Study program: Law (240 ECTS)

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

Course title: Writing legal acts

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Course status: elective ECTS Points: 8

Condition: Enrollment in the 8th semester, completed course and pre-service obligations

Objective

The objective of the course is to train a student for writing documents that are mainly used in legal acts; Acquiring knowledge to analyze and cite the sources needed to provide answers to legal issues, including legal practice, statutes, administrative law, and secondary sources.

Outcome:

After passing the exam, the student is able to write a legal document, for example, letter to the client, legal letters, requests, lawsuits, etc., capable of analyzing legal material, such as, for example, legal cases and legal provisions / statutes, the application of the legal provision to certain facts, keeps an informative conversation with the client, can take note and establish important facts, refer to legal provisions in the appropriate legal style.

Contents of the course:

Theoretical classes:

1. Introduction to the case; 2. Overview of basic principles in writing; 3.Business letters; 4. Legal allegations; 5. Reading, analyzing and using the subject; 6. Legal letters; 7.Contract with the client; 8. Explanations (written defense); 9./12. Preparation of legal documentation (responses to complaints, appeals complaints, basic contracts, wills, etc.); 13./15. Use of sources needed to provide answers to legal issues, including case law, legal regulations, administrative law, and secondary sources.

Practical classes: Closer clarification of some of the topics addressed in lectures. Creation of legal documentation. Analysis of key communication skills, presentation of independent and special projects. Discussion of selected topics with the active participation of students. Preparation of colloquium and exams. Evaluation of realized teaching and analysis of its results.

References:

Basic:

- 1.How To Write Better Law Essays: Tools and Techniques for Success in Exams and Assignments / Steve Foster, 2nd edition, ISBN 9781405873871
- 2. Writing for law / Dave Powell and Emma Teare, ISBN 9780230236448
- 3.Legal Method And Writing, Charles R. Calleros Aspen Publishers, 2006
- 4. Writing Law Dissertations: An Introduction and Guide to the Conduct of Legal Research / Michael Salter and Julie Mason, ISBN 9780582894358

Additional:

1.Clear and Effective Legal Writing. Aspen Law and Business, Veda Charrow, Myra K. Erhardt (Author), Aspen Publishers, 2007

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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 lectures are further elaborated and analyzed by characteristic cases from case-law; (2) practical work on the preparation of legal documentation, responses to complaints, appeals complaints, basic contracts, wills, etc.; and (3) as, discussing the topic of selected topics from the material that was transmitted.

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