

DEPARTMENT OF LAW
COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Details				
Code		Academic Year		Semester
HUK259		2		3
Title		T	A	L
Philosophy of Law and Sociology of Law		2	-	-
ECTS		4		
Language	German			
Level	Undergraduate	x	Graduate	Postgraduate
Department / Program	Law/Law			
Forms of Teaching and Learning	Formal Education			
Course Type	Compulsory	x	Elective	
Objectives	The presentation of the main currents with regards to the nature of law and ethical questions related to law.			
Content	Theories and thinkers of philosophy and sociology of law			
Prerequisites	None			
Coordinator	None			
Lecturer(s)	Prof. Dr. Matthias MAHLMANN, Associate Prof.Dr. Joachim Kretschmer			
Assistant(s)	Res. Assist. Başak Berkün			
Work Placement	None			
Recommended or Required Reading				
Books / Lecture Notes	Matthias Mahlmann, Rechtsphilosophie und Rechtssoziologie, 5. Edition, Nomos, 2019.			
Other Sources	None			
Additional Course Material				
Documents	None			
Assignments	None			
Exams	None			
Course Composition				
Mathematics und Basic Sciences				%
Engineering				%
Engineering Design				%
Social Sciences	100			%
Educational Sciences				%
Natural Sciences				%

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Health Sciences			%
Expert Knowledge			%
Assessment			
Activity	Count		Percentage (%)
Midterm Exam	1		40
Quiz			
Assignments			
Attendance			
Recitations			
Projects			
Final Exam	1		60
Total			100
ECTS Points and Work Load			
Activity	Count	Duration	Work Load (Hours)
Lectures	14	2	28
Self-Study	25	3	75
Assignments			
Presentation / Seminar Preparation			
Midterm Exam	1	1	1
Recitations			
Laboratory			
Projects			
Final Exam	1	2	2
Total Work Load			120
ECTS Points (Total Work Load / 30)			4
Learning Outcomes			
1	Understanding the nature of law		
2	Understanding the ethical questions with regards to law		
3			
4			
5			
Weekly Content			
1	The presentation of the course and introduction		
2	Main elements of sociology, sociological aspect of law		

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3	The effects of law on society
4	Law in action
5	Legal pluralism
6	Important theorists: Max Weber, Emile Durkheim, Karl Marx
7	Main elements of philosophy, philosophical aspect of law
8	Natural Law vs. Legal Positivism
9	Midterm Exam
10	Legal philosophy in ancient period
11	Legal philosophy in Enlightenment and afterwards
12	Theories of social contract
13	The concepts of equality, justice and liberty
14	Human dignity and human rights
15	Recap and conclusion

Contribution of Learning Outcomes to Program Objectives (1-5)

	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	P8	P9	P10
1	4	1	4	3	4	1	4	1	4	5
2	4	1	4	3	4	1	4	1	4	5
3										
4										
5										

Contribution Level 1: Low 2: Low-intermediate 3: Intermediate 4: High 5: Very High

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