the application/admission to our University.

9. Modules and courses: For further information about modules, credits, and courses each semester, please, visit our website <http://uni-goettingen.de/de/507360.html>

10. Language requirements: English is the language of instruction for the Doctoral Program. Applicants whose native language is not English must provide evidence of satisfactory skills in English through minimum results in the following internationally recognized tests, i.e., IELTS/ TOEFL. See <https://uni-goettingen.de/de/regulations/513494.html>

Please note: We only accept the above-mentioned English tests. We do not accept any other test from private English institutes.

Note: Applicants who have spent **at least two years in an English-speaking country** for study or work purposes **within the three years of applying** to the program and applicants who **have completed a degree in English** are exempt from the requirement to provide test results. However, they should upload a document asking to be dispensed from providing a proof of satisfactory English skills explaining the reason and specifying the exemption according to the Program's regulations.