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OVERVIEW OF MODULE AREAS, CREDITS, AND EXAMINATION

Module Area A: Language

Module Courses	ECTS	SWS	Examination
English for Lawyers 3 Sprachenzentrum	2	2	Written Exam
English for Lawyers 4 Sprachenzentrum	2	2	Written Exam
English for Lawyers 5 Sprachenzentrum	2	2	Written Exam
English for Lawyers 6 Sprachenzentrum	4	4	Written Exam
Credits	4		

Module Area B: Comparative Law

Introduction to African Legal Systems	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Introduction to African Legal Systems (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Introduction to Public International Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Introduction to Public International Law (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Einfaches Seminar	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Einfaches Seminar: Environmental Law and Climate Justice* (S) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	6	2	Paper

Human Rights in Africa	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Human Rights in Africa (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Constitutional Law and Constitutionalism in Africa	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Constitutional Law and Constitutionalism in Africa (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Lectures on English Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Lectures on English Law (L) Chair of Civil Law VII Prof. Dr. Bernd Kannowski	3	1	Written or Oral Exam

Methods of the English Common Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Methods of the English Common Law (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Introduction to Comparative Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Comparative Law (L) Chair of Civil Law IX Prof. Dr. Martin Schmidt-Kessel	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

International Environmental and Sustainable Development Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
International Environmental and Sustainable Development Law (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Ways of Reading the US Constitution	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Ways of Reading the US Constitution (L) Chair of Public Law VII Prof. Dr. Heinrich Amadeus Wolff	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Guest Lecture	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Complementary Guest Lecture	Varies depending on offer		

Internship	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Internship Thematically appropriate to the respective module Area	5	Min. 4 Weeks	Internship Report

VHB-Courses	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Complementary VHB-Courses**	Varies depending on offer		

Module Area C: Economic & Business Law

Introduction to Public International Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Introduction to Public International Law (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Elements of Contract and Tort Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Elements of Contract and Tort Law (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

EU Capital Markets Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
EU Capital Markets Law (L) Chair of Civil Law IV Prof. Dr. Stefan Leible (Prof. Dr. Stephan Balthasar)	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

International Commercial Law I	ECTS	SWS	Examination
International Commercial Law (L) Chair of Civil Law IX Prof. Dr. Martin Schmidt-Kessel	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

International Commercial Law II	ECTS	SWS	Examination
International Dispute Resolution (L) Chair of Civil Law IV Prof. Dr. Stefan Leible (Prof. Dr. Stephan Balthasar)	5	2	Written Exam

Essays European Company Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Essays European Company Law (L) Chair of Civil Law I Prof. Dr. Jessica Schmidt	5	2	Essay

International Transport Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
International Transport Law (L) Chair of Civil Law III Prof. Dr. Robert Magnus	5	2	Written Exam + Presentation

Einfaches Seminar	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Einfaches Seminar: Essays in Consumer Law and Comparative Law* (S) Chair of Civil Law IX Prof. Dr. Martin Schmidt-Kessel	6	2	Paper

Methods of the English Common Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Methods of the English Common Law (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Introduction to Law and Food Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Introduction to Law and Food Law (L) + Tutorium Professorship for Food Law Prof. Dr. Kai Purnhagen	5 + 2	2 + 2	Written or Oral Exam

Food and Trade Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Food and Trade Law (L) + Tutorium Professorship for Food Law Prof. Dr. Kai Purnhagen	4 + 2	2 + 2	Written or Oral Exam

Data Protection Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Data Protection Law Professorship for Civil Law IX Dr. Yuliia Kostkinka	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Guest Lecture	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Complementary Guest Lectures	Varies depending on offer		

Internship	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Internship Thematically appropriate to the respective module Area	5	Min. 4 Weeks	Internship Report

VHB-Courses	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Complementary VHB-Courses** e.g.: European Trade and Investment Policy and External Trade Law, External Relations Law of the European Union	Varies depending on offer		

Module Area D: African Perspectives and Law

Introduction to African Legal Systems	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Introduction to African Legal Systems (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Human Rights in Africa	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Human Rights in Africa (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Constitutional Law and Constitutionalism in Africa	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Constitutional Law and Constitutionalism in Africa (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

International Environmental and Sustainable Development Law	ECTS	SWS	Examination
International Environmental and Sustainable Development Law (L) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	5	2	Written or Oral Exam

Einfaches Seminar	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Einfaches Seminar: African Law * (S) Chair of African Legal Studies Prof. Dr. Thoko Kaime	6	2	Essay

Development Policies	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Development Policies (Knowledge in Development Studies) (L) Chair of Epistemologies of the Global South Prof. Dr. Sabelo Ndlovu-Gatsheni	5	2	Essay

Development in Postcolonial Africa	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Development in Postcolonial Africa Chair of Epistemologies of the Global South Prof. Dr. Sabelo Ndlovu-Gatsheni	5	2	Paper

Actors in Development Politics	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Actors in Development Politics* (S) Chair of Sociology in Africa Prof. Dr. Jana Hönke	6	2	Paper

Development Policies	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Development Policies: Selected Issues (S) Chair of Sociology in Africa Prof. Dr. Jana Hönke	5	2	Paper

Social and Political Processes in Africa and Beyond	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Social and Political Processes in Africa and Beyond (S) Chair of Sociology in Africa Prof. Dr. Jana Hönke	5	2	Paper

Guest Lectures	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Complementary Guest Lectures	Varies depending on offer		

Internship	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Internship Thematically appropriate to the respective module Area	5	Min. 4 Weeks	Internship Report

VHB-Courses	ECTS	SWS	Examination
Complementary VHB-Courses**	Varies depending on offer		

* varying thematic focuses

Module Area A: Language

(Responsible for the Module Area: Sprachenzentrum)

Learning Objectives

Objective of this module area is the mediation of subject specific language skills. In the increasingly internationalized sciences, the acquaintance with technical terminology is a prerequisite. In the courses of this module area, the students will learn a repertoire of essential legal terminology that will ensure subject specific conversation and working opportunities outside of Germany and in the international arena.

Learning Content

All courses mediate subject specific English skills applied on legal issues.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module area may be completed throughout the entire course of the additional study program

Participation Requirements

Successful completion of:

- English for Lawyers 1
- English for Lawyers 2

Performance Report

Students must complete an examination according to the nature of the respective course. Usually this is in the shape of a written exam, the lecturer may determine the type of examination.

If a student fails to successfully complete the examination the repeat examination must be completed within the course of the additional study program. Examinations will be generated according § 8 of the examination and study regulations (PSO).

Calculation of Student Workload

The students have to complete 4-ECTS in the Module Area A: Language.

Credits

Die Studierenden müssen im Module Area A Language 4 ECTS-Punkte erbringen.

Frequency of Occurrence

The courses will be offered in every semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The Module Area A: Language must be successfully completed in combination with Module Area B/C/D.

Module Area B: Comparative Law

(Responsible for the Module Area: Professorship for African Legal Studies)

Learning Objectives

Objective of this module area is the mediation of fundamental questions, issues, and theoretical approaches in comparative law. Students will acquire skills to comprehend, critically assess and compare different legal systems in various geographic regions. Lectures and seminars will offer the students in-depth discussions on socio-political discourses beyond the German legal systems and introductions into alternative legal systems. This module area is a possibility to translate familiar issues into other geographies and social structures in order to widen the horizon.

Learning Content

The modules mediate (a) academic, theoretical, and subject historical foundations, as well as (b) important legal issues, scientific knowledge, and the basis of comparative law.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The Module Area consists of various types of courses, including lectures, tutorials, and seminars. Depending on the respective course, the form may vary. Additional information can be found in the module plan and on CampusOnline.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

Students must complete an examination according to the nature of the respective course. Usually this is in the shape of a written exam, the lecturer may determine the type of examination.

If a student fails to successfully complete the examination the repeat examination must be completed within the course of the additional study program. Examinations will be generated according § 8 of the examination and study regulations (PSO).

Calculation of Student Workload

Students are expected to spend 12-16 hours/week, additionally further weekly hours are anticipated for exam preparation and written assignments.

Credits

Students must complete 26-ECTS in the Module Area B: Comparative Law.

Frequency of Occurrence

The modules will be offered both in the winter- and summer semester, however the frequency of occurrence may vary. As some courses have flexible content-based orientation the students are encouraged to consult the respective study offer at the earliest convenience.

Linkage to Other Module Areas

The Module Area B: Comparative Law must be successfully completed in combination with Module Area A: Language.

Module Area C: Economic and Business Law

(Responsible for the Module Area: Professorship for African Legal Studies)

Learning Objectives

Ziel des Module Areas ist die Erschließung weiterführender Themenfelder im Bereich des Wirtschafts- und Ernährungsrechtes. In den Lehrveranstaltungen werden grundlegende Rechtsbegriffe und gesetzliche Strukturen des Wirtschafts-, Handels-, und Transportrechts in einen internationalen Kontext gesetzt und erlaubt somit den Studierenden eine tiefgehende Auseinandersetzung mit den Einflüssen der Globalisierung und Internationalisierung im weltweiten Wirtschaftsaustausch. Bei Abschluss des Module Areas sind die Studierenden in der Lage, wirtschaftsrechtliche Grundbegriffe, rechtliche Debatten, wesentliche Konzepte und Fragestellungen auf den internationalen Raum anwenden können.

Learning Content

Die Lehrveranstaltungen vermitteln (a) fachtheoretische, wissenschaftstheoretische und disziplingeschichtliche Grundlagen sowie (b) die wichtigsten Rechtsfragen, Wissensbestände und theoretische Grundlagen der Rechtsvergleichung.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

Der Module Area setzt sich zusammen aus Vorlesungen, Tutorien und Seminaren. Je nach Lehrveranstaltung kann die Form variieren, weitere Informationen finden die Studierenden in der Moduleübersicht.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

Students must complete an examination according to the nature of the respective course. Usually this is in the shape of a written exam, the lecturer may determine the type of examination.

If a student fails to successfully complete the examination the repeat examination must be completed within the course of the additional study program. Examinations will be generated according § 8 of the examination and study regulations (PSO).

Calculation of Student Workload

Students are expected to spend 12-16 hours/week, additionally further weekly hours are anticipated for exam preparation and written assignments.

Credits

Students must complete 26-ECTS in the Module Area C: Economic and Business Law

Frequency of Occurrence

The modules will be offered both in the winter- and summer semester, however the frequency of occurrence may vary. As some courses have flexible content-based orientation the students are encouraged to consult the respective study offer at the earliest convenience.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The Module Area C: Economic and Business Law must be successfully completed in combination with Module Area A: Language.

Module Area D: African Perspectives and Law

(Responsible for the Module Area: Professorship for African Legal Studies)

Learning Objectives

Ziel dieses einzigartigen Module Areas ist die interdisziplinäre Vermittlung rechtlicher Themenkomplexe in Bezug auf den afrikanischen Kontinent. Die rechtlichen Grundlagen vermittelt in den Lehrveranstaltungen werden ergänzt durch einen Einblick in sozio-politische und geschichtliche Hintergründe, welche die Entwicklung auf dem afrikanischen Kontinent prägen. Durch Verknüpfung soziologischer, juristischer und politischer Veranstaltungen eröffnet es den Studierenden sich differenzierter wichtigen sozialen Fragen zu nähern und der rechtlichen Perspektive, um einen kritischen sozialwissenschaftlichen Blick zu ergänzen.

Learning Content

Die Lehrveranstaltungen vermitteln (a) fachtheoretische, wissenschaftstheoretische und disziplingeschichtliche Grundlagen sowie (b) die wichtigsten Rechtsfragen, Wissensbestände und theoretische Grundlagen der Rechtsvergleichung.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

Der Module Area setzt sich zusammen aus Vorlesungen, Tutorien und Seminaren. Je nach Lehrveranstaltung kann die Form variieren, weitere Informationen finden die Studierenden in der Moduleübersicht.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

Students must complete an examination according to the nature of the respective course. Usually this is in the shape of a written exam, the lecturer may determine the type of examination.

If a student fails to successfully complete the examination the repeat examination must be completed within the course of the additional study program. Examinations will be generated according § 8 of the examination and study regulations (PSO).

Calculation of Student Workload

Students are expected to spend 12-16 hours/week, additionally further weekly hours are anticipated for exam preparation and written assignments.

Credits

Students must complete 26-ECTS in the Module Area D: African Perspectives and Law

Frequency of Occurrence

The modules will be offered both in the winter- and summer semester, however the frequency of occurrence may vary. As some courses have flexible content-based orientation the students are encouraged to consult the respective study offer at the earliest convenience.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The Module Area D: African Perspectives and Law must be successfully completed in combination with Module Area A: Language.

List of Modules

Actors in Development Policies

Learning Objectives

The course aims to enable students to develop critical thinking about the nature and process of development cooperation. The different faces of international relations will be considered in order to understand the changing face of development cooperation. By the end of the course, students will be able to interpret the various forms of international development cooperation, processes and practices.

Learning Content

The module is designed for students interested in international development cooperation in Africa and the relations between Africa and the rest of the world. The course looks at the main actors on the ground and behind the scenes and analyzes their patterns of interaction.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a seminar in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course is completed with a written paper (12-15 pages) and presentation.

Calculation of Student Workload

For the module 4 SWS are required, consisting of 2 SWS for the lecture and 2 SWS for the accompanying tutorial. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time for the preparation and follow-up of the module, as well as for the preparation of examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 6-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The course will be held in the winter semester.

Verknüpfung mit anderen Module Areaen

The module may be counted in Module Area D.

Constitutional Law and Constitutionalism in Africa

Learning Objectives

The course provides an overview of key constitutional moments and the role of citizens and legal institutions in the creation of constitutional law. It serves to introduce students to the exciting development of constitutional law and jurisprudence in selected African jurisdictions.

Learning Content

This comparative law course introduces students to the constitutional law of selected African countries. The module combines thematic discussions of a variety of constitutional systems, how constitutions come into being and how they are repealed, and the politics behind key constitutional moments. Themes that run like a thread through the course include: the interplay between constitutional law and politics, and between constitutional law and international law; tensions between constitutionalism and democracy.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral examination or written paper.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The course will be held in the summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area B and D.

Development in Postcolonial Africa

Learning Objectives

This module examines the development initiatives launched by African leaders since the attainment of political independence. The study will examine issues of ideology, concepts of development, and the linkage of development issues to nationalism, nation-building, state-building, politics of belonging, citizenship, social cohesion, and poverty alleviation in Africa.

Learning Content

Using case studies, the module explains specific development plans, explanations and charters, and practical steps to implement development. Why development has failed to occur in Africa is discussed in class.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of an advanced seminar in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course must be completed with a presentation and a seminar paper.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The course is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The course will be held in the winter- and summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area D.

Development Policies (Knowledge in Development Studies)

Learning Objectives

The seminar therefore examines the concept of development itself as shaped by a particular epistemology (knowledge), questions the normative foundations of development thinking, and critiques not only classical economic thinking but also economic science. Using empirical examples from Africa in particular and the global South in general, the seminar argues for disentanglement, ownership and self-improvement, unencumbered by global colonial power matrices.

Learning Content

Development as an idea, discourse, concept, ideology, and practice continues to be the subject of lively debate. This seminar engages in the debate from the perspective of the decolonial epistemic turn. It emphasizes the importance of how knowledge creates reality (how epistemology frames ontology). In this context, viewing development as epistemic creation leads to recognizing the central role of epistemic crisis in the impasse of development.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of an advanced seminar in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with a written term paper.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The course is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The course will be held in the winter semester

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area D

Development Policies: Selected Issues

Learning Objectives

Students will be able to analyze specific development policies, particularly their dynamics and the conditions for their success or failure. While specific topics will vary, all seminars in this module will cover the state and key features of the Sustainable Development Goals process, sharpening students' ability to understand and evaluate the global agenda that will shape development policies worldwide until at least 2030.

Learning Content

This seminar addresses selected development policy issues, i.e., specific areas of development action such as health or education policy, global trade negotiations, or the interface between security and development issues, to name a few options. The specific content of the seminar varies to provide students with a broad choice. However, the topic is always related to the global sustainable development agenda, and the least developed countries on African soil receive special attention.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a seminar in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft). Students are recommended to have prior knowledge in Sociology of Development or Development Policies.

Performance Report

The course will be completed with a written paper and presentation.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area D.

Einfaches Seminar: Economic and Business Law

Learning Objectives

The seminar is offered as a block seminar and is concluded with a seminar paper.

Learning Content

The selection of topics will vary each semester depending on the topic of the main seminar.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of an advanced seminar, in which students are required to actively participate and to submit the seminar paper and its presentation.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course can be completed with a written seminar paper and its presentation. The paper as well as the presentation must be submitted and presented in English for International Legal Studies.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 6-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter- and summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area C.

Einfaches Seminar: Comparative Law

Learning Objectives

The seminar is offered as a block seminar and is concluded with a seminar paper.

Learning Content

The selection of topics will vary each semester depending on the topic of the main seminar.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of an advanced seminar, in which students are required to actively participate and to submit the seminar paper and its presentation.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course can be completed with a written seminar paper and its presentation. The paper as well as the presentation must be submitted and presented in English for International Legal Studies.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 6-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter- and summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area C.

Elements of Contract and Tort Law

Learning Objectives

The aim of the module is to provide you with the opportunity to gain practical insight into the key elements of English contract and tort law. This objective will be achieved through the study of case law, legislation, contract provisions and academic literature referred to in the syllabus.

Learning Content

The module examines contract and tort in the context of common law with some comparisons to civil law systems. You will be introduced to the basic principles of the subject and have the opportunity to acquire a deeper knowledge and understanding of the legal rules governing contracts and torts.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course is completed with a written paper.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area B and C.

EU Capital Markets Law

Learning Objectives

Students are introduced to EU policy and legislation and to the case law of the European Court of Justice.

Learning Content

EU policy and legislation in the area of capital markets, covering both relevant EU legislation (e.g. Prospectus Regulation, Market Abuse Regulation, Transparency Directive) and the case law of the European Court of Justice.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft). The course can therefore be taken by all students interested in the legal framework of capital markets. It is therefore strongly recommended that students familiarize themselves with the basic concepts of EU law and the functioning of EU institutions.

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral or written examination.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area C.

Essays on European Company Law

Learning Objectives

Students will write an essay on a current topic in European company law, thereby acquiring in-depth knowledge of the essay topic and a broader understanding of European company law in general.

Learning Content

Content of the course in European Company Law.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the framework of a seminar with a written essay as an exam performance.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course will conclude with a written essay.

Calculation of Student Workload

The module requires 1 SWS.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area C.

Epistemologies of the Global South: Contributions to Reconfiguration of African Studies

Learning Objectives

The epistemologies of the Global South embody knowledge that has been silenced and repressed as a result of the unfolding of Euromodernism, empire, and colonialism. These resistant epistemologies of the Global South confront the problem of cognitive injustice, i.e., the practice of not recognizing the different ways through which different people make sense of the world and themselves. Therefore, the epistemologies of the Global South are directly linked to the struggles to restore the existence of those people who were subjected to colonialism/coloniality.

Learning Content

Throughout the seminar, the decolonial analytical category of intersectionality and the production of knowledge will be employed as an essential component of decolonization as it highlights how historically and socially produced ways of life and living are exacerbated by race, gender, class, sexuality, religion, disability, and other cultural and political identity vectors. As a decolonial critical practice, intersectionality creates space for marginalized groups to articulate new and old realities from their own standpoints.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of an advanced seminar in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with a written term paper.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The course will be held in the winter- and summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area D.

Food and Trade Law

Learning Objectives

By the end of the module, students should be familiar with relevant international instruments of the international trade area and be able to apply basic principles of the WTO framework. Furthermore, students should understand the complexities of international trade law.

Learning Content

This course provides an overview of world trade law, with an emphasis on food aspects. It introduces students to the treaty architecture of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and certain other regional trade arrangements. Topics include the historical, legal, regulatory, and political economy of the international trade framework; the relationship between international and domestic law and regulation, particularly with respect to state arbitration and compliance issues; standard setting; and the WTO dispute settlement system. Special attention is also given to the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade and the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture with additional compulsory tutorial, in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must have successfully completed the course: Introduction to Food Law + Tutorium

Performance Report

The course is completed with a written paper.

Calculation of Student Workload

For the module 4 SWS are required, consisting of 2 SWS for the lecture and 2 SWS for the accompanying tutorial. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time for the preparation and follow-up of the module, as well as for the preparation of examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 6 ECTS, of which 4-ECTS are attributed to the lecture and 2-ECTS to the tutorial.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter- and summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area C.

Human Rights in Africa

Learning Objectives

The objective of the module is to critically examine the structures and processes of African regional systems for the promotion and protection of human rights. Upon completion of this Course, students should be able to competently articulate the role of African institutions in the protection of human rights on the continent. In particular, students should be able to consider and respond appropriately to questions such as the appropriateness of the principles and procedures embodied in the documents for African communities.

Learning Content

The module provides an in-depth introduction to the African human rights system. It examines the legal and institutional framework that constitutes the regional protection of human rights within the African Union and highlights the contours of its monitoring system. Various topics related to implementation, children, refugees, women, LGBTI, and access to information are covered to complement this area of law.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral examination or written paper.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area B and D.

International Commercial Law I

Learning Objectives

Students will be familiarized with the special legal problems of international commercial disputes. In this context, the basics of conflict of laws are part of the lecture. In addition, students will gain in-depth knowledge of the Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG) as the most important set of rules for international trade.

Learning Content

History, objectives, functions of international trade law; introduction to major sets of international trade rules; case exercises.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral examination or a written examination.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area C.

International Commercial Law II

Learning Objectives

In the course, students will cover the legal framework for the resolution and arbitration of international commercial disputes, in particular the implications of the relevant EU regulations (Rome I Regulation, Rome II Regulation, Brussels I Regulation) and the New York Convention on International Commercial Arbitration.

Learning Content

The course includes practical case studies and also includes a moot arbitration hearing.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft). The course is open to all students interested in private international law.

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral examination or a written examination.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area C.

International Environmental and Sustainable Development Law

Learning Objectives

The aim of the module is to provide an understanding of international legal and institutional arrangements that focus on environmental management. Students should be familiar with both the theoretical and practical dimensions of the legal framework after completing the module.

Learning Content

The module highlights several key aspects of international environmental law. It provides an introduction to the principles of international environmental law (such as the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and the precautionary principle), issues related to the protection of the environment (hazardous activities, waste, air pollution), the conservation of the environment (species, biodiversity) and the use/exploitation of environmental resources (trade in animal parts, genetic resources, genetically modified organisms).

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral examination or written paper.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The course will be held in the winter semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area B and D.

Introduction to Comparative Law

Learning Objectives

Students are introduced to the different legal approaches of various international legal systems and acquire the methodological tools necessary to compare these legal systems.

Learning Content

History, aims, functions and methods of comparative law; introduction to the characteristics of different legal families; comparative analysis of selected areas of law.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral or written examination.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area B.

Introduction to Data Protection Law

Learning Objectives

This course introduces the basic legal concepts of data protection and explains how to apply the General Data Protection Regulation. It will help to understand the legal framework of the Data Protection Act.

Learning Content

The course consists of five parts: Introduction and Basic Structures; General Personal Law and Basic Data Protection; Personal Data and Processing; Justification of Processing; Protection in Public and Private Law.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The lecture will be held as a block course.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral or written examination.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area C.

International Transport Law

Learning Objectives

Students will become familiar with the various international conventions governing the carriage of goods as well as the various regulations governing freight forwarding and logistics services. The course will provide a basic understanding of mandatory uniform law, standard terms, and the various national jurisdictions on the subject. It will demonstrate how new technologies challenge the old legal system.

Learning Content

Uniform mandatory law; carriage of goods; transportation and shipping; charter parties; transportation documents; urban and sustainable transportation.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is delivered in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate. Students are encouraged to apply their knowledge in group work and discussion sessions.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral or written examination.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations. Students are required to participate in group work during the course.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in the Module Area C.

Introduction to African Legal Systems

Learning Objectives

This module will provide students with an overview of the essential features of various African legal systems, as well as current issues in African jurisdictions. The course serves as an introduction to legal pluralistic jurisprudence for students.

Learning Content

The module provides students with an introduction to various legal systems on the African continent. Substantive discussions of indigenous legal systems, colonial law, and international law will be conducted. Further, issues of legal conflict resolution, access to justice and human rights, good governance and regional integration are addressed. The role of Africa in the global legal order is repeatedly discussed.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral or written examination.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in the Module Areas B and D.

Introduction to Law and Food Law

Learning Objectives

At the end of the module, students should be able to distinguish between the branches of a legal system and the different levels of law (national, international, supranational) and analyze their interactions. Likewise, they should be able to describe the roles and functions of the EU institutions, as well as the basics of their historical development and competences.

Learning Content

The aim of the module is to provide students with a comprehensive introduction to law, focusing on EU law, international law and food law. The course is divided into four topics, starting with a basic introduction to law, followed by an introduction to European law and specifically food law. Next, basic information on international law is provided to prepare students for the following courses. Finally, the last topic area provides insights into legal research and legal writing.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture with additional compulsory tutorial, in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course is completed with a written paper.

Calculation of Student Workload

For the module 4 SWS are required, consisting of 2 SWS for the lecture and 2 SWS for the accompanying tutorial. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time for the preparation and follow-up of the module, as well as for the preparation of examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 6 ECTS, of which 4-ECTS are attributed to the lecture and 2-ECTS to the tutorial.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter- and summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area C.

Introduction to Public International Law

Learning Objectives

The goal of the course is to enable you to understand the role of legal norms in regulating the behavior of states and individuals in international society, as well as the relationship between domestic law and international law. This goal is achieved through the study of decided cases, legislation, treaty provisions, and scholarly literature referenced in the curriculum.

Learning Content

This course is an introduction to the general problems, sources, and techniques of public international law. Public international law is a system of legal norms designed primarily to regulate relations between sovereign states. For example, public international law defines the minimum standard of treatment that a sovereign state must provide to the nationals of another state within its territory and the responsibilities of one state to another for failure to meet the required standard of treatment. Increasingly, individuals are also a direct concern of international law.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course is completed with a written paper.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Areas B and C.

Lectures on English Law

Learning Objectives

Each summer semester, a guest lecturer from our partner university, the University of Birmingham School of Law, comes to Bayreuth to present interesting aspects of his or her field as a native speaker.

Learning Content

Learning Content relates to the subject areas of each current guest lecturer.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a one-week block session in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral or written examination.

Calculation of Student Workload

1 SWS is required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area B.

Methods of the English Common Law

Learning Objectives

The course provides an overview of the major methods and procedures of English common law. It serves to introduce students to common law techniques, including legal reasoning, interpretation, and the application of precedent.

Learning Content

Common law is the common law based on judicial decisions and recorded in reports of decided cases, which has been applied by the common law courts in England since the Middle Ages. It has evolved into the legal system that also applies today in the United Kingdom, the United States, and most member states of the Commonwealth. The course examines the major approaches in common law courts through the analysis of decided cases. Each topic is addressed through a key principle and relevant case law. Students examine the normative development of precedents related to the topic. As part of the class, they have the opportunity to work on sample cases to practice legal reasoning.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course is completed with a written paper.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Areas B and C.

Social and Political Processes in Africa and Beyond

Learning Objectives

The module aims to provide students with a critical overview of the interconnectedness of a wide variety of actors on the African continent and to convey the complexity of social and political processes.

Learning Content

The module consists of changing courses, therefore there are differences in the thematic orientation. In general, the course serves to analyze different political actors on the African continent.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a seminar in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course will be completed with a written paper and presentation.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the winter semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area D.

Ways of Reading the US Constitution

Learning Objectives

This module provides an introduction to the major topics in U.S. constitutional law, primarily through an in-depth look at the formative case law that informs the constitutional text.

Learning Content

These lectures provide an introduction to key topics in U.S. constitutional law, primarily through an in-depth look at the formative jurisprudence that has glossed the constitutional text (particularly in light of the outdated Articles of Confederation) to create the current constitutional framework governing (a) the legal relationships among the three branches of the federal government and (b) the constitutional division of power between the states and the federal government. The lectures also address the jurisprudential development of certain key constitutional concepts with respect to the protection of individual rights, such as the right to due process and equal protection of the laws.

Type of Knowledge Transfer

The module is held in the form of a lecture in which students are encouraged to actively participate.

Participation Requirements

Students must be enrolled at the University of Bayreuth in the study law (Studium Rechtswissenschaften) or the Bachelor of Law (LL.B./Recht und Wirtschaft).

Performance Report

The course may be completed with an oral or written examination.

Calculation of Student Workload

2 SWS are required for the module. In addition, students are expected to spend additional time preparing for and following up on the module, as well as preparing for examinations.

Credits

The module is credited with 5-ECTS.

Frequency of Occurrence

The module will be held in the summer semester.

Linkage to other Module Areas

The module may be counted in Module Area B.