

ECTS catalog with learning outcomes
University of Montenegro

Faculty of Law / - LEGAL SCIENCES - /

Course:				
Course ID	Course status	Semester	ECTS credits	Lessons (Lessons+Exercises+Laboratory)
12081	Mandatory	3	4	2+2+0
Programs	- LEGAL SCIENCES -			
Prerequisites	None			
Aims	The course aims to help students improve their abilities to read and understand legal texts in English, to increase their comprehension of spoken legal and academic English, to strengthen their speaking and presentation skills, and help them engage more effectively in a number of law-related discussions and interviews. Furthermore, it aims to assist students in developing some basic writing skills necessary both for their studies and future profession (such as note-taking and the basics of contract drafting), and, generally, to enrich their legal English vocabulary. To this end, a number of authentic texts, audio, and video materials are used accompanied by a range of communicative activities enabling better comprehension of the topic and use of legal terms as well as encouraging students to take an active part in class discussions and conduct additional research on their own.			
Learning outcomes	By the end of this course, students will be able to: 1. Make effective use of basic legal terminology and appropriate grammar while discussing, listening and reading about topics of relevance to constitutional law, criminal law, contract law and human rights; 2. Make effective use of key EAP vocabulary; 3. Give an effective presentation in English on an idea or concept important for law or legal profession illustrating it with specific examples and cases; 4. Conduct an initial lawyer-client interview; 5. Prepare a draft version of a basic commercial contract; 6. Prepare a CV in Europass format and a motivation letter for the purpose applying for a student exchange mobility or job opening.			
Lecturer / Teaching assistant	Doc. dr Petar Božović; Savo Kostić, lector			
Methodology	Introduction to subject areas, discussions, individual, pair and group work, presentations			
Plan and program of work				
Preparing week	Preparation and registration of the semester			
I week lectures	Introduction to the course			
I week exercises	Introduction to the course			
II week lectures	The Study of Law			
II week exercises	Europass CV			
III week lectures	The Law and Language			
III week exercises	Europass CV			
IV week lectures	Understanding the Law			
IV week exercises	Motivation letter			
V week lectures	The Branches of Law and the Rule of Law			
V week exercises	Motivation letter			
VI week lectures	Constitutional Law 1: We the People ...			
VI week exercises	Job/ Scholarship interview			
VII week lectures	Constitutional Law 2: The Administration of Justice			
VII week exercises	Job/ Scholarship interview			
VIII week lectures	Criminal Law 1: Its Against the Law			
VIII week exercises	Student presentations			
IX week lectures	Criminal Law 2: Going to Court			
IX week exercises	Student presentations			
X week lectures	Human Rights 1: European Convention on Human Rights			
X week exercises	Student presentations			
XI week lectures	Human Rights 2: The European Court of Human Rights			

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XI week exercises	Student presentations					
XII week lectures	Contract Law					
XII week exercises	Student presentations					
XIII week lectures	Midterm exam					
XIII week exercises	Midterm exam					
XIV week lectures	Makeup midterm exam					
XIV week exercises	Makeup midterm exam					
XV week lectures	End-of-course review					
XV week exercises	End-of-course review					
Student workload						
Per week				Per semester		
4 credits x 40/30=5 hours and 20 minuts 2 sat(a) theoretical classes 0 sat(a) practical classes 2 excercises 1 hour(s) i 20 minuts of independent work, including consultations	Classes and final exam: 5 hour(s) i 20 minuts x 16 =85 hour(s) i 20 minuts Necessary preparation before the beginning of the semester (administration, registration, certification): 5 hour(s) i 20 minuts x 2 =10 hour(s) i 40 minuts Total workload for the subject: 4 x 30=120 hour(s) Additional work for exam preparation in the preparing exam period, including taking the remedial exam from 0 to 30 hours (remaining time from the first two items to the total load for the item) 24 hour(s) i 0 minuts Workload structure: 85 hour(s) i 20 minuts (cources), 10 hour(s) i 40 minuts (preparation), 24 hour(s) i 0 minuts (additional work)					
Student obligations	Regular attendance and informed participation, homework assignment submissions, presentations, midterm and final exams.					
Consultations	By appointment.					
Literature	Petar Božović, Legal English, University of Montenegro: Faculty of Philology (forthcoming); Silvana Popović, English Grammar for Lawyers with Answers, Univerzitet u Beogradu, Pravni fakultet: 2019; A selection of authentic legal texts.					
Examination methods	Homework assignments - 10 points; Midterm exam - 50 points; Final exam - 30 points; Attendance and informed in-class participation - 10 points.					
Special remarks	The lectures and tutorials are in English.					
Comment	Students will be given detailed information about the course and requirements during the first week. It is preferred to organize classes in groups not larger than 30 students. In case of smaller groups, the assessment section can be slightly adjusted to include more activities and better accommodate the needs of the group.					
Grade:	F	E	D	C	B	A
Number of points	less than 50 points	greater than or equal to 50 points and less than 60 points	greater than or equal to 60 points and less than 70 points	greater than or equal to 70 points and less than 80 points	greater than or equal to 80 points and less than 90 points	greater than or equal to 90 points