

## COURSE SYLLABUS PRINCIPLES OF LAW (SC110, ECTS 4)

*The mission of ZSEM is to transfer values, knowledge, and skills that students need for long-term success in a globalized business world undergoing constant technological and market transformations*

### FACULTY

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### HOURS

<b>Lectures</b>	30 hrs (15 weeks * 2hrs)
<b>Total</b>	<b>30 hrs</b>

### WHY PRINCIPLES OF LAW AT ZSEM?

The course is aimed at first year students, to become acquainted with the basic terminology and legal concepts.

The course contains definitions of law and state, basic divisions of law and legal concepts. Students learn the constitutional and administrative division of power, the role of state institutions and the functioning of the state and the legal system. After covering these basic elements, students become acquainted systematically (but in general terms) with the distinction between social and legal rules, sources of law as well as the principles and the most important legal concepts. After that, certain basic areas of law are analysed in a general way: property law, law of obligations, procedural law, labour law and arbitration. The acquired knowledge is necessary for students, not only as part of their general education (the legal status of real estate, for instance), but also as a basis for the more advanced legal knowledge they will gain at the senior years (knowledge which may be important for future economists and managers). The link between law and economics is so strong nowadays that there exist entire study programmes abroad functioning as combinations of legal and economic courses.

## GENERAL AND SPECIFIC COURSE OBJECTIVES

The objective of this course is to teach students the importance of law for economists, as well as specific legal concepts within different areas of law. The course is an assembled unity of the subject. It starts with the public law (by way of analyzing the most important elements of constitutional and administrative law), and follows up on that with the basics of property law, law of obligations, labour law and the different ways of settling disputes between economic actors. The course will help our students connect their economic knowledge with their knowledge of law, as well as to get them to know the legal elements within the business practice.

The mentioned objectives are fulfilled by way of investigating the legal literature, which will help students do their other tasks which encompass case studies and practical examples. The value of team work is strongly emphasized, during that process. The achievement of the objectives is measured through AOL (Assessment of Learning), and students are introduced to the latter at the beginning of the semester,

	<u>General course objectives</u>	<u>Specific course objectives</u>
1.	Students will establish a clear set of values, focusing on the ethical approach to business and social responsibility.	Students will become accustomed to the basics of Croatian legal system and its instruments guaranteeing justice and ethical behaviour, from the Constitution (which is a basic rule regarding human rights protection, including entrepreneurs) to the instruments of legal protection in cases of violation of citizens' and entrepreneurial rights. Due to the course diversity, the students will be able to spot ethical dilemmas arising from the notions of property rights, bona fides fulfillment of contractual obligations, termination of employment, etc. This objective will be achieved by using all available teaching methods, especially case-studies.
2.	Students will acquire basic knowledge of the Principles of Law.	Students will become acquainted with the basic elements and terminology of Croatian public and private law systems. The curriculum is diverse, encompassing constitutional and political framework, judicial and extra-judicial instruments of protection of personal rights, ownership and contractual obligations. The level of internalisation of the course content will be determined on basis of active participation in class and discussions and oral and written examinations.

## LITERATURE

### Compulsory:

- Osnove prava – za ekonomiste, Mate and ZŠEM, Zagreb, 2012.
- Loomen presentations and lectures
- Literature provided by lecturers

### Additional:

- **ADAMS, ALIX**, *LAW FOR BUSINESS STUDENTS, 3RD ED., PEARSON EDUCATION LTD., HARLOW, 2003.*
- **Sokol, Smiljko i Smerdel, Branko**, Ustavno pravo, most recent publication.
- **Visković, Nikola**, Teorija prava i države, most recent publication.
- **Gavella, Nikola i dr.**, Stvarno pravo, most recent publication.
- **Crnić, Jadranko i dr.**, Vlasničkopravni odnosi i zemljišne knjige, most recent publication.

- **Triva, Siniša i Uzelac, Alan**, Hrvatsko arbitražno pravo, most recent publication.
- **Kačer, Hrvoje i dr.**, Zakon o obveznim odnosima s komentarom, most recent publication.
- **Gotovac, Viktor i dr.**, Radni i službenički odnosi, most recent publication