

Program: Undergraduate Academic Studies		
Course title: COMPETITION LAW		
Teachers: Prof. Dr. Boris Begović, Prof. Dr. Vladimir Pavić, Prof. Dr. Dušan Popović		
Course status: mandatory for Business Law Stream of studies		
Number of ECTS: 3		
Requirements: /		
Aims of the course: Acquiring the knowledge concerning basic concepts of competition law, understanding the reasoning of legal protection of free competition, understanding the essential economic concepts which represent fundamentals for competition law, all aiming to enable a student to put many “technical” rules of this field of law into practice; Organising practical classes for students in which certain decisions of the Commission for Protection of Competition of the Republic of Serbia shall be analysed; Acquiring the knowledge on the most important characteristics of competition law of the European Union and of the United States; Encouraging students to critically reflect on positive law regulations.		
Course result: The students shall acquire knowledge and skills in interpreting competition law and capability for critical analysis of its rules. Upon successful completion of the course, the students shall obtain knowledge and skills required for working on competition law-related activities in companies, in the national competition authority, in courts, as well as in law offices.		
Course content: 1. Notion of competition and competition law (effects of competition on social welfare; perfect competition; barriers to entry); 2. Monopoly and monopoly behaviour (definition; causes; effects of monopoly on the social welfare; natural monopoly); 3. Cartels as the horizontal agreements (definition; essential mechanisms; essential prerequisites of a cartel; effects on the social welfare); 4. Other horizontal agreements (definition; essential mechanisms; effects); 5. Vertical agreements (definition; types; essential mechanisms; effects); 6. Dominant position and its abuse (notion of dominant position; defining the relevant market; abuse against consumers; abuse against competitors); 7. Merger control (types; effects; reasons for control; notification procedure; investigation procedure; decisions in the procedure); 8. State aid control (types; reasons for state aid control; control procedure in the EU and Serbia); 9. Procedure before the Commission for Protection of Competition (organisation and competence of the Commission; procedure for infringement of competition; merger control procedure; judicial control of the decisions issued by the Commission).		
Literature: Mandatory literature: 1. Boris Begović, Vladimir Pavić, <i>Uvod u pravo konkurencije (Introduction to Competition Law)</i> , University of Belgrade Faculty of Law, Belgrade, 2012 or 2014. Additional literature: 1. Boris Begović, Vladimir Pavić, <i>Šta je to konkurencija i kako se štiti? (What is competition and how to protect it?)</i> , Belgrade, CLDS, Belgrade, 2010; 2. Boris Begović et al., <i>Nova antimonopolska politika: predlog rešenja (New Competition Policy: A Solution Proposal)</i> , CLDS, Belgrade, 2003; 3. Ivo Van Bael, Jean-François Bellis, <i>Competition Law of the European Community</i> , Oxford University Press, 2007; 4. Michelle Cini, Lee McGowan, <i>Competition Policy in the European Union</i> , St.Martins Press, 1998; 5. Ljubodrag Pljakić, „Neka procesna pitanja Zakona o zaštiti konkurencije“ (“Certain procedural issues of the Law on Protection of Competition”), <i>Pravo i privreda</i> 7-9/2010, 300; 6. Mirko Vasiljević, Dušan Popović, “Competition Law Enforcement in Serbia: Six Years of Staggering Along”, <i>European Business Organization Law Review</i> vol. 13 n. 1/2012, 141.		
Number of lectures - active classes: 2 per week	Theoretical classes: 2	Practical classes:
Instruction method: Theoretical classes including lectures held by guest professors, practical classes, seminar classes (shall be considered), seminar papers, video presentations, visits to the Commission for Protection of Competition of the Republic of Serbia and to the leading law offices.		
Grading system (maximum number of points 100)		

Pre-exam obligations	points	Final Exam	points
Activities during lectures	10	Oral exam	70
Seminar classes	up to 35		
Activities during practical classes	up to 25		
Tests	10 in total		
Successfully defended seminar paper	10		
Other activities graded by the teacher	10 in total		