

Course description

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Course name:	Central European Const. Systems 2		
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Department/Unit /	KÚP / ASÚS2			Academic Year	2023/2024
Title	Central European Const. Systems 2			Type of completion	Exam
Long Title	Central European Constitutional Systems - Comparison 2				
Accredited/Credits	Yes, 5 Cred.			Type of completion	Combined
Number of hours	Seminar 2 [Hours/Week]				
Occ/max	Status A	Status B	Status C	Course credit prior to	YES
Summer semester	0 / -	0 / 150	0 / -	Counted into average	YES
Winter semester	0 / -	0 / -	0 / -	Min. (B+C) students	1
Timetable	Yes			Repeated registration	NO
Language of instruction	English			Semester taught	Summer semester
Optional course	Yes			Internship duration	0
Evaluation scale	1 2 3 4			Ev. sc. – cred.	S N
No. of hours of on-premise					
Auto acc. of credit	Yes in the case of a previous evaluation 4 nebo nic.				
Periodicity	K				
Substituted course	None				
Preclusive courses	KÚP/ASS2				
Prerequisite courses	N/A				
Informally recommended courses	N/A				
Courses depending on this Course	N/A				

Course objectives:

The aim of the course is to present, introduce and examine methodological approaches to the study of the matter of constitutional law and models of constitutional systems. The students will be introduced to the various general institutes of comparative constitutional law, as well as to exemplary concrete constitutional models in selected countries in both de iure and de facto dimensions.

The course is taught interactively and requires active participation of students both in seminars and in the preparation of presentations, both individually and in groups.

The course is taught in English.

Requirements on student

active participation in class work

combined exam

Content

1. Classification of constitutional systems - parliamentary, presidential, directorium, neo-presidential
2. Responsibility of the highest authorities of states and possible ways of its solution.
3. Federation in comparative approach of constitutional systems and their models
4. Constitutional aspects of decolonization and the emergence of new states.
5. Constitutional system of USA
6. Constitutional system of UK
7. Constitutional system of France
8. Constitutional system of Switzerland
9. Constitutional system of Israel
10. Constitutional system of Bosna and Herzegovina
11. Constitutional system of South Africa
12. Constitutional system of Canada

13. The constitutional system of Brazil
 14. Judicial review of constitutionality in the USA, incomplete judicial review

The course is taught in English language.

Fields of study

Guarantors and lecturers

- **Guarantors:** JUDr. Tomáš Pezl, Ph.D. (100%)
- **Seminar lecturer:** JUDr. Tomáš Pezl, Ph.D. (60%)

Literature

- **Basic:** Klíma, Karel. *Constitutional law of the Czech Republic*. Plzeň : Aleš Čeněk, 2008. ISBN 978-80-7380-089-5.
- **Basic:** Heringa, A. W.; Kiiver, Ph. *Constitutions compared : an introduction to comparative constitutional law*. 2012. ISBN 978-1-78068-078-1.
- **Recommended:** Hirschl, Ran. *Comparative matters : the renaissance of comparative constitutional law*. New York : Oxford University Press, 2014. ISBN 978-0-19-871451-4.
- **Recommended:** Visser, Maartje de. *Constitutional review in Europe : a comparative analysis*. 2014. ISBN 978-1-84946-971-5.
- **Recommended:** Rosenfeld, Michel.; Sajó, András. *The Oxford handbook of comparative constitutional law*. Oxford : Oxford University Press, 2013. ISBN 978-0-19-968928-6.

Time requirements

All forms of study

Activities	Time requirements for activity [h]
Contact hours	26
Individual project (40)	40
Presentation preparation (report in a foreign language) (10-15)	15
Preparation for an examination (30-60)	48
Total:	129

assessment methods

Knowledge - knowledge achieved by taking this course are verified by the following means:

Combined exam

Skills - skills achieved by taking this course are verified by the following means:

Group presentation at a seminar

Competences - competence achieved by taking this course are verified by the following means:

Continuous assessment

prerequisite

Knowledge - students are expected to possess the following knowledge before the course commences to finish it successfully:

English communication skills.

Skills - students are expected to possess the following skills before the course commences to finish it successfully:

English communication skills

Competences - students are expected to possess the following competences before the course commences to finish it successfully:

N/A

teaching methods

Knowledge - the following training methods are used to achieve the required knowledge:

Seminar classes

Skills - the following training methods are used to achieve the required skills:

Seminar

Students' portfolio

Competences - the following training methods are used to achieve the required competences:

Lecture

learning outcomes

Knowledge - knowledge resulting from the course:

to qualify role of constitution in democracies
to define types and forms of constitutions, elementary constitutional principles in comparative perspective
to differentiate forms of government in democracies
to become acquainted with principles of vertical separation of powers, types of federations and unitary state
to define relations between the supreme state bodies in democracies, the internal organization of Parliaments and legislative procedures
to analyze constitutional and political system of political parties in plural democracies, electorate system and organization of elections in democracies

Skills - skills resulting from the course:

to qualify role of basic and human rights, of the constitution and position of human being and citizen in the state
to define general judiciary, administrative and constitutional justice, their types and competences
to become acquainted with relations between constitution and international law in democracies and constitutional aspect of supranational integration processes
to analyze constitutional and political systems of selected states

Competences - competences resulting from the course:

N/A

Course is included in study programmes:

Study Programme	Type of	Form of	Branch	Stage	St. plan v.	Year	Block	Status	R.year	R.
Law and Legal Science	Undergraduate Master	Full-time	Law	1	19	2023	Elective subjects - foreign languages	B	2	LS
Law and Legal Science	Undergraduate Master	Full-time	Law	1	16	2023	Elective subjects - foreign languages	B	2	LS
Law and Legal Science	Undergraduate Master	Full-time	Law	1	14	2023	Elective subjects - foreign languages	B	2	LS
Law and Legal Science	Undergraduate Master	Full-time	Law	1	15	2023	Elective subjects - foreign languages	B	2	LS
Law and Legal Science	Undergraduate Master	Full-time	Law	1	18	2023	Elective subjects - foreign languages	B	2	LS
Law and Legal Science	Undergraduate Master	Full-time	Law	1	11	2023	Electives	B		LS
Law and Legal Science	Undergraduate Master	Full-time	Law	1	10	2023	Electives	B		LS

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Law and Legal Science	Undergraduate Master	Full-time	Law	1	17	2023	Elective subjects - foreign languages	B	2	LS
Law and Legal Science	Undergraduate Master	Full-time	Law	1	13	2023	Elective subjects - foreign languages	B		LS
Public Administration	Postgraduate Master	Full-time	Public Administration	1	19	2023	Elective subjects	B	1	LS