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Bachelor Thesis

Academic Year: (2021 / 2022) Review date: 04-06-2021

Department assigned to the subject: Criminal Law, Procedural Law and History Law Department, International Law,

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Type: Bachelor Thesis ECTS Credits: 6.0

Year: 4 Semester:

REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

For the Bachelor Thesis to be evaluated, the student may only have 30 ETCS pending to obtain the Degree (including those corresponding to the Bachelor Thesis).

OBJECTIVES

- Knowledge of legal questions.
- Knowledge of legal methodology: techniques, use of doctrine, legal argumentation, etc.
- Writing communication skills.
- Oral communication skills.
- Ethical skills.
- Use of knowledge for solving legal problems.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

The students must develop an individual thesis where they show the skills and abilities acquired in the Degree. The Bachelor Thesis must be original, with a theoretical or applied orientation.

The students will have assigned a personal tutor to supervise their Bachelor Thesis. There are two ways to organize the relationship with the tutor, and consequently the subject can be structured in two ways:

- a) General modality: The students are organized in class groups analogously to any other groups (enrollment, class, internet, etc.). Each group is linked to a specific field of legal knowledge, with a specialized tutor in each particular area. Students joining a group implicity accept to develop a Bachelor Thesis in that particular area. The student will propose a particular topic to the tutor, who must authorize the project. The maximum number of students per group is determined by the Bachelor direction, accordingly with the University rules. If for one group the demand exceeds the supply, the assignment will be based on students' previous academic records.
- b) Specific modality: This is a specific subject work to be done by a student under the supervision of a PhD professor of the University.

All works will be delivered for evaluation through the corresponding plagiarism control tool.

The final grade is made up of 30% by the evaluation of the student's performance during the tutoring period, carried out by the tutor, and 70% by the evaluation of the memory presented, carried out by the teacher designated as evaluator. When the TFG is proposed for Honors, it must defend itself before a tribunal composed of two professors who will act collegially.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

The teaching-learning method will be tutorial. The tutor is the advisor who guides the students of the

best options to choose throughout the thesis preparing process.

According to University rules, each tutor must schedule a minimum of two orientation sessions, collective or individual.

The tutor will give general instructions to the students and mark the rhythmthat he considers appropriate: assignment of specific topics, methodological approaches, issues to be addressed in the tutorials, partial reviews and delivery of preliminary drafts, communication system with students, as well as additional indications on the structure and form of the work in accordance with the characteristics of each legal culture, etc.

The dedication of each tutor will be at least five hours per student, of which a minimum of three will be of individual dedication.

The tutoring period concludes at the end of the second semester school period.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

Each tutor must complete a motivated report rating the competencies demonstrated by the student during the preparation of the Bachelor Thesis. The tutor's grade will weigh 30% in the final grade for the course.

All works will also be evaluated by a teacher other than the tutor, who will assess the content, structure and formal invoice of the written work, and whose grade will weigh 70% in the final grade.

If, once evaluated, the TFG is proposed for Honors, it must be defended orally. A committee that will assess the clarity and brilliance of the oral presentation and the solidity of its conclusions, as well as the answers to the questions posed to the student by the Committe.

Plagiarism in the work will suppose the qualification of failure in the corresponding call, as well as the application of the sanctioning measures provided by the University.

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

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ADDITIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

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- Courtis, C. (ed.) Observar la ley. Ensayos sobre metodología de la investigación jurídica, Trotta, 2006
- Cuerda, A. Cum Laude. Guía para realizar una tesis doctoral en Derecho, Tecnos, Madrid
- Eco, U. Cómo se hace una tesis, Gedisa, 1994
- Latorre, V. Bases metodológicas de la investigación jurídica, Tirant lo Blanch, 2011

BASIC ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

- UC3M Library . How to do a Bachelor Thesis: http://uc3m.libguides.com/TFG/