



Double Degree with Berkeley School of Law; University of California, USA

Berkeley Law, located on the eastern shore of San Francisco Bay, is one of 14 schools and colleges at the University of California, Berkeley. It is consistently ranked as one of the top 10 law schools in the United States. The professors are outstanding lecturers and internationally recognized experts in a wide range of disciplines.

Number of Study Places:

The double degree master's program with Berkeley Law is limited to 5 study places.

Minimum Requirements:

- A minimum average grade of 5.0 in the Bachelor's degree **and**
- Completion of the Bachelor of Law degree within five years

Special Admission Requirements:

Language proficiency may be demonstrated through the following language tests, among others (subject to change):

- **IELTS (International English Language Testing System):**
 - Minimum overall score of 7.0, with at least 6.5 in Writing and Speaking.
- **TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language):**
 - For tests taken up to 21 January 2026: minimum overall score of 100.
 - For tests taken from 21 January 2026: minimum overall score of 5.0, with at least 4.5 in Writing and Speaking.

Detailed information on other recognised language qualifications and accepted test formats can be found on the [partner faculty's website](#). Please note that, at the start of studies at the partner faculty, **English language certificates must be no more than two years old**. For applications to the Faculty of Law of the University of Zurich (RWF UZH), language certificates should generally be no more than one year old.

Tuition Fees:

USD 75'550 per year (fees for the 2025/26 academic year, subject to change). Please refer to the [UC Berkeley Law website](#) for detailed information on tuition fees.

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Duration of Studies:

A Double Degree Master's program usually lasts four semesters, two of which are completed at RWF UZH. At Berkeley Law, depending on

the chosen study program, either a full academic year or two consecutive summer courses are completed. (The summer courses each last a minimum of 8 weeks. An extension with additional courses up to 10 weeks is included in the fees.)

Language:

Courses and examinations at Berkeley Law are held in English.

Study Program:

The Double Degree study programs offered by RWF UZH can only be combined with the "**LL.M. Executive Track**" at Berkeley Law. The Executive Track includes the following two options:

- **Option A, Remote + Summer:** The program can be completed in one academic year, studying online and part-time (approximately 15 hours workload/week) in both the spring (January – May) and fall (September – November), and full-time (on-site) in the summer.
- **Option B, Two Summers:** 8 weeks of on-site study at Berkeley Law during each of two consecutive summers. (An extension up to 10 weeks with additional courses is included in the fee.)

A flexible curriculum includes business law, intellectual property law, AI Law and Regulation, and courses from the core area of American law.

Degrees:

Master of Law UZH from the Faculty of Law of the University of Zurich (RWF UZH) and Master of Laws (LL.M.) from Berkeley Law, University of California.

Important Notice:

Students participating in the programme with our partner faculties are generally eligible to apply for graduation from the RWF UZH no earlier than the second graduation deadline.

