

Master of Arts European Studies							Rules and Regulations 2019			
Module title		European Law: An Introduction								
Module 1 Compulsory module 952006010	Credit points	Weekly semester hours	Student workload (total)	Required classroom hours	Required self-study hours	Period	Frequency of course offering	Stage of study		
		10	4 SWS	300 h	60 h	240 h	2 semesters	Autumn semester	1st - 2nd semester	
Learning objective	The module introduces European law by answering crucial questions about the unique legal order of the European Union on the one hand and the European Convention on Human Rights on the other. Both are connected in several ways and refer to the legal systems of the Member States. This combination reveals a system of multi-level governance based on the rule of law. It requires legal instruments, institutions and individuals to put this system into effect. In order to reconstruct this complex system, Europeanisation and "EU-isation" are discovered and explored starting with its historical genesis. This includes a focus on policies and internal actions of the European Union as well as the institutions and legal instruments that were established and a consideration of economic and political contexts. The capacity of coping with past and current crises within Europe is a focal point throughout this module.									
Professional competence	Given the greatly differing backgrounds of students, the lecture provides access to European Law: Professional competency is based on the policies and legal instruments of the European Union, the EU's institutions and their procedures. By reading and analysing legal provisions, judgments and reports, students will enhance their media competency. This relates to the methodological competency to deal with continental legal terminology as well as European phraseology. The reconstruction of the European legal system includes the critical review of its praise and depreciation. Based on the lecture in the autumn semester, the seminar in spring semester is bipartite: Firstly, classical contributions are introduced that serve as a starting point for the theoretical and practical reflexion of Europeanisation and integration; points of reference are contextualisation, constitutionalisation and organisational settings. The second part focuses on specific policies and their implementation within the system of multi-level governance: This ranges from agenda-setting to legislation and enforcement to judicial proceedings on the European level and in the Member States. The non-linear and consistent way of development is taken into account as well as the different motivations of stakeholders on different levels. A variety of topics shows the complexity of European affairs and will be subject to in-depth critical analysis.									
Methodological competence	Students are able to analyse and use sources of law (treaties, regulations, judgments etc.). They are able to read and explain sources of legal knowledge (textbooks, reports etc.) and to argue within the system and the doctrine of European law. They can evaluate the legal framework governing specific cases and constellations.									
Interpersonal competence	The wide-ranging different background of students supports them in cooperation and mutual recognition in classroom discussions. Students are able to work individually as well as in groups.									
Teaching and learning formats	The module is taught combining classical lecture type elements with interactive elements such as classroom discussion and group work in seminar format.									
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Anna Katharina Mangold, LL.M. (Cambridge)									
Module prerequisites	None									
Module transferability	M.A. European Studies									
Sub-modules										
Nr.	Title	Teaching method	Weekly semester hours	Compulsory-/ compulsory elective	Examination type	Graded?	Planned group size	Student workload		
								Classroom hours	Class preparation and review	Exam preparation and review
1.	952006011 European Law and Politics	Lecture	2	Compulsory			42	30	60	
2.	952006012 European Constitutional Law	Seminar	2	Compulsory			42	30	60	
x	952006015 Module examination				Written exam	Yes				120
Notes on the module examination:	Written exam (180 minutes)									
Comments/ Other:										

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