# GAU, Faculty of Law

Course Title	Legal Research and Writing II	
Course Code	LAW108	
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	2	
Mode of Delivery	Face-to-face	
Language of Instruction	English	
Prerequisites and co-requisites	LAW107 Legal Research and Writing I	

# **Objectives of the Course**

- teach students how to perform legal research, writing, and analysis.
- ensure that students know how to identify, use, and analyse primary and secondary legal authorities to solve legal problems and how to structure and draft legal memoranda and briefs.

# **Learning Outcomes**

The students who have succeeded in this course should be able to		Assessment
1	Ability to distinguish different types of legal rules; the sources, hierarchy, and precedential value of laws.	1
2	Proficiency in understanding and applying enacted law to the client's case.	1,2
3	The ability to conduct moderately complex research exercises and use research evidence.	1,2
4	Understand legal citation and be proficient in using it in legal documents.	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.	3
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.	3
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.	5
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.	5
6	Understand the interconnection between various area of law and the dynamics of legal study in its interconnection to social, political and economic contexts.	3
7	Demonstrate ability to provide legal and critical analysis.	5
8	To acquire skills of communication in both oral and written forms, making use of correct legal terminology.	5
9	To possess skills required for legal practice such as argument development, legal reasoning, drafting and pleading writing.	4
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

11	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.	
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CL (Contribution Level): 1. Very Low, 2. Low, 3. Moderate, 4. High, 5. Very High

#### **Course Contents**

Week		Exams
1	Introduction	
2	Academic Writing	
3	Statutes: Interpretation & Analysis	
4	Statutory Analysis	
5	CASES {READING, PUBLISHING, CITATION, TITLE AND BRIEFS} I	
6	CASES {READING, PUBLISHING, CITATION, TITLE AND BRIEFS} II	
7	Review	
8		Midterm
9	Law and the Courts	
10	Legal Reasoning I	
11	Legal Reasoning II	
12	Transmittal Letter, Client Opinion Letter, and Pleadings I	
13	Transmittal Letter, Client Opinion Letter, and Pleadings II	
14	Review	
15		Final

# **Recommended Sources**

# Textbook:

Bast and Hawkins, Foundations of Legal Research and Writing (2016).

Supplementary Material (s):
How to Understand and Master the Language of Law; McKay & Charlton (2005).

#### Assessment

Attendance	10%
Homeworks	20%
Midterm	25%
Final	45%
Total	100%

#### ECTS Allocated Based on the Student Workload

Activities	Number	Duration	Total Workload
		(hour)	(hour)
Course duration in class	13	3	39
Assignments	2	6	12
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