

		Teaching Guide			
	2024/25				
Subject (*)	Spain in the Historical and Legal Context of Europe Code		612G01002		
Study programme	Grao en Dereito				
		Descriptors			
Cycle	Cycle Period Year Type				
First and Second Cycle	1st four-month period	First	Basic training	6	
Language	SpanishEnglish				
Teaching method	Face-to-face				
Prerequisites					
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General description	This course is focused on an idea	a: Europe had a common lega	I past. In the Middle Ages,	the so-called "lus Commune" was	
	studied in all the universities and	it was used by the jurists from	around the old continent.	This common law transcended	
	national and legal boundaries. Fo	or this reason, the history of la	w in Europe has the same	vocabulary, that was created by	
	the "ius commune". This law cons	sisted of Roman, Canon a Feu	udal law. As the rest, Spair	n has been part of this European	
	reality. Our juridical past is detern	nined by Europe because Spa	ain has not been an island	on the continent. But also, the	
	different local institutions (a kingdom, a principality, a feudal lordship, a monastery) had their own law, with their				
	particularities, the so-called "ius proprium" (particular law). The principal aim of this course will be the knowledge of the				
	common legislation of Europe and the singularities of the "ius proprium". The addition of the "Ius Commune" to the "ius				
	proprium" will show the "system of	of lus Commune". Then, it's ve	ery important to understand	d that the big legal categories used	
	in Western Europe had the same origin, the "lus Commune". Nowadays, if we speak about "property", "obligation", "will",				
	we use the meaning created by "lus Commune": dominium, obligatio, testamentum.				

Study programme competences / results		
Code	Study programme competences / results	
A2	Knowledge of the role of law as a regulatory system of social relations	
A3	Grasping the systematic nature of the legal system	
A4	Appreciating the interdisciplinary nature of legal problems	
A6	Understanding the different manifestations of law in its historical evolution and in its current reality.	
A8	Basic knowledge of legal argumentation.	
A10	Ability to interpret and critically assess the legal system.	
A12	Management of legal oratory (ability to express themselves properly in public).	
A13	Mastering new technologies applied to law.	
B1	Knowledge in an area of study that is based on general secondary education, and is usually found at a level that, although supported by	
	advanced textbooks, includes also some aspects that involve knowledge from the forefront of his field of study.	
B3	Ability to gather and interpret relevant data (usually within their area of study) to make judgments that include a reflection on social,	
	scientific or ethical relevant issues.	
B6	Learning to learn.	
B8	Critical, logical, and creative thinking.	
B9	Working autonomously on own initiative with a lifelong learning approach.	
B10	Teamwork and collaboration.	
B11	Ethical and social responsibility.	
B12	Effective workplace communication and oral and written skills in Spanish, Galician and foreign languages.	
B13	Computing and ICT skills.	
C1	Adequate oral and written expression in the official languages.	
C2	Mastering oral and written expression in foreign languages.	
C3	Using ICT in working contexts and lifelong learning.	



C4	Exercising an open, educated, critical, committed, democratic and supportive citizenship for the sake of the common good.
C6	Critically assess the knowledge, technology and information available to solve the problems they face.

Learning outcomes			
Learning outcomes	Study p	Study programme	
	comp	etences /	
	re	sults	
	A2	B9 C1	
	A3	B1	
	A4	B3	
	A6		
	A8		
	A10		
	A12		
	A13	B6 C2	
		B8	
	E	310	
	E	311	
	E	312	
	E	313	
		C3	
		C4	
		C6	

Contents		
Торіс	Sub-topic	
?SPAIN IN THE HISTORICAL AND LEGAL CONTEXT OF	Political meaning of the period called Dominate	
EUROPE?		
	Justinian	
SPAIN AND THE POST-CLASSICAL ROMAN LAW	Features of the post-classical Roman Law	
THE FIRST MEDIEVAL AGE: PER PUGNAM SINE IUSTITIA:	The gradual disappearance of the professional jurist	
AN AGE WITHOUT JURISTS		
	Anthologies and Epitomes in the West: Doctrine and Legislation	
	The East: The great legislative compilation of Justinian	
SPAIN DURING THE 7th- 11th CENTURIES	Oral laws: Custom; the Carolingian Capitularies	
	The presence of the Church	
	Per pugnam sine iustitia	



A NEW AGE: 12th-15th CENTURIES	IUS COMMUNE IN EUROPE:
	From the feudal World to urban civilization
	The twelfth- century renaissance and the autonomy of the law.
	The formation of the Corpus Iuris Civilis and the writings of Irnerius: The rise of Civil Common Law.
	Gratian and the Decretum: The rise of Canon Common Law
	The great ?codifications? of the Church: The Liber Extra of Gregory IX, the Liber Sextus of Boniface VIII, the Clementinae of Clement V, and the formation of the Corpus Iuris Canonici.
	Civil Law and Canon Law: The utrumque ius
	IUS PROPRIUM IN EUROPE.
	Italy: Communal legislation.
	Europe outside Italy.
	The Iberian Peninsula: Fueros, Usatges, an Royal laws; The Siete Partidas.
	France: Pays de droit coutumier; local laws and royal law; the great Coutumiers.
	Germany: municipal laws; counts, dukes and princes; the emperor?s laws; the Sachsenspiegel.
	THE SYSTEM OF THE IUS COMMUNE.
	lus commune and lus proprium as positive law: Hierarchy in the sources.
	The lus commune without hierarchy.
	Major figures: Irnerius
	Gratian
	The new science of law
	The System of the lus commune and the Corpus luris Civilis: Dialectic
	The System of the lus commune and the Corpus luris Civilis: The lus proprium Cinus of Pistoia. Bartolus of Saxoferrato
	THE UNIVERSITY IN EUROPE AND THE IUS COMMUNE.



The School of Irnerius and the myth of Bologna.

Studying Jurisprudence in terra aliena

The growth of schools in European cities.

The organization of the academic world.

A Different organizational model: The University of Paris

Why were Universities so successful?

LEGAL SCIENCE

The orality of knowledge

The Lectura

The Glossae

The Punctatio librorum

The Repetitio

The Quaestio disputata



MODERN AGE	Legal humanism
	The ?Secunda Scholastica?
	Francisco de Vitoria and the School of Salamanca
	Hugo Grotius and the doctrine of Natural Law
	NATIONAL CODIFICATIONS
	The age of codifications
	Precedents: The experience of consolidations
	The theoretical roots of the codifications
	From the French Revolution to the Napoleonic Code Civil
	Napoleonic Codes and National Codes in Europe
	Germany: Historical School of Law
	Savigny`s thought
	The Pandectists

	Planning	g		
Methodologies / tests	Competencies /	Teaching hours	Student?s personal	Total hours
	Results	(in-person & virtual)	work hours	
Guest lecture / keynote speech	A2 A3 A4 A6 A10 B11	21	0	21
	C4			
Supervised projects	A12 A13 B6 B8 B10	6	6	12
	B12 B13 B1 B3 C1			
	C3			
Objective test	A3 A6 A10 B1 B3 C1	5	68	73
	C2			
Case study	A2 A3 A4 A6 A8 A10	6	18	24
	B9 B1 B3 C6			
Document analysis	A2 A3 A6 A10 B8 B3	10	0	10
Personalized attention		10	0	10

(\*)The information in the planning table is for guidance only and does not take into account the heterogeneity of the students.

	Methodologies		
Methodologies	Description		
Guest lecture /	Development of the main points of the Syllabus.		
keynote speech			
Supervised projects	projects Development of works with professor guidance, that complement the didactic activity of the lectures.		
	Indication of readings.		
	Selection and realization of works of bibliographic reference.		
	Development of determinate tasks of basic legal history research.		



Objective test	Verification of the conceptual knowledges obtained by the students.	
Case study	Analysis and study of legal history documents, that help to comprise the theoretical lectures.	
Document analysis	Projection of thematic films on concrete appearances of the program and debate on legal history aspects that reflect in the	
	projections.	

	Personalized attention		
Methodologies	Description		
Guest lecture /	Professor will attend any doubt in his office		
keynote speech			
Supervised projects	Students will do practice activities consist on presentations about readings and work previously fixed.		

		Assessment	
Methodologies	Competencies / Description		Qualification
	Results		
Guest lecture /	A2 A3 A4 A6 A10 B11	Valoraranse as acertadas intervencións dos alumnos nas sesións teóricas de	5
keynote speech	C4	exposición do profesor	
Supervised projects	A12 A13 B6 B8 B10	Avaliarase tanto o traballo realizado polo grupo no seu conxunto como	10
	B12 B13 B1 B3 C1	individualmente por cada alumno así como a súa exposición oral ante o resto de	
	C3	compañeiros	
Objective test	A3 A6 A10 B1 B3 C1	Avaliarase a correcta aprendizaxe dos contidos básicos da materia	70
	C2		
Case study	A2 A3 A4 A6 A8 A10	Avaliaranse os comentarios de texto realizados polos alumnos	10
	B9 B1 B3 C6		
Document analysis	A2 A3 A6 A10 B8 B3	Avaliaranse as intervencións e debates de e entre os alumnos e o profesor sobre a	5
		película proxectada	
Others			

Assessment comments

An exam will be required at the end of the semester

concerning all the contents. The value of this exam will be 50 % of the final

mark.

A continuous assessment will be followed throughout the

course. In addition to traditional means of assessment such as the exam,

students may be asked to:

- Make a presentation either individually or as a group project.

- Compose research papers or other extended written work, including

annotated bibliographies.

These

works will be valued with the other 50 % of the final mark.

In the assessment corresponding to the second opportunity, which takes place during the month of July, students must follow the same evaluation parameters as in the first opportunity. This second opportunity may be an oral exam.

Students who have officially recognized their part-time enrollment must pass the written exam like other students. About assignments, professors, analyzing each case, will facilitate their delivery by these students.

If any student plagiarizes an assignment, the author will not pass the continous assessment.

Sources of information



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	ESCUDERO, J.A. (2003) Curso de Historia do Dereito. Fontes e institucións político-administrativas Madrid. 3ª edición
	GACTO FERNÁNDEZ, E., ALEJANDRE GARCÍA, J.A., GARCÍA MARÍN, J.M., (1997) Manual básico de historia do
	Dereito (Temas e antoloxía de textos) Madrid GARCÍA-GALLO, A. (1984) Manual de Historia do Dereito español,
	Madrid TOMÁS y VALIENTE, F. (1987) Manual de Historia do Dereito español Recursos web: Campus Virtual:
	https://campusvirtual.udc.es/moodle/ . Con material complementario para o estudo da materia.
Complementary	 

Recommendations
Subjects that it is recommended to have taken before
Spain in the Historical and Legal Context of Europe/612G01002
Subjects that are recommended to be taken simultaneously
Roman Foundations of the Western Legal Tradition/612G01001
Jurisprudence/612G01006
Subjects that continue the syllabus
Other comments

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