

<b>Program</b> Undergraduate Academic Studies
<b>Course title</b> Introduction to Philosophy of Law
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<b>Course status</b> Mandatory
<b>Number of ECTS</b> 3
<b>Requirements</b> None
<b>Aims of the course</b> Introduction to basic problems of philosophy of law; developing a wider outlook on the phenomena of law and state; analyzing those phenomena not only as constituted by legal norms and force, but also as profoundly societal, political and moral entities; development of critical modes of thinking by reviewing and discussing the most important philosophical outlooks on law and state; studying the basic values of law.
<b>Course result</b> Students obtain basic philosophical knowledge about the law and the state, master the basic terminology and basic concepts of philosophy of law, develop a critical mode of thinking about the phenomena of state and of law.
<b>Course content</b> History of legal philosophy: a) Antiquity: The idea of justice of statutes and of courts – from mythos to logos; Sophists; Classical teachings – Plato and Aristotle; Epicurus and the Stoics; Cicero; b) Middle ages: Early Christian thought; Patristics – Augustine of Hippo; Scholasticism: Thomas Aquinas. c) New age: Beginnings in the Renaissance, reformation and counterreformation; Rational natural law; Constitutionalism and revolutionary natural law; German idealism; d) Modern age: Philosophy of positive law; Law, phenomenology and existentialism; Topics and the new rhetoric, Marxist criticism of law  Philosophical approach to law: Being and value; The concept of law; Value of law; Purpose of law; Validity of law; Form and matter of law in history; Law, morality and custom; Legal values (justice, fairness, legal certainty, purposefulness, equality, freedom, solidarity); Power, force and law; Religions, political ideologies, political parties, legal consciousness, legal culture and law; The issue of the best form of government; Law as a life form and alternative life forms; Aesthetics of Law, Logic of law and legal science; The language of law and legal discourse; Law and literature.  Philosophical approach to legal concepts: Legal systems and legal order (creation of law, supervision and punishment, legal change, legal transplants); Norms and legal norms; Will and decision; Subject-object relation in law; Person and legal person; Identity (individual, collective, institutional); Legal relation; Legality, constitutionality; Legal states; Legal processes; Sanctions; Grace, pardon and amnesty; Public and private law; Property; Contract; Marriage; Church, state and law; International law.
<b>Literature</b> Mandatory and additional literature in English, German, French, Italian or Spanish will be determined in accordance with the candidate's knowledge of foreign languages, and his country of origin.

<b>Number of lectures active classes</b>	<b>Theoretical classes</b> 30	<b>Practical classes</b> None	
<b>Instruction method</b> Lectures			
<b>Grading system (maximum number of points 100)</b>			
<b>Pre-exam obligations</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Final exam</b>	<b>Points</b>
Seminar work	20	Oral exam	60
Activities in lectures	20		