Law methodology and culture

Academic Year: (2018 / 2019) **Review date: 18-04-2018**

Department assigned to the subject: International Law, Ecclesiastical Law and Philosophy of Law Department

Coordinating teacher: CELADOR ANGON, OSCAR

Type: Basic Core ECTS Credits : 6.0

Year : 1 Semester : 1

Branch of knowledge: Social Sciences and Law

REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

no information

OBJECTIVES

1. Consciousness of Law as a system to regulate social relations
2. Consciousness of the Legal System as a whole and consciousness of the necessary interdisciplinary approach to legal problems
3. Ability to use different legal texts (Acts, Bills, judgments and rulings)
4. Ability to use principles and constitutional values in the interpretation of legal system
5. Commitment and understanding of ethical values and principles
6. Ability to take a position on the concept of rights and their role in the constitutional order.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

This subject is the first approach of the student to the legal phenomenon.

Main Topics:
1. Sources of Law
2. Interpretation and implementation of law
3. Legal Systems: Common Law and Continental Law.
4. Introduction to Human Rights and Human Values (Dignity, Liberty, Equality, Justice)
5. Meaning and Significance of Human Rights
6. What are the rights? Individual and civil rights; Political rights; Economic, social and cultural rights
7. Introduction to International Law
8. Introduction to EU Law

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

The course implies practical and theoretical knowledge.
With regard to the teaching method, alongside the traditional theoretical seminars, a good deal of practice sessions shall take place (solution of real conflicts, individually or in groups, analysis of facts) that will let the student apply the knowledge acquired to the problems that he might face in his professional life

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

To evaluate the practical part (0 to 4 points of the final mark, 40% of final grade) the teacher shall take into account the participation in the class and the making of the cases required. With regard to the theoretical part, the student shall have to take a written exam (0 to 6 points of the final mark, 60% of final grade).
Final rating
The final grade for the course is the sum of previous grades.

% end-of-term-examination:	60
% of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals…):	40

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Alston, Philip The United Nations and Human Rights: A Critical Appraisal, Oxford, UK: Clarendon Press , 1992

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- Jessica Almqvist Human Rights, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012
- Public law Hilaire Barnett, Marinos Diamantides Public law, University of London International Programmes Publications Office, 2012
- The Idea of Human Rights. Beitz, Charles R., Oxford: Oxford University Press., 2009