UNIVERSITÀ DI PARMA

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Master's Degree in
GLOBAL FOOD LAW: SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGES AND INNOVATION
LM SC/GIUR

Programme of Study

FIRST YEAR

(students enrolled in a.y. 2026/27)

TAF	SSD	Subject	Credits
B	GIUR-05/A - GIUR-11/B	Italian and Comparative Constitutional Law on Food "In-security" Module: a. Constitutional Ideas on Food Law – GIUR-05/A (6 ECTS) b. Comparative Food Law between Security and Innovation – GIUR-11/B (6 ECTS)	12
B	GIUR-03/B	Food Law and EU Agricultural Policy	6
B	GIUR-10/A	EU Law for Food Safety, Sustainability and Climate Change	6
B	GIUR-01/A	Food Business Operators and Private Law: Liability, Contracts, Competition	6
B	GIUR-02/A	Global Trade Law and Food Design Module: a. Global Trade Law, International Commerce and Corporates' Innovation (6 CFU) b. Food Design and Intellectual Property Rights (6 CFU)	12
B	GIUR-16/A	Cultural and Legal History of Food	6
C	AGRI-07/A CHEM-07/B MEDS-08/C	Fundamentals of Food Sciences *	6

	ECON-04/A	or Economics of Innovation and Sustainability*	
Total Credits			54

* One elective course from the list.

SECOND YEAR

(students enrolled in a.y. 2025/26)

TAF	SSD	Subject	Credits
B	GIUR-04/A	Food Employment Law	6
B	GIUR-14/A – GIUR-13/A	Food and Criminal Justice Module: a. Food, Crime and Law – GIUR-14/A (6 ECTS) b. Investigative Power and Defensive Rights in Food Related Criminal Proceedings – GIUR-13/A (6 ECTS)	12
C		Two elective courses from one of the following list[1]:	12
		1) Innovation in the Agri-food Sector	
	GSPS-06/A – GIUR-03/B	Food, Communication and Fake news	6
	MVET-01/B - MVET-04/B - GIUR-11/B	Animal Welfare	6
	GIUR-06/A	Administrative Law and Sustainable Energy in the Agri-Food Sector	6
	GIUR-03/A	Risk Assessment at the EU Level: The Role of EFSA	6
	AGRI-01/A	Economy of Value Chain	6
	GSPS-05/A	Sociology of Critical Food Consumption	6
	ECON-02/A	Nudging, Behavioral Insights and Food Policy	6
	GIUR-08/A	Climate Change, Food and Taxation	6
	GIUR-11/B	Novel Food Law in a Comparative Perspective: Cultured Meat and Beyond	6

	GIUR-05/A	Biotechnology and Food Safety: Constitutional Principles from GMO to Crispr	6
	GIUR-03/B	Law of the Wine Sector	6
	AGRI-01/A	Consumer Behaviour	6
		OR	
		2) Sustainability and Food Systems	
	GSPS-06/A – GIUR-03/B	Food, Communication and Fake News	6
	STEC-01/B	Economic History and Global Food	6
	GIUR-07/A	Food Rituality and Cultural Justice	6
	GSPS-02/A	Food Regimes and International Security	6
	GIUR-11/B	Food Law and Health Protection: A Comparative Perspective	6
	GIUR-06/A	Administrative Law and Sustainable Energy in the Agri-Food Sector	6
	ECON-02/A	Circular Economy, Materials and Waste	6
	AGRI-01/A	Economy of Value Chain	6
	GSPS-05/A	Sociology of Critical Food Consumption	6
	ECON-06/A	Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) in the Agri-Food Sector	6
	GIUR-04/A	Trade Union Relations in Food Industry	6
	GIUR-08/A	Climate Change, Food and Taxation	6
	GIUR-09/A	Food Sustainability, International Security and Human Rights	6
	GIUR-10/A	Food Advertising and Labelling Regulation	6
	GIUR-15/A	Cibus, Food in Roman Law and Society	6
D		Elective Activities[2]	12
F		Visits to organizations and companies/Seminars or (only for foreign students) "Italian Language for Foreigners"[3]	3
E		Final Dissertation	21
		Total Credits	66

NOTES

Note

[1] To fulfill TAF C requirements, students must choose courses (for a total of 12 ECTS) within one of the two groups: 'Innovation in the Agri-Food Sector' and 'Sustainability and Food Systems'.

[2] As for the elective activities/options, students can attain a total of 12 ECTS by combining one or more of the following options:

a. Courses offered within the TAF C modules (in addition to those previously selected); courses delivered in English by the other Degree Programs in the Department or the University; cross-curricular courses in English, as specified year by year by the University and the Course Council; exams completed abroad through the Erasmus programme; curricular internship activities for 6 ECTS (the internship can be brought forward to the first year of the course); participation in Summer Schools or other similar international training programs organized by the University of Parma, in collaboration with the Department's Internationalization Commission;
b. Professional Skills course (6 ECTS);
c. In lieu of a single elective course (TAF D) students may include in their study plan the activities listed below. The earned ECTS must be at least 6, and can be attributed to more than one of the listed activities. Any additional ECTS, beyond the 6 acquired through the listed activities, will still be certified in the student's academic record.

- "Free participation activities" (sports, cultural, artistic or social activities certified according to the provisions established by the "Regulation for Free Participation Activities" https://www.unipr.it/crediti-attivita-di-libera-partecipazione";
- Universal Civil Service: students who have completed national civil service, and expressly require it to be recognized, can be granted 6 ECTS as an elective activity in lieu of free participation activity recognition established in the point above. In order to receive credits for Universal Civil Service, the interested student should submit a specific request, filling out the appropriate form and attaching the relevant certification. The Course Council will automatically recognize the activity without reviewing the service undertaken by the student. If the student is unwilling or unable to request recognition of the abovementioned activities, the student can request the recognition of 6 ECTS for training internship. In this case, however, the activities undertaken must be consistent with the student's study plan and the educational programme of the degree course. The activity will be evaluated through the same procedure used – on the didactic level – to determine the equivalence between external activities independently carried out by the student and training internships.

N.B: for courses worth more than 6 ECTS, the credits obtained by passing the exam will still be counted in the student's academic record as additional credits beyond those required to obtain the degree.

[3] The Italian language proficiency exam is only required for foreign students. Students must however participate in organisations and companies visits and/or seminars. In this case, the 3 ECTS obtained will still be counted in the student's academic record as additional credits beyond the 120 ECTS required to obtain the degree.