



Introduction to Legal Science

Educational subject description sheet

Basic information

Study programme European Legal Studies	Didactic cycle 2023/24	
Speciality -	Subject code 10ELSS.11N.11630.23	
Organizational unit Faculty of Law and Administration	Lecture languages English	
Study level First-cycle programme	Course type Obligatory	
Study form Full-time	Block Subjects not assigned	
Education profile General academic		
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Lecturer	Maciej Dybowski	
Period Semester 1	Activities and hours • Lecture: 30, Exam	Number of ECTS points 4

Goals

Code	Goal
C1	Providing students with basic knowledge necessary to understand the concept of law and related concepts, the methods of lawyer's intellectual work

Subject learning outcomes

Code	Outcomes in terms of	Learning outcomes	Examination methods
Knowledge - Student:			
W1	understands and applies basic legal concepts	ELS_K1_W01, ELS_K1_W03	Written exam, Oral exam
W2	is able to analyse and understand legal phenomena	ELS_K1_W01	Written exam, Oral exam
W3	is able to use legal texts	ELS_K1_W03	Written exam, Oral exam
W4	is able to interpret legal texts at a basic level	ELS_K1_W03	Written exam, Oral exam
W5	is able to identify legal situations and see interdependencies between them	ELS_K1_W04	Written exam, Oral exam
Skills - Student:			
U1	understands and apply basic legal concepts	ELS_K1_U01, ELS_K1_U11	Written exam, Oral exam
U2	is able to analyse and understand legal phenomena	ELS_K1_U01, ELS_K1_U02, ELS_K1_U08	Written exam, Oral exam
U3	is able to use legal texts	ELS_K1_U01, ELS_K1_U02, ELS_K1_U10	Written exam, Oral exam
U4	is able to interpret legal texts at a basic level	ELS_K1_U01, ELS_K1_U02, ELS_K1_U05, ELS_K1_U07, ELS_K1_U10	Written exam, Oral exam
U5	is able to identify legal situations and see interdependencies between them	ELS_K1_U01, ELS_K1_U02, ELS_K1_U08	Written exam, Oral exam
Social competences - Student:			
K1	is able to use legal texts	ELS_K1_K01	Written exam, Oral exam
K2	is able to interpret legal texts at a basic level	ELS_K1_K01	Written exam, Oral exam
K3	is able to identify legal situations and see interdependencies between them	ELS_K1_K01	Written exam, Oral exam

Study content

No.	Course content	Subject learning outcomes	Activities
1.	Semiotic problems of norms of conduct. Structure and types of norms of conduct. Conventional acts.	W1, U1	Lecture
2.	Validity of norms of conduct. Legal norms, their types and their structure. Sanction.	W1, W2, U1, U2	Lecture
3.	Concept and types of sources of law (law-creating facts)	W1, W2, W3, U1, U2, U3, K1	Lecture
4.	Concept, structure and types of normative acts. Language of law and language of lawyers	W1, W2, U1, U2	Lecture
5.	Validity of law in time. Entry into force and termination of validity of normative acts	W2, W3, U2, U3, K1	Lecture
6.	Interpretation of law. Objectives of interpretation and the conception of rational legislator. Types and stages of interpretation of law.	W2, W3, W4, U2, U3, U4, K1, K2	Lecture

No.	Course content	Subject learning outcomes	Activities
7.	Juridical inference	W4, U4, K2	Lecture
8.	System of law. Formal properties of a system of law. Types of bonds in a system of law.	W1, U1	Lecture
9.	Application of law. Foundations of justifying decisions.	W2, W3, U2, U3, K1	Lecture
10.	Legal situations (primary and secondary)	W1, W5, U1, U5, K3	Lecture

Additional information

Activities	Teaching and learning methods and activities
Lecture	Lecture with a multimedia presentation of selected issues, Problem-based lecture, Discussion

Activities	Credit conditions
Lecture	<p>excellent (A ; 5,0):</p> <p>a) excellent knowledge of knowledge of contents taught in Introduction to the Legal Science course.</p> <p>b) very good background for articulation of statements and opinions and rational substantiation thereof.</p> <p>very good (B+; 4,5):</p> <p>c) very good knowledge of contents taught in Introduction to the Legal Science course.</p> <p>d) verygood background for articulation of statements and opinions and rational substantiation thereof</p> <p>good (B ; 4,0):</p> <p>a) good knowledge of contents taught in Introduction to the Legal Science course.</p> <p>b) good background for articulation of statements and opinions and rational substantiation thereof</p> <p>average (C+,3,5)</p> <p>a) average knowledge of contents taught in Introduction to the Legal Science course.</p> <p>b) average background for articulation of statements and opinions and rational substantiation thereof</p> <p>satisfactory (C; 3,0):</p> <p>a) satisfactory knowledge of contents taught in Introduction to the Legal Science course.</p> <p>b) satisfactory background for articulation of statements and opinions and rational substantiation thereof.</p> <p>unsatisfactory (D ; 2,0):</p> <p>a) unsatisfactory knowledge of contents taught in Introduction to the Legal Science course.;</p> <p>c) unsatisfactory background for articulation of statements and opinions and rational substantiation thereof.</p>

Literature

Obligatory

1. Zygmunt Ziemiński, Practical Logic, chapters VIII, XVII, XVIII, Springer, Dordrecht [any edition] Zygmunt Ziemiński (ed.), Polish contributions to the theory and philosophy of law, Part III, Rodopi, Amsterdam 1987 Marek Smolak, Paweł Kwiatkowski (eds.), Poznań School of Legal Thoery, Brill Rodopi, Leiden 2020

Calculation of ECTS points

Activities	Activity hours*
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Lecture	30
Preparation for the exam	30
Preparation for classes	30
Reading the indicated literature	30
Student workload	Hours 120
Number of ECTS points	ECTS 4

* academic hour = 45 minutes

Efekty uczenia się dla kierunku

Kod	Treść
ELS_K1_K01	The graduate is ready to critically appraise his or her knowledge, particularly in the context of the changing acquis on the regulation and critical assessment of the acquired knowledge, especially in view of the changing acquis on the regulation and application of law
ELS_K1_U01	The graduate can interpret social phenomena (cultural, political, legal, economic) within legal science
ELS_K1_U02	The graduate can use the basic theoretical knowledge and independently procure data to analyse individual processes and social phenomena (cultural, political, legal and economic) within legal science
ELS_K1_U05	The graduate can use basic EU normative systems and selected norms, rules and regulations (legal, professional, moral) to solve a specific task
ELS_K1_U07	The graduate can identify and analyse selected solution of specific individual problems and propose relevant resolutions
ELS_K1_U08	The graduate can identify and analyse the basic phenomena that occur in legal sciences and are related to European integration
ELS_K1_U10	The graduate can read with understanding, and be capable of preparing, standard texts in English on European Union law, pertaining to detailed issues or specific subjects, using basic theoretical approaches and source materials
ELS_K1_U11	The graduate can have a command of a foreign modern language at B2+ level according to the Common European Reference for Languages, including specific terminology
ELS_K1_W01	The graduate knows and understands the foundations of the science of law and its relation to other sciences, including the processes of internalisation and regionalisation
ELS_K1_W03	The graduate knows and understands the concept and scope of European Union law, including a deepened understanding of its sources approached in a systematic way
ELS_K1_W04	The graduate knows and understands a deepened understanding of the European Convention for the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms against the background of international systems of human rights protection