

Faculty of Law

# JGSA02, European Business Law - Doing Business in Europe, 5 credits

Europeisk affärsrätt - Göra affärer i Europa, 5 högskolepoäng First Cycle / Grundnivå

# Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by Faculty of Law Board of education at undergraduate and postgraduate levels on 2023-03-17 (U 2023/225). The syllabus comes into effect 2023-03-17 and is valid from the spring semester 2023.

#### General information

The course is given as a web-based independent course and includes five (5) credits. The duration of the course is three and a half (3.5) weeks of full-time studies.

The course is part of the Faculty of Law's range of continuing education programs for professionals and cannot be included in a law degree.

In order to fully comprehend the content of the course, the student should have an understanding of the basics of European Business Law. This understanding may have been acquired by the student through his professional role or by having completed the course "European Business Law - Understanding the fundamentals".

Language of instruction: English

Main field of study

Specialisation

G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

# Learning outcomes

The aim of the course is to provide knowledge in various specialization areas within European Business Law. The students will gain insights into strategic and financial considerations within company law, as well as Labour Law issues such as company restructuring, working conditions and crisis management. The students will also examine other legal areas during the course such as Tax Law, Environmental Law and Private International Law and how they relate to doing business in the European Union (EU).

## Knowledge and understanding

To pass the examination the student shall show:

- basic knowledge and understanding of how to set up agreements within the EU,
- basic knowledge and understanding about the main sources of law related to establishing and managing a company within the EU,
- basic knowledge and understanding about Labor, Environmental, Tax and International Privat Law issues within the framework of doing business in the EU.

## Competence and skills

To pass the examination the student shall:

- demonstrate an ability to master a wide range of diverse sources related to EU law.
- demonstrate an ability to identify and analyze legal cases,
- demonstrate the ability to draft an academic paper in the form of a written assignment,
- demonstrate the ability to independently plan and carry through assignments within given time frames.

## Judgement and approach

To pass the examination the student shall:

- demonstrate the ability to independently determine what is relevant when analyzing EU case law,
- perform independent research and take responsibility for the development of their own knowledge.

## Course content

The course is divided into six modules.

The first module examines general business considerations as well as specific legal areas that are relevant when establishing and managing a company. The second module addresses strategic and financial considerations within Company law. It discusses the foundations of company theory and the distinction between a company's internal and external relations, and public and private corporations.

The third module places Labour Law within a wider EU framework. It explores the important relationship between the internal market, the fundamental freedoms and national Labour Law regulations. The fourth module covers Tax and Environmental Law issues within the framework of doing business in the EU. It describes the EU law principles on the area of tax and the conditions that need to be fulfilled by national taxation measures to comply with EU law.

The fifth module discusses how Private International Law considerations affects the function of the internal market. It also addresses the legal basis of the EU's legislative competence regarding Private International Law. The sixth module aims to provide students with the necessary tools to read and understand case law, in particular EU

case law.

# Course design

The course objectives are met through active participation in the education, independent studies of the course material and carrying out mandatory elements of the course.

The course is designed as a web-based course, which means that all the teaching is done through pre-recorded online lectures. The lectures are paired with obligatory quizzes in the form of multiple-choice questions.

### Assessment

The student's performance will be assessed by participation during obligatory quizzes and the written assignment. The written assignment is worth five (5) credits and the final grade is based on the student's achieved result of the written assignment.

The examiner, in consultation with Disability Support Services, may deviate from the regular form of examination in order to provide a permanently disabled student with a form of examination equivalent to that of a student without a disability.

## Grades

Grading scale includes the grades: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction

All grading criteria rest on the baseline set up for the grade G (Pass). Criteria for the grade VG (Pass with distinction) are additional to those for the grade G.

#### **G** - Pass

- The student identifies basic legal issues in occurring situations and applies adequate legal rules correctly.
- The student motivates several presented positions in an acceptable way with reasoning and legally relevant arguments.

#### VG - Pass with distinction

- The student identifies advanced legal issues in occurring situations and applies adequate legal rules correctly.
- The student motivates presented positions well and reasons correctly with legally relevant arguments.

# Entry requirements

General requirements

#### Further information

Throughout the course period, each student should have access to an internet-connected personal computer with the ability to play audio and video.