GAU, Faculty of Law

Course Title	English Legal Method I	
Course Code	LAW101	
Type of Course	Compulsory	
Level of Course	Bachelor's Degree	
National Credits	3	
ECTS Credits	6	
Theoretical (hour/week)	3	
Practical (hour/week)	-	
Year of Study	1	
Semester when the course unit is delivered	1	
Mode of Delivery	Face-to-face	
Language of Instruction	English	
Prerequisites and co-requisites	LAW102 English Legal Method II	

Objectives of the Course

- familiarise law students with the characteristics and the principle functioning of the English legal system.
- identify the distinctiveness of the common law approach
- ensure understanding of the central institutions and processes of the English Legal System
- introduce students to techniques of legal interpretation and terminology necessary throughout their legal studies

Learning Outcomes

The students who have succeeded in this course should be able to		Assessment
1	1 Understand and comparatively examine the main features of the two main systems of Civil (continental) and Common Law Legal Systems	
2	Explain the categorisations of law	1
3	Understand the various sources of law within the English legal system.	1
4	Know the hierarchy of the courts for civil and criminal cases, with associated procedures	1, 2

Assessment Methods: 1.Exam 2.Assignment 3.Project/Report 4.Presentation 5.Lab Work

Course's Contribution to Program

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1	To understand key areas of substantial and procedural national and international laws.	5
2	To develop capacity for legal research, with ability to access information and primary and secondary resources in various areas of law.	5
3	Acquire understanding of the principal features of the English Legal System (Common Law-institutions and procedures), laying foundations for entry to the profession.	5
4	Demonstrate ability to interpret extensive and complex legal authority in particular areas of law and have capacity for producing clear summary of legal issues.	2
5	Develop ability to identify legal issues arising from factual situations, analyse and interpret legal problems and apply relevant legal rules for the provision of practical and reasoned advise to particular problems.	1
6	Understand the interconnection between various area of law and the dynamics of legal study in its interconnection to social, political and economic contexts.	2
7	Demonstrate ability to provide legal and critical analysis.	2
8	To acquire skills of communication in both oral and written forms, making use of correct legal terminology.	4
9	To possess skills required for legal practice such as argument development, legal reasoning, drafting and pleading writing.	3
10	Acquire transferrable intellectual and professional skills (such as independence, time management and teamwork) to provide enhanced grounds for employability in the legal industry.	4

To understand and act in accordance with the standards, responsibilities, ethical requirements of the profession and norms of the established legal practices.		1
12	To be self-reflective while learning; recognise the need for, and have capacity to engage in life-	3
12	long learning in the context of new legal developments.	

CL (Contribution Level): 1. Very Low, 2. Low, 3. Moderate, 4. High, 5. Very High

Course Contents

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Week		Exams	
1	Introduction		
2	Classification of Law II		
3	Classification of Law II		
4	Sources of Law I		
5	Sources of Law II		
6	Civil Court Structure and Appeals		
7	Review		
8		Midterm	
9	Criminal Courts and Appeals I		
10	Tutorial		
11	Precedent I		
12	Precedent II		
13	Statutory Interpretation		
14	Review		
15		Final	

Recommended Sources

Textbook:

Elliot and Quinn (2017) 'English Legal System', Eighteenth Edition

Supplementary Material (s): https://www.parliament.uk/; https://www.judiciary.uk/

Assessment

Attendance	10%
Homeworks	20%
Midterm	30%
Final	50%
Total	100%

ECTS Allocated Based on the Student Workload

Activities	Number	Duration (hour)	Total Workload (hour)
Course duration in class	13	3	39
Assignments	2	6	12
Project/Presentation/Report Writing	-	-	-
Midterm Examination	1	2	2
Final Examination	1	2	2
Self Study	19	6	114
Total Workload			169
Total Workload/30 (h)			5.6
ECTS Credit of the Course			6