Course Description of International Law Courses

(min. 20 credit points)

Comparative Digital Copyright Law (5) Péter MEZEI

Aims

This course aims to discuss some hot topics of the copyright law in the digital age, and of the internet law from a comparative law aspect. In the frames of the course students will be able to get familiarized with the common law solutions of the covered topics in the United States, and various types of the Continental European legal regimes, with a special focus on the law of the European Union.

Subject


EU Competition Law (5) Csongor István NAGY

The course aims at providing the students with a broad overview of the economic, legal and public policy problems of contemporary competition law and policy and at equipping them with the basic conceptual tools that are necessary for analyzing competition matters. At the end of the course the participants will be capable of identifying the most important legal and economic issues in competition matters.

Subject

The course gives a comprehensive overview about EU and US competition/antitrust law and policy. It takes an economic and public policy approach, elucidating the key-concepts of competition law and policy. After a short overview about the basic notions, it covers the traditional fields of competition law and also gives an introduction into the EU liberalization of the network industries (electronic communications, electricity, natural gas, postal services, and railway).

The course covers the following topics: fundamental notions of competition law and policy, agreements restricting competition, abuse of dominant position/monopolization, merger control, enforcement of competition law, private enforcement, market liberalization (public services, universal service, significant market power, access to the infrastructure etc.).
Intellectual Property and Open Innovation (5) István MOLNÁR, molnar.istvan@darinno.hu

Aims

The objective of the course is to reflect to some practical problems of the IP management arising at different stakeholders, furthermore, to give insight to the possible solutions of said problems. Special attention is given to the phenomenon of Open Innovation, and the challenges of two different cultures: public research organizations, and industry.

Subject


Legal Profession in Different Legal Systems (5) Zsolt NAGY, nagyzs@juris.u-szeged.hu

The aim of this course is to familiarize students with the relationship between the study of law and the legal culture and society in various countries. Practice in the law depends first of all on the institutions, culture of a legal profession and legal system of a given culture. The form and manner of practice are determined by historical and cultural factors. Within the framework of the course the problem mentioned above will be taken under analysis through a comparison of the similarities and differences among the various countries.

Subject

The course examines the following topics: The aim and function of legal education; the history of legal profession in the United States, England, Europe and Hungary; the major legal systems and related questions of the legal profession; legal profession in various states today (USA, GB, Germany, Italy, Hungary); the impact of attitudes of legal profession on the functioning of law; the bisystemic or multisystemic law teaching and the practice of law; the multidisciplinary practice.

EU English GİZEM Gültekin VÁRKONYI, gizemgv@juris.u-szeged.hu (5)

Aims

The aim of this course is to make students familiar with terminological basics and expressions relevant to the functioning and operation of the European union and its institutions. Beyond this basic knowledge, the course also offers students with such additional information that is necessary to use English in the EU context (e.g. for research or for other work). The course also offers insight into the specificities of the EU as a working environment, through the lense of the English language.

Subject
Through this course, the students will become able to comprehend the specificities of English as used in the EU context and will familiarize themselves with the basic terminology pertinent to the operation of the EU and will learn how to use these expressions.

Basics of European Law (5) Szilvia Kertészsné VÁRADI, varadiszilvia@juris.u-szeged.hu

Aims

This course offers a general overview of the core principles of the European Union (EU) legal system. The course focuses both on institutional and substantive law issues and explores the functioning of the unique creature of the EU.

Subject

1. The structure of the European Union. 2. The historical background of EU. 3. The law of institutions. 4. The decision-making process and EU legal instruments. 5. The relationship between the EU legal order and national legal orders. 6. The court system of the European Union and the judicial protection (types of actions). 7. The rules governing the freedoms of the European Internal Market.

International Organizations (4) Anikó SZALAI, szalaianiko@juris.u-szeged.hu

Aims

The aim of the course is to provide the students with the knowledge of the most important international organizations, both at universal and regional levels.

Subject

The course starts with the theoretical introduction to the cooperation of states, the creation of international organizations, their characteristics and legal basis. An important segment of the course is the detailed study of the United Nations and the specialized agencies (e.g. IMF, WHO, UNESCO, etc.). The course also covers regional cooperation around the world (e.g. African Union, OAS, Arab League), with special emphasis on the European region (e.g. OSCE, Council of Europe). Organizations specializing in the economic (e.g. OECD, WTO), security-military (e.g. NATO) and other fields (e.g. IAEA) are included as well.

Copyright Law Policy – National and International (5) Péter MEZEI, mezei@juris.u-szeged.hu

Aims

Participants of the course will get familiarized with the leading international treaties of international private law and the basic concepts of international copyright law. The above treaties contain only the basic doctrines of intellectual protection. Therefore, significant differences are visible between several nations’ copyright statutes. The cases, articles, excerpts of statutes and reports that are used during the course witness these differences. Due to the comparative aspect of the lecture the students can significantly enlarge their knowledge on the international copyright law through the understanding of the international multilateral treaties and the differences of the several legal
regimes (besides the Common Law countries the course will introduce European, and some Oriental and African sources).

Subject

Topics of the lecture that students may have great interest in include the different aspect of copyright protection in the US and on the European continent (including the neighboring and moral rights protection); and basic doctrines of international private law.

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