Syllabus
Legal Studies

Frankfurt Summer School 2017
17 July – 11 August
Seminar Programme 1:  

Legal Studies  

„Law in a Globalized World - Fundamental, international and comparative aspects“

A. DESCRIPTION

The role of law in the 21st Century can and actually must be characterized as ambivalent. On the one hand, law competes increasingly with other paradigms, especially with the economic one; apart from that, the subordination of politics and power to the rule of law still remains a project rather than a reality in many parts of the world. On the other hand, the juridification of the German and other societies has increased immensely. More and more topics are becoming subject to legislation, and thus of national and international jurisdiction. In this situation an intense ascertainment of the new legal topics is required as a recall of the philosophical, historical and comparative fundamentals of Law.

B. COURSE OBJECTIVES

1. The summer school programme of the Law Faculty of the Goethe University aims at balancing these interdependent approaches to law and its subject areas using selected examples.

2. Developing a network between participants of the different regions and comparing the legal systems of different countries

3. By the end of the course, the participants’ knowledge of the basics of the German legal system should have increased considerably.
C. COURSE PROGRAMME

The Course will consist of the lectures that address specific legal issues in the mornings on two to four days of the week. Subsequently to these legal lectures there will be German language courses.

D. COURSE TOPICS

Week 1: July 17th – July 23th

Prof. Hofmann
“Human Rights Protection in Europe” and
“Refugee Protection in Europe”

Dr. Tohidipur
"European Border Control"

Week 2: July 24th – July 30th

Prof. Maultzsch
“Comparative Private Law”

Dr. Kleinlein
“Comparative International Law”

Prof. Bälz
“Dispute Resolution - Insights from the Japanese Experience”

Week 3: August 1st – August 7th

Prof. Siekmann
“International Monetary and Financial Law”

Jun. Prof. Goldman
“Law and Capitalism in a Globalized World“

Prof. Tröger
“Comparative Corporate Governance”

Jun. Prof. Gal
"Regulating the Financial Markets in a Globalised Economy"
Week 4: August 7th – August 11th

Prof. Prittwitz
“Role of Criminal Law in Modern Societies”

Prof. Burchard
“International Criminal Justice”

Prof. Jahn
“Current topics and fundamental issues in German White Collar Crime Law”

Exam

E. COURSE MATERIALS AND RECOMMENDED LITERATURE

The lecturers will use powerpoints and / or handouts. The powerpoints will be made available after each lecture. No additional material will be required; however the following literature aids to develop a basic understanding to the German legal system:


F. GRADING PLAN

1. Duration: Totally the legal course will consist of 45.5 hours

2. Attendance: At least 80% of the classes have to be attended in order to receive credits

3. Evaluation: The learning achievement will be verified by a test (multiple choice) at the end of the course. At least 80% of the test has to be achieved in order to pass.

4. Credit Points: Participants will receive 1.5 CPs per week (corresponding to the lectures and additional home learning)

H. CONTACT DETAILS

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