

ENGLISH – SYLLABUS (GENERAL)

SUBJECT:

CIVIL LAW

Studies: Management

II cycle studies
Excellence in Management

Faculty: Management

Subject status	Type of studies	Semester/ Term	Teaching hours		ECTS Points
			lectures	classes	
	Full time studies	1	16	14	5

Course description:

Civil Law is a fundamental branch of legal studies that deals with non-criminal legal matters, primarily concerning private rights and obligations. In a study program on Civil Law, students explore the body of laws and regulations governing civil disputes, contracts, property rights, and family law, among other areas. This subject is a cornerstone of the legal system and equips students with the knowledge and skills needed to navigate the complexities of civil legal issues. Students gain a deep understanding of legal concepts such as torts, contracts, property law, and family law. They learn to interpret statutes and case law, analyse legal precedents, and construct persuasive legal arguments. In addition to legal theory, the program emphasizes practical aspects, including legal research, case preparation, and courtroom advocacy. Civil Law programmes also focused on fostering ethical behaviour and professionalism within the legal field. Students are encouraged to uphold the highest ethical standards, promote justice, and contribute positively to society through their legal practice. The course is filled in with many case studies and practical examples of civil law, so it should be interesting for all those students who are eager to deal with civil law issues also after the course.

COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- Legal Knowledge: Students should develop a strong foundational knowledge of civil law, including its key principles, concepts, and legal doctrines, enabling them to understand and interpret the law effectively.
- Legal Analysis and Critical Thinking: By the end of the program, students should be able to critically analyse complex legal issues, identify relevant legal precedents, and apply legal reasoning to construct persuasive arguments and make sound legal decisions.
- Effective Legal Research: Students should be proficient in legal research techniques, including the ability to find and evaluate legal sources, statutes, regulations, and case law, to support their legal arguments and provide comprehensive legal solutions.
- Ethical and Professional Conduct: The program should instil a strong sense of legal ethics, professionalism, and social responsibility, ensuring that students adhere to high ethical standards in their legal practice and maintain the integrity of the legal profession.
- Communication and Advocacy: Students should develop excellent written and oral communication skills, enabling them to present their legal arguments persuasively in legal documents, oral arguments, and courtroom proceedings. Additionally, they should be skilled in negotiation, mediation, and other forms of dispute resolution.
- Critical Thinking and Problem Solving: Students should be capable of critically analysing complex economic issues, identifying problems, and proposing solutions based on sound legal reasoning.

Teaching the functions and role of civil law for contemporary market entities, developing skills in legal problems, as well as analysing data (from primary and secondary data).

Creating presentations for the reports and written reports on legal problems. Training of social competences related to collective problem solving and preparing and introducing all stages of legal problems in contemporary world.

COURSE EVALUATION:

Workshops – legal report (written and oral), case studies, classes participation and activities

Lectures - final exam test with closed and open problems (or TBA during classes)

The grading scale is as follows:

100% - 85%	5.0 (excellent)
84,9% - 75%	4.5 (very good)
74,9% - 70%	4.0 (good)
69,9% - 60%	3.5 (very satisfactory)
50% - 59,9%	3.0 (satisfactory)
< 50%	2.0 (failure)

Course policies and class rules:

The use of smartphones, mobile phones, all devices with internet access, are not allowed during the exams. During other in-class assignments you can use them for assignment purposes only. Students are expected to take full responsibility for their academic work and academic progress. Students are expected to attend class regularly, for consistent attendance offers the most effective opportunity open to all students to gain a developing command of the concepts and materials of the course. The study programme is strict about student attendance regulations. Students who focus on the business of the class increase their likelihood of success. They can do so by listening attentively to the instructor or to other students while participating in discussions. During class, they can participate as fully as possible and volunteer to answer questions. Students should minimise all behaviours that distract others during the class. Talking to other students apart from class discussions is inappropriate. Students who arrive late should seat themselves as quietly and as near to the door as they can. Students who must leave before the class period ends should exit quietly. The course material is designed to be completed within the semester time frame.

Finally, please feel free to come and see me to ask questions or to discuss difficult material. The course material is all cumulative. If you do not understand what happens in the first week, you will not understand what happens in the last week.

Teaching Methods:

Lectures and classes (multimedia, case study, individual and team workshops – projects on legal chosen topic)

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Main topics:

1. "Introduction to Civil Law" - An overview of the civil legal system, its history, and its role in society.

2. "Contracts and Obligations" - Exploring the principles of contract law and the legal obligations that arise from contractual relationships.
3. "Property and Real Estate Law" - Examining property rights, land ownership, and the legal framework governing real estate transactions.
4. "Torts and Personal Injury Law" - Investigating the principles of tort law, liability for harm, and remedies for personal injuries.
5. "Family Law and Domestic Relations" - Covering legal issues related to marriage, divorce, child custody, and domestic partnerships.
6. "Civil Procedure and Litigation" - Discussing the rules and procedures for civil litigation, including case initiation, discovery, and courtroom practices.

Both lectures and classes cover all above.

Literature

Main texts:

1. John C. Coffee Jr., "Cases and Materials on Corporations and Other Business Entities", Wolters Kluwer, 2017
2. Melvin A. Eisenberg, "Foundations of Private Law: Property, Tort, Contract, Unjust Enrichment", Oxford University Press, 2006

Additional required reading material:

1. Joseph W. Glannon, "The Glannon Guide to Civil Procedure: Learning Civil Procedure Through Multiple-Choice Questions and Analysis", Wolters Kluwer, 2020
2. John Henry Merryman and Rogelio Pérez-Perdomo, "The Civil Law Tradition: An Introduction to the Legal Systems of Western Europe and Latin America", Stanford University Press, 2007

Rules of the exams on subject (Assessments)

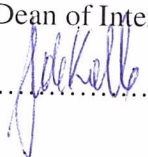
Lectures – Written exam (test and case study)

Classes – homework, teamwork, case studies, discussions

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