



# UNIVERSIDAD DE CASTILLA - LA MANCHA

## GUÍA DOCENTE

### 1. General information

**Course:** EUROPEAN UNION LAW

**Type:** CORE COURSE

**Degree:** 334 - UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMME IN LAW

**Center:** 3 - FACULTY OF LAW OF ALBACETE

**Year:** 3

**Main language:** Spanish

**Use of additional languages:** Classes are entirely taught in Spanish. However, the teachers will attend to the students who require it in English, offering them bibliography and documentation in that language for the preparation of the subject.

**Web site:** www.uclm.es (campus virtual)

**Code:** 35318

**ECTS credits:** 6

**Academic year:** 2023-24

**Group(s):** 10 16

**Duration:** First semester

**Second language:**

**English Friendly:** Y

**Bilingual:** N

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### 2. Pre-Requisites

Not established. It is recommended to have passed the corresponding subjects in origin related to Constitutional Law, Public International Law and Administrative Law. Knowledge of basic concepts of this matters is presupposed

### 3. Justification in the curriculum, relation to other subjects and to the profession

European Union Law constitutes an autonomous legal order that is inserted in the legal systems of the Member States. For this reason, the applicable legal order in EU Member States includes a significant volume of European Union regulations that are applied directly in accordance with rules very similar to those that determine the effectiveness and conditions of application of strictly internal regulations. To this is added that another very important volume of them, despite not being directly applicable, oblige the national authorities to adapt its internal law to their content. As a result, the content of a very important part of the applicable law in EU Member States is determined, directly or indirectly, by the law of the European Union.

Although with an unequal impact, it can be said that no sector or branch of the Law applicable in the Member States, from Administrative Law to Civil Law, through Labor Law, Commercial Law, Financial Law and even the Criminal, escapes the uniforming, harmonizing or conditioning impact of European Union Law. Or, putting it in other terms, few sectors of our social life are not affected by decisions taken by the institutions and bodies of the European Union.

The knowledge of the general aspects related to the structure of the European Union, its institutions and its norms and mechanisms of application, is therefore essential not only for the applicants of a legal system of which the Law of the European Union is part, but also for those who need to know the functioning of the political and administrative structures that decide and manage public affairs that affect the lives of citizens.

"European Union Law", in this way, is a subject that aims to know the essential foundations of the functioning of the European Union, both from the institutional perspective and from the perspective of its legal system. Knowledge of this subject allows the acquisition of competencies, abilities and skills essential for any legal operator. In short, it is a key subject for any graduate in Law.

### 4. Degree competences achieved in this course

#### Course competences

Code	Description
E04	Ability to search, identify and use legal sources (legal, jurisprudential and doctrinal).
E05	Ability to read, interpret, analyse and write legal documents from an interdisciplinary perspective.
E06	Master the new technologies by applying them to law (databases of legislation and case law, bibliographies) and use the Internet to obtain information and communicate data.
E07	To critically analyze the legal system that allows the identification of the social values underlying the legal norms and principles.
E08	Work on dialogue, debate, argumentation and the proposal of reasonable solutions in different contexts.

### 5. Objectives or Learning Outcomes

#### Course learning outcomes

##### Description

To understand the process of formation and evolution of the process of the European construction, the nature, structure and areas of action within the European Union, as well as the different normative categories that make up the Community legal system.

To understand the structure and functioning of the jurisdictional system of the European Union and the structure of the legal system of contemporary international society.

To apply the European Union's system of protection of fundamental rights, including citizenship rights.

**Additional outcomes**

To Understand the keys to the relationship between European Union law and the national laws of the Member States

**6. Units / Contents****Unit 1: The European Construction Process: From the European Communities to the European Union****Unit 2: The Institutions of European Union (i)****Unit 3: The Institutions of European Union (ii)****Unit 4: European Union Legal Order****Unit 5: The relations system between EU Law and national legal orders****Unit 6: Judicial system of the European Union****Unit 7: Protection of fundamental right and european citizenship****ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, REMARKS**

A more detailed programme will be available in the Campus Virtual platform at the beginning of the course

**7. Activities, Units/Modules and Methodology**

Training Activity	Methodology	Related Competences (only degrees before RD 822/2021)	ECTS	Hours	As	Com	Description
Class Attendance (theory) [ON-SITE]	Lectures		1.12	28	Y	N	- Theoretical classes in which the most essential and relevant aspects of the syllabus will be addressed - For a better use of this type of class, the student is recommended to read the corresponding lesson beforehand. Power Point presentations will be used to facilitate the follow-up of the classes.
Class Attendance (practical) [ON-SITE]	Problem solving and exercises		0.6	15	Y	N	- Resolution of practical cases and / or comments on texts on issues related to the contents of the subject. The cases and texts will be made available to the students on line through moodle. The composition of the class groups for the resolution of practical cases will be announced once the course has started.
Study and Exam Preparation [OFF-SITE]	Self-study		2.4	60	Y	N	Study by the student of the diferente topics that make up the content of the subject and reading of the recommended materials
Practicum and practical activities report writing or preparation [OFF-SITE]	Case Studies	E04	1.8	45	Y	Y	Preparation by the student of scheduled practical cases and / or text comments
Final test [ON-SITE]	Assessment tests		0.08	2	Y	Y	The final exam may be, at the student's choice, oral or written, both in ordinary and extraordinary call. See section 8
<b>Total:</b>			<b>6</b>	<b>150</b>			
<b>Total credits of in-class work: 1.8</b>			<b>Total class time hours: 45</b>				
<b>Total credits of out of class work: 4.2</b>			<b>Total hours of out of class work: 105</b>				

As: Assessable training activity

Com: Training activity of compulsory overcoming (It will be essential to overcome both continuous and non-continuous assessment).

**8. Evaluation criteria and Grading System**

Evaluation System	Continuous assessment	Non-continuous evaluation*	Description
Assessment of active participation	30.00%	30.00%	Thirty percent of the mark will be the result of the assessment by the professor of the interventions by the student in the resolution of the practical cases and in the debates and questions that arise in the classroom throughout the course. All practical exercises must be sent to the professor within the established deadlines through the virtual campus platform. Students who do not attend class or who adopt a merely passive attitude in it, must take a practical exam consisting of the answer to four questions related to a factual case.
Final test	70.00%	70.00%	The exam may be, at the student's choice, oral or written, and it will take place on the date set in the center's evaluation calendar. - Oral exam.- Development of three questions related to the contents of the program to be chosen from among four proposed by the examiner. - Written exam.- Multiple choice exam of twenty questions with

			three answer options, one and only one of which will be true, with errors receiving a negative assessment equivalent to the value of two correct answers. Likewise, there will be a practical part that, with the same value as that of the theoretical part, will be substantially identical to the practical cases solved in the classroom throughout the course
<b>Total:</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	

According to art. 4 of the UCLM Student Evaluation Regulations, it must be provided to students who cannot regularly attend face-to-face training activities the passing of the subject, having the right (art. 12.2) to be globally graded, in 2 annual calls per subject, an ordinary and an extraordinary one (evaluating 100% of the competences).

#### Evaluation criteria for the final exam:

##### Continuous assessment:

Oral or written test, at the student's choice. The oral exam will consist of four development questions related to the subject matter, from which the student will choose three of them. The written exam will consist, for students who have successfully passed the assessment of class participation, a multiple choice exam. However, they will be able to raise the mark achieved by taking the practical test. For the rest of the students, the written exam will include, in addition to the multiple choice test, a development test consisting on the answer to four questions related to a practical case or a text comment.

##### Non-continuous evaluation:

For students who cannot regularly attend on site training activities and / or do not participate satisfactorily in practical training activities, the written exam will include, in addition to the multiple choice test, a development test consisting of the answer to four questions related to a practical case or a text comment

#### Specifications for the resit/retake exam:

Oral or written test, at the student's choice. The oral exam will consist of four development questions related to the subject matter, from which the student will choose three. The written exam will include a multiple choice test and a development test consisting of the answer to four questions related to a practical case or a text comment.

#### Specifications for the second resit / retake exam:

At the student's choice, an oral or written exam consisting, in both cases, of the development of three of the four questions related to the contents of the subject proposed by the examiner.

9. Assignments, course calendar and important dates	
<b>Not related to the syllabus/contents</b>	
<b>Hours</b>	<b>hours</b>
Final test [PRESENCIAL][Assessment tests]	15
<b>General comments about the planning:</b> For a more detailed plan of the course, please see the information contained in the teaching booklet, available in the subject's site on the Campus Virtual platform (Moodle)	
<b>Unit 1 (de 7): The European Construction Process: From the European Communities to the European Union</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Class Attendance (theory) [PRESENCIAL][Lectures]	8.4
Class Attendance (practical) [PRESENCIAL][Problem solving and exercises]	3
Study and Exam Preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Self-study]	18
Practicum and practical activities report writing or preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Case Studies]	9
Final test [PRESENCIAL][Assessment tests]	2
<b>Unit 2 (de 7): The Institutions of European Union (i)</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Class Attendance (theory) [PRESENCIAL][Lectures]	3.92
Study and Exam Preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Self-study]	8.4
<b>Unit 3 (de 7): The Institutions of European Union (ii)</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Class Attendance (theory) [PRESENCIAL][Lectures]	3.92
Class Attendance (practical) [PRESENCIAL][Problem solving and exercises]	1
Study and Exam Preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Self-study]	8.4
Practicum and practical activities report writing or preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Case Studies]	3
<b>Unit 4 (de 7): European Union Legal Order</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Class Attendance (theory) [PRESENCIAL][Lectures]	3.92
Study and Exam Preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Self-study]	8.4
<b>Unit 5 (de 7): The relations system between EU Law and national legal orders</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Class Attendance (theory) [PRESENCIAL][Lectures]	2.8
Class Attendance (practical) [PRESENCIAL][Problem solving and exercises]	2
Study and Exam Preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Self-study]	6
Practicum and practical activities report writing or preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Case Studies]	6
<b>Unit 6 (de 7): Judicial system of the European Union</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Class Attendance (theory) [PRESENCIAL][Lectures]	3.92
Class Attendance (practical) [PRESENCIAL][Problem solving and exercises]	3
Study and Exam Preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Self-study]	8.4
Practicum and practical activities report writing or preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Case Studies]	9
<b>Unit 7 (de 7): Protection of fundamental rights and European citizenship</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Class Attendance (theory) [PRESENCIAL][Lectures]	1.12
Class Attendance (practical) [PRESENCIAL][Problem solving and exercises]	1
Study and Exam Preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Self-study]	2.4

Practicum and practical activities report writing or preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Case Studies]	3
<b>Global activity</b>	
<b>Activities</b>	<b>hours</b>
Study and Exam Preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Self-study]	60
Practicum and practical activities report writing or preparation [AUTÓNOMA][Case Studies]	30
Final test [PRESENCIAL][Assessment tests]	17
Class Attendance (theory) [PRESENCIAL][Lectures]	28
Class Attendance (practical) [PRESENCIAL][Problem solving and exercises]	10
<b>Total horas: 145</b>	

10. Bibliography and Sources						
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