

Master of Arts European Studies								Rules and Regulations 2019			
Module title		European Law: An Introduction									
Module 1 Compulsory module 952001010	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 semester	Every autumn semester	1st - 2nd semester			
Learning objective		<p>The module provides an introduction to 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 Members States. This combination reveals a system of multi-level governance based on the rule of law. Instruments, institutions and individuals are needed to put this system into effect. In order to reconstruct this system, Europeanisation and "EU-isation" will be discovered and explored by starting off at the students' living environments. This includes the focus on policies and internal actions of the European Union as well as the institutions and instruments that were established. Historical, economical and political contexts will be taken into consideration, and the capacity of coping with crisis within Europe.</p>									
Professional competence		<p>Given that the students' backgrounds differ to a great extent the lecture builds up the interface which provides access to European Law: Professional competency will be based on the policies and instruments of the European Union, the EU's institutions and their procedures. Media competency is enhanced by reading and analysing legal provisions, judgments and reports. This relates to the methodological competency to deal with Continental legal terminology as well as European phraseology. The reconstruction incorporates the review of premature praise and depreciation. Based on the lecture, the seminar is bipartite: Firstly, classical contributions are introduced that elevated the reflexion of Europeanisation and integration to a higher level; 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 Members States, however, sometimes not in a linear and consistent way but driven by different motivations and stakeholders on different levels. E.g. the agglomeration of cases regarding state liability, data retention and the applicability of fundamental rights prove the complexity of European affairs and will be subject to deepening analysis.</p>									
Methodological competence		Students will be able to analyse and use sources of law (treaties, regulations, judgments etc.). They will be able to read and explain sources of legal knowledge (textbooks, reports etc.) and to argue within the system and the dogmatics of European law.									
Interpersonal competence		The different backgrounds of the students will support them in cooperation and mutual recognition in the classroom discussions.									
Teaching and learning formats		The module will be taught combining classical lecture type elements with interactive elements such as classroom discussion, group work.									
Module coordinator		Professorship in European Law (N.N.)									
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.	952001011 European Law and Politics	Lecture	2	Compulsory			42	30	60		
2.	952001012 European Constitutional Law	Seminar	2	Compulsory			42	30	60		
x	952001015 Module examination				Written exam	Yes				120	
Notes on the module examination:		Written exam (180 minutes)									
Comments/ Other:											
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