Literature for RÄSN11, Law, Society and Corruption applies from autumn semester 2021

Literature established by the board of the Division of Sociology of Law on 2021-06-09 to apply from 2021-06-09

Lecture 1 - Introduction to global indicators of corruption, rule of law and governance and their implications for understanding law, development and social change

Compulsory Reading Materials


Davis, Kevin, Fisher, Angelina, Kingsbury, Benedict and Merry, Sally Engle (2012). Governance by Indicators: Global Power Through Classification and Rankings. Oxford University Press, pages 3-29, Chapter 1 (25 pages)


Malito, Debora Valentina, Umbach, Gaby, and Bhuta, Nehal (2018). eds. The Palgrave Handbook of Indicators in Global Governance. Cham: Springer International Publishing. (Introduction, Chapters 1, 3, 7, and 22) (78 pages)

Merry, Sally Engle, Davis, Kevin and Kingsbury, Benedict (2015). eds. The Quiet Power of Indicators: Measuring Governance, Corruption, and Rule of Law. New York: Cambridge University Press. (Introduction, Chapters 1, 2 and 10) (69 pages)

Optional Reading (one book/article should be selected)


World Justice Project’s Rule of Law Index. Latest report is available at: https://worldjusticeproject.org/our-work/wjp-rule-law-index/wjp-rule-law-index-2017%E2%80%932018

Lecture 2 - Multidisciplinary Approaches and Theoretical Perspectives to Corruption: Normative Approaches to Understanding Corruption (Economics, Political Science, Administrative Sciences and Law).

Compulsory reading


Rose-Ackerman, Susan (1999). Corruption and Government: Causes, Consequences, and Reform. Cambridge, New York: Cambridge University Press. (Chapters 1, 2) (78 pages)


Optional Reading (one book/article should be selected)


Lecture 3: Multidisciplinary Approaches and Theoretical Perspectives to Corruption: Legal Pluralistic Approaches to Understanding Corruption (Legal Anthropology, Socio-Legal Studies)

Compulsory reading


Optional Reading (one book/article should be selected)


Polese, Abel (2008). ‘If I receive it, it is a gift; if I demand it, then it is a bribe’: On the Local Meaning of Economic Transactions in Post-Soviet Ukraine. Anthropology in Action, 15 (3), 47–60

Lecture 4: Methodological and Ethical Issues in (Anti-) Corruption Studies

Compulsory reading


Optional Reading (one book/article should be selected)


Lecture 5: Doing Fieldwork on Corruption: Methodological and Ethical Challenges

Compulsory reading


Polese, Abel (2008). ‘If I Receive it, It is a Gift; If I demand It, Then It is a Bribe’: On the Local Meaning of Economic Transactions in Post-Soviet Ukraine. Anthropology in Action, 15 (3), 47–60 (15 pages)


Lecture 6: Socio-Legal Theories on Legal Compliance and Their Implications for Analysing Corruption

Compulsory Reading Materials


Schoultz, Isabel and Flyghed, Janne (2016). Doing business for a “higher loyalty”?
How Swedish transnational corporations neutralise allegations of crime. Crime, Law
and Social Change, 66(2), 183–198. (15 pages)

(Chapters 1, 3, 4, 5) (55 pages)

Optional Reading (one book/article should be selected)

and public officials in Africa. London: Zed Books

London and Ann Arbor, MI: Pluto Press


Anthropological Perspective. Farnham: Ashgate.

Lecture 7 – Anti-Corruption Strategies, Informality and Development

Compulsory reading

Daedalus, 147 (3), 169–183. (14 pages)

Approaches. Daedalus, 147 (3), 83–97. (14 pages)

Ledeneva, Alena (2009). From Russia with Blat: Can Informal Networks Help
pages)

Daedalus, 147 (3), 20–34. (14 pages)

pages)

Daedalus, 147 (3), 5–18. (13 pages)


Optional Reading (one book/article should be selected)

