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**MASTER'S DEGREE IN  
PARLAMENTARY  
PROCEDURES AND  
LEGISLATIVE DRAFTING  
ERASMUS MUNDUS**

# Master's Degree in Parliamentary Procedures and Legislative Drafting Erasmus Mundus

Branch of Knowledge

Social Sciences and Law

Centre responsible

Faculty of Law. UCM

Joint

LUISS Guido Carli - University of London

**Orientation:** academic-professional

**Credits:** 90 ECTS

**Duration:** 3 semesters

**Mode:** blended learning

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## Objetives

The Master's is an innovative project that enables students to gain an in-depth knowledge of parliamentary procedures and legislative techniques in three capitals that host Parliaments (Rome, Madrid and London). It is based on the collaboration of prestigious research institutes, specialising in Parliamentary Law and Legislative Studies: the Center for Parliamentary Studies (LUISS Guido Carli, Rome), the Institute of Parliamentary Law (UCM) and the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (University of London). The quality of the programme is endorsed by the European Commission, which has been awarded the Erasmus Mundus seal.

## Target

Graduates in the area of Social Sciences and Law interested in the constitutional organisation of States and the

European Union. A high level of English is required (IELTS score 7.0). Special consideration shall be given to candidates with some previous work experience in the areas of Parliamentary Law or Legislative Techniques.

## ¿Why study this Master's?

The purpose of this Master's is to enable students to draft papers for academic publication, and therefore it promotes acquisition of research skills and collaboration with leading-edge research groups. The Master's includes a Visiting Professors programme which allows renowned experts from other universities to deliver specialised seminars on current topics. Participation of teachers and students with many different nationalities fosters enriching comparative perspectives.

Likewise, it enhances professional competencies through networking with experts. A very high percentage of the teachers in this Master's have work experience in parliamentary bodies. Furthermore, there is a specific seminar programme in which experts are invited to share their professional experience and provide students with guidance. The programme also includes internships. The Master's is supported by a long list of collaborating organisations.

## Structure

The programme has three subject modules. The academic year begins in October 2017 in Rome, with the module ***The shape of Parliaments in European Constitutional Democracies***. From October to December, five subjects are taken (30 ECTS), analysing Parliamentary organisation, with a special focus on the consequences of European integration. Next,

students move to Madrid, to pursue, from february to april 2018, the module **Parliamentary Procedures**. This module is made up of five subjects (30 ECTS) on parliamentary procedures and elections. The subjects cover classical parliamentary functions (legislative, control and budgetary) and electoral process guarantees. Third, students take two subjects in London, from may to july 2018, on **Legislative Drafting and Comparative Legislative Studies** (20 ECTS).

Each module is completed with a programme of seminars and lectures, with the participation of Visiting Professors (Visiting professor's seminars) and

professional experts (Guest professional seminar series).

Finally, from september to december 2018, students must do an internship (with no academic workload assigned) and the Final Project (10 ECTS), to be presented before an evaluation committee in the first quarter of 2019.

## Syllabus

TYPE OF SUBJECT	ECTS
Compulsory	80
Final Project	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>

<b>Year One</b>		
Compulsory Subjects	ECTS	Semester
<b>Module: The Shape of Parliaments in European Constitutional Democracies (Rome, october-december 2017)</b>		
1. History of Parliaments and Representative Democracy	6	1°
2. Organisation of Parliaments and Sources of Law	6	1°
3. The Europeanization of National Parliaments and the Euro-national Parliamentary System	6	1°
4. The European Parliament in the "Composite" European Constitution	6	1°
5. Sub-national Parliaments	6	1°
<b>Module: Parliamentary Procedures (Madrid, february-april 2018)</b>		
1. Re-inventing Legislative Process	6	2°
2. EU Legislative Procedure	6	2°
3. The Function of Parliamentary Control	6	2°
4. Parliamentary Budget Process and Economic Governance	6	2°
5. Principles of Free and Fair Elections, System of Appeal and Electoral Review	6	2°
<b>Module: Parliamentary Legislative Drafting (London, may-july 2018)</b>		
1. Legislative Drafting	10	2°
2. Comparative Legislative Studies	10	2°

<b>Year Two</b>		
Final Project (september-december 2018)	ECTS	Semester
Final Project	10	1°



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