Sociology of Law

Academic Year: (2019 / 2020) **Review date: 05-05-2020**

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

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Type: Compulsory ECTS Credits : 2.0

Year : 1 Semester : 2

OBJECTIVES

Students should gain basic competences, knowledge and skills in sociology of law. Given the conceptual nature of this course, students should know the different approaches and theories of legal sociology and should be capable of assess them in a critical way.
The course provides the analytical foundations to study human rights from a socio-legal perspective, and to connect them with other social phenomena.
Students should deal with wide range of bibliography, methods and strategies of investigation.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

1. What is legal sociology? A Historical approach.
2. What is legal sociology? A conceptual approach.
3. Sociology of Human Rights: An introduction
4. Critical Sociology of Human Rights
5. Sociological research of Human Rights.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

Learning activities
- Theoretical sessions: 8 h.
- Practical sessions: 4 h.

Methodology:
- Professor's explanations on basic concepts and general indications for reading.
- Critical reading of recommended texts
- Discussion of cases
- Elaboration of papers.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

- Individual works during the course 20%
- Final paper 80%

On the extraordinary call same system will be used.

% end-of-term-examination:	0
% of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals…):	100

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

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- FERRARI, V., Acción jurídica y sistema normativo. Introducción a la sociología del derecho, Dykinson, 2000

- SOUSA SANTOS, B., Sociología jurídica crítica. Para un nuevo sentido común en el derecho, Trotta, 2008

- TREVES, Renato La sociología del Derecho. Orígenes, investigaciones, problemas,, Ariel, 1998