



Double Degree Programs in Law: Chances and Challenges

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Overview



Legal Education in
Germany



Internationalisation of
German Law Faculties



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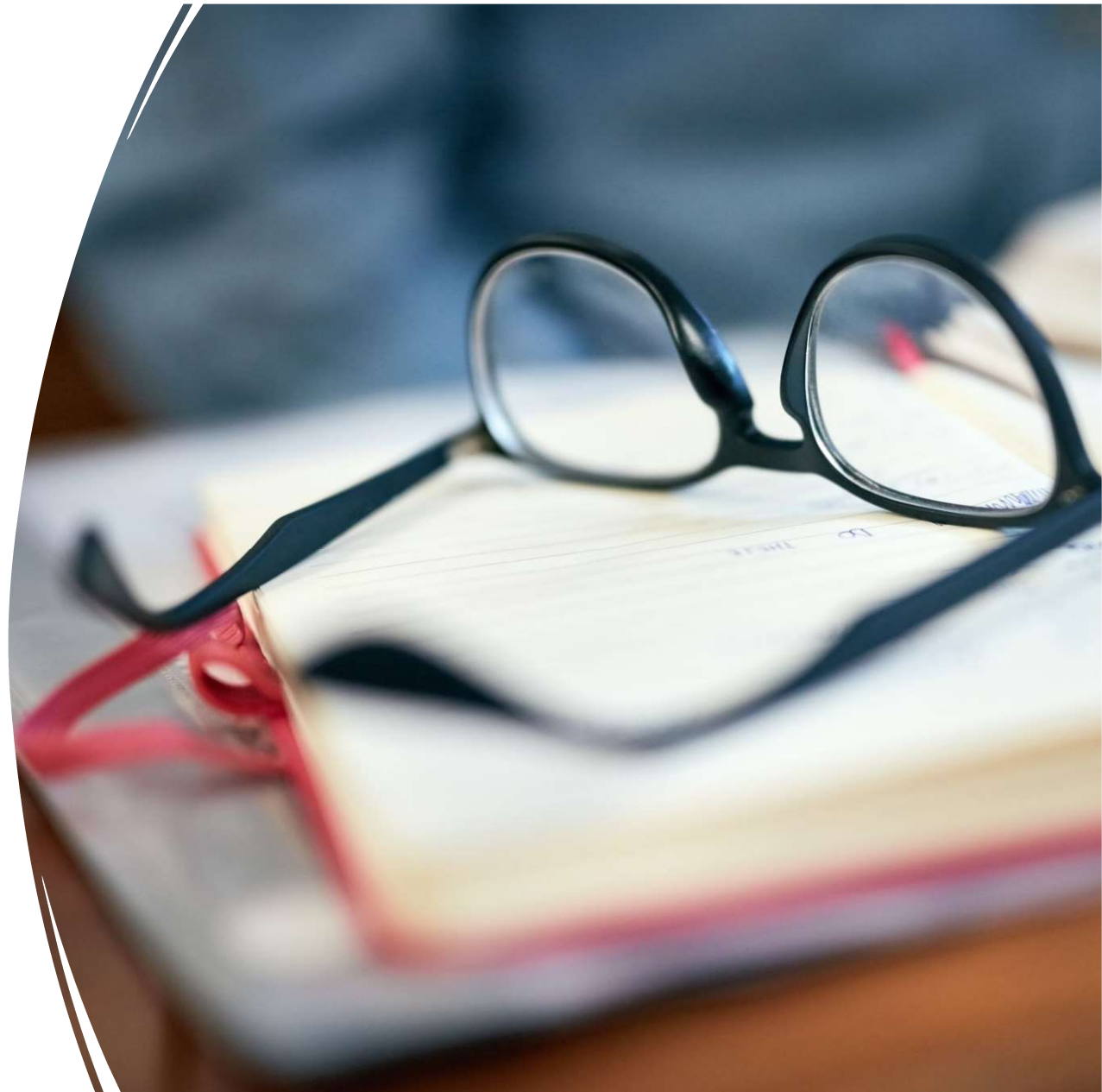
Two-tier system: first cycle at universities (approx. 4 years), second cycle bar exam (2 years)

Both cycles conclude with a state exam

No bachelor/master-degree

Internationalisation of German Law Faculties

- Legal studies are very national
- Courses have to be offered in German due to the State Exam
- Law & Language Programs at different faculties
- Students should go abroad for gaining different insights
- Numbers are usually not terribly high
- Cooperation programs with foreign faculties, e. g. Erasmus+, university partnerships



Chances for Double-Degree Programs

- Closer cooperation between universities/faculties
- Cross-border teaching, adaptation to different cultures
- Creating specially trained lawyers





Challenges for Double Degree-Programs

- Different languages (shall the program be taught in two languages or in a common foreign language)
- Different examination & grading styles
- Different teaching styles
- State examination: No need/time for German students to attend a double degree-program

Conclusions

- Very mixed picture
- Internationalisation is imminent for German and Ukrainian universities
- A number of obstacles, most notably the language of instruction and the State exam



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your attention