Study program: Law (240 ECTS)

Type and level of studies: basic academic studies of the first degree

Course title: Legal ethics

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Course status: elective ECTS Points: 7

Condition: Enrolled in the fifth semester, completed course and completed pre-requisites

Objective objective :.

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the importance of legal ethics, the basic attitudes of legal ethics in the world of legal science and legal practice, the history of the development of ethical legal thought, the application of legal ethics to the problems of today, the impact of legal ethics on the national legal system through a series of concrete legal and ethical problems; professional responsibility of lawyers, judges and prosecutors; a comparative analysis of standards related to legal ethics in Serbia and the European Union, Japan and the USA, etc.

Outcome:

After passing the exam, the student adopted theoretical knowledge in the field of legal ethics; understands the essence of legal ethics and its significance through practical examples of legal practice; mastered the general notions of legal ethics and principles of professional ethics of lawyers, professional accountability of lawyers, judges and prosecutors; acquired skills and trained in the application of basic norms of behavior in legal practice.

Contents of the course:

Theoretical classes:

- 1. Introduction to the case; 2. I am also subject to legal ethics; Basics of professional ethics and responsibility; 3. The theory of ethical-legal thought of the West; 4.Antical legal ethics; 5. Medieval legal ethics; 6.Kantova pravna ethics; 7.Utilitarian legal ethics; 8. Contractual ethics; 9. Natural laws; 10.Sources of legal ethics in Serbia; 11. Professional liability of lawyers; 12. Professional responsibility of judges;
- 13. Professional responsibility of prosecutors; 14. A comparative analysis of standards related to legal ethics in Serbia and the European Union, Japan and the USA; 15 Modern legal ethics.

Practical classes:

Closer clarification of some of the topics addressed in lectures, with a special emphasis on the interpretation of the basic norms of behavior in legal practice. Hypothetical problems and solving problems from this topic from practice. Case studies. Diskusija selected topics with the active participation of students. Preparation of colloquium and exams. Evaluation of realized teaching and analysis of its results.

Literature

Basic:

- 1. Fuler L.,: Morality of Law, Faculty of Law, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, 2001.
- 2. Джеймс E. Molitorly: Serbian standards with comparative overview, US Agency for International Development, National Center for State Courts, Belgrade, 2006.
- 3. Singer P.,: Introduction to Ethics, Publishing Bookstore Zorana Stojanović, Sremski Kraljevi, Novi Sad, 2004.

Additional:

- 1. Code of Professional Ethics of Lawyers, ("Official Gazette of RS", No. 27/2012
- 2. R. L. Deborah: Ethics in practice, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2000.

Active lectures				Other lectures
Lectures:	Exercises:	Other forms of teaching:	Study research:	
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Methods of teaching

Lectures are auditory, and they are performed at the amphitheater with all students. Exercises are carried out by groups of students in classrooms: (1) as auditors, where further topics are discussed and lectures are analyzed and the basic norms of behavior in legal practice are analyzed; (2) as demonstrative, for the presentation of standards related to legal ethics in Serbia and the European Union, Japan and the United States.; and (3) as, discussing the topic of selected topics from the material;

Knowledge assessment (maximum number of points 100)					
Pre-exam obligations	points	Final exam	points		
activity during lectures	20	written exam			
colloquium-first	15	oral exam	50		
colloquium-second	15	total	100		