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Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences Department of Political Science

1SK156 Mänskliga rättigheter i Europa, 15 högskolepoäng European Human Rights Law, 15 credits

Main field of study

Political Science

Subject Group

Political Science

Level of classification

First Level

Progression

G1N

Date of Ratification

Approved by Faculty of Social Sciences 2014-10-29 The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2019

Prerequisites

General entry requirements.

Objectives

The general objective of this course is to enable students to develop the ability to understand the norms of European Human Rights Law and be able to apply these norms professionally in private and public life.

After completing the course, students shall be able to:

- understand the historical and philosophical development of human rights in Europe
- gain an understanding of the importance of human rights
- develop and expand their theoretical knowledge of different European Human Rights Conventions
- become familiar with the practical implementation procedures and institutions such as the European Court of Human Rights
- analyse critically, scientifically and independently, the discriminatory and derogatory social, political, religious and cultural values and attitudes and to reformulate, interpret and translate these in accordance with the spirit and meanings of human rights legal principles.

Content

The main theme of this course concerns learning basic legal principles of European legislation, including the European Union (EU) and other European IGOs and NGOs, in relation to human rights.

Type of Instruction

Lectures, seminars, discussions and simulations and roleplay (Moot court).

Examination

The course is assessed with the grades A, B, C, D, E, Fx or F.

Examination takes place by means of written assignments comprising 5 credits, seminars comprising 5 credits, and a seminar paper comprising 5 credits. The written assignments and the paper are assessed by the grades A, B, C, D, E, Fx or F. Seminars are assessed by the grades Fail or Pass.

In order to receive a grade of E in the entire course, the student must pass all the examinations included. The grades received for the written assignments and the seminar paper are weighted to determine the grade of the entire course. These grades are equally weighted and summarized in accordance with mathematical principles.

Course Evaluation

A written course evaluation is carried out and compiled into a report, which is filed at the department. The results and any measures taken are presented to the course coordinator as well as to the new students at the following course date, or in some other way which the course coordinator considers appropriate.

Credit Overlap

The course cannot be included in a degree along with the following courses of which the content fully, or partly, corresponds to the content of this course: 1SK174

Other

Information about the grading criteria of the A-F scale is given in a special document. Students shall receive this information at the start of the course, at the latest.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Ovey, C., White, R. CA, European Convention on Human Rights, 2002 or latest edition, Oxford Unity Press, ISBN 019-8765800, 500 pages

Articles, international conventions and cases, 700 pages