

Introduction

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Where to Start

We suggest that you begin by reading this page, and then spend some time browsing the course using the navigation bar to your left. Check out the [overview page](#) to get an idea how all the pieces fit together. When you've made your self acquainted with the structure of the course, we recommend you to start looking at the introductory lectures. They will give you a good introduction to the course and the subject of European Business Law. Also, the introduction lectures cover the basics of EU legal sources.

The course at a glance

The European Union is one of the world's largest and most important economies. Those interested in doing business with the EU member states must know the rules and the practice of relevant laws. Therefore, we have designed a course that will give students the essentials of European Union Business Law.

This introductory course will provide students with the fundamental tools they need in order to be able to do business with the EU, whether they live in Europe or elsewhere. Students will gain an understanding of both the practical and theoretical aspects of European business law and how the EU's Internal Market operates in a global context. We will focus on topics central to business law and to economic analysis, such as free movement law, competition law, environmental law, trade law and state aids law. Students will also gain a general understanding of the European Union's legal system and explore the basic constitutional foundations of the European Union. Furthermore, students will learn how to find and use EU legal material.

Throughout this course, you will meet qualified researchers with experience from working with the courts and institutions of the European Union and in private practice. Several of them also

teach our Master's Programme in European Business Law.

Course Format

This course is divided in three periods which contain three modules each, one for each week, and the course finishes with a round-up week. Each module contains video lectures, reading material and is accompanied by ungraded quiz exercise related to the topic of the week. We also encourage students to participate actively in the forum.

Please note that we will publish each period separately.

The periods contain the following modules:

Period One

Module 1 Constitutional Foundations and Fundamental Principles

Module 2 The Economic Freedoms

Module 3 Intellectual Property Law

Period Two

Module 4 Competition Law

Module 5 State Aid Law and Public Procurement Law

Module 6 Tax Law and The Financial Market

Period Three

Module 7 Labour Law

Module 8 Procedural Law and Environmental law

Module 9 The External Dimension

Round-up

Module 10 Round-up week

The lectures serve as the main source of information. The course will refer to key texts of European business law, such as EU secondary legislation and treaties, and case law from the European Court of Justice. Students interested in more detailed and profound knowledge may wish to consult the reading material referred to and provided in the module for each specific subtopic .

Assignments and grading

There are two types of Statement of Accomplishment: a Normal SoA and a SoA with Distinction. Students aiming to take a Normal SoA have to complete three graded quiz assignments, one for each period. Students aiming to take an SoA with distinction are required to publish a case law report which will be peer graded, in addition to completing the three graded quiz assignments. For information about the grading, please click on the tab Grading Policy to your left. For detailed information about the requirements for a SoA with distinction, please see the Assignments tab.

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