



Faculty of Law

JAEN45, EU External Trade Law, 15 credits

EUs externa handelspolitik, 15 högskolepoäng

Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by Faculty of Law Board of education at undergraduate and postgraduate levels on 2015-10-29 and was last revised on 2016-10-05. The revised syllabus applies from 2016-10-05, autumn semester 2016.

General Information

The course EU External Trade Law is an elective course in the Master's Programme in European Business Law at the Faculty of Law.

The course is also opened to students in the Programme leading to a Swedish Law degree, and to international students participating in exchange programmes with the Faculty of Law.

The course is scheduled to require 10 weeks of full-time studies.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of studies

European Business Law

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

A1F, Second cycle, has second-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

The student must be able to demonstrate knowledge and comprehension of the topics related to interrelationship between EU and international law and the status of international agreements on trade and transport within the EU legal order.

Competence and skills

The students must be able to demonstrate oral and written competence to -

- assess and critically analyze the relevant EU legislation, international conventions and case law;
- present the results in oral during the seminars and in writing for the final written assignment.

Judgement and approach

Students shall be able to show comprehension of both development and the impact of legal discussions related to selected topics in EU External Trade Law. Also, the student is expected to show a level of proficiency, both orally and in writing, in restating, explaining and discussing the acquired information from different perspectives.

Course content

The course covers the EU's competence, status of international law within the EU; international transport conventions within the EU legal order; the status of Free Trade Agreements; WTO law, dispute settlement and investment arbitration.

Course design

Course delivery is provided in the form of lectures and three assessed seminars. Knowledge, comprehension and competences are attained by attendance at lectures, participation in seminars and individual study of prescribed course literature.

Assessment

The examination is divided into two components, namely, three assessed seminar presentations (30% of the grade) and a take home essay (70% of the grade). A student must pass each component separately to obtain a pass grade for the course. A student who fails to attend a seminar will be required to submit a short paper of 4-5 pages on the allocated topic showing an adequate level of proficiency.

Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with credit, Pass with distinction.

All grading criteria rest on the baseline set up for the grade B. Criteria for the grade BA are additional to those for the grade B. Criteria for the grade AB are additional to those for the grade BA. Each grade criterion consists of a qualitative and a quantitative dimension. To be awarded a specific grade, the grade criterion must be satisfied in its qualitative as well as its quantitative dimension.

Grading criteria are applied to all dimensions listed as "Learning outcomes" in this syllabus. By way of example, an AB would presuppose that the student's examination reflect her or his mastery with regard to knowledge and understanding, skills and abilities and values and attitudes as laid down in the syllabus as "learning outcomes".

Grading is done primarily using Qualitative and Quantitative criteria. The Quantitative criterion reflects how well read the student is whereas the Qualitative criterion reflects how well the student can use his/her knowledge to make a well structured critical and analytical argument and put it in a proper context.

B – Basic command

To obtain a B grade the student must be able to show an ability to reflect on the theoretical and practical applications of legal issues relating to the subject of EU External Trade Law.

BA – Advanced command

To obtain a BA grade the student must be able to show a high degree of competence in addressing theoretical and practical applications of legal issues relating to the subject of EU External Trade Law.

AB – Mastery

To obtain an AB grade the student must be able to show a very high degree of competence in addressing theoretical and practical applications of legal issues relating to the subject of EU External Trade Law.

Entry requirements

For Master students, prerequisites are a passed examination in course corresponding to the first year of the Master's Programme in European Business Law equivalent to 60 credits.

For students studying for the professional Degree Master of Laws, prerequisites for studying on the 7th or 8th semester stated in the Curriculum for the Law Study Programme.

For international exchange students, prerequisites are relevant undergraduate studies corresponding to three years at a university level.

Further information

The University views plagiarism as a very serious academic offence, and will take disciplinary actions against students for any kind of attempted malpractice in connection with examinations and assessments. The penalty that may be imposed for this, and other unfair practice in examinations or assessments, includes suspension from the University.

Subcourses in JAEN45, EU External Trade Law

Applies from H15

1501 EU External Trade Law, 15,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with credit, Pass with distinction