**Program: Master Academic Studies** 

**Course title: THEORY OF FEDERALISM** 

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Course status: optional – Public Law Module, Constitutional Law Sub-module

Number of ECTS: 10

**Requirements:** /

**Aims of the course:** The course aims to enable students to deepen their knowledge of constitutional law, in the field of the organization and functioning of a composed, federal state.

**Course result:** Students will acquire knowledge and skills enabling them to critically think about a wide range of questions pertaining to federalism.

Course content: The most important, institutional features of a federation: notion, nature and elements of a federation; reasons for the creation of federations; types of federations; organization of federal units; composition and functioning of federal institutions (parliament, executive, judiciary); distribution of powers between the federation and federal units; judicial review of constitutionality and legality; making and amending of a federal constitution. A particular attention is made to the evolution of federalism and the contemporary trends in federalism, in a comparative perspective.

## Literature:

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- 6. J. Стефановић, Ширење федерализма и његово упоредно слабљење по садржају, Сарајево 1954 [J. Stefanovic, Expansion of Federalism and the Weakening of its Content in the Comparative Perspective, Belgrade, 1954];
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- 8. J. Ђорђевић, *Основна питања федералне државе*, Београд, 1940; [J. Djordjevic, *Key Issues of a Federal State*, Belgrade, 1940];
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- 10. М. Станковић, Белгијски федерализам, Београд 2009 [M. Stankovic, Belgian Federalism, Belgrade, 2009];
- 11. М. Станковић, Уставно судство у савременим федерацијама, Београд 2012 [M. Stankovic, *Judical Review of Constitutionality in the Contemorary Federations*, Belgrade, 2012].

Number of lectures – active classes	Theoretical cl	asses: 15	Practical classes :	
Instruction method: Lectures, consultations;				
Grading system (maximum number of points 100)				
Pre-exam obligations	points	Final Exam		points
Activities during lectures	20			
Activities during practical classes		Oral exam		60
Tests				
Seminar classes	20			