UCLouvain

## Isrel2230

2017

## Religions, law and societies in Europe

Teacher(s)	Christians Louis-Léon ;				
Language :	French				
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve				
Main themes	The legal status of religious diversity in Europe. The relationship between religious laws and state laws. The variety and comparison between State regulation of Religions in Europe. Ways to prevent and resolve religious conflicts, both in terms of private ethical questions and of public policy. An interdisciplinary approach through law, political philosophy, theology and sociology of european religious diversity.				
Aims	At the end, the student shall be able to put into perspective the evolution of the modes of State regulation of religions in modern societies.  1 The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled 'Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit'.  The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".				
Evaluation methods	Work: Some short papers will be required on specific focuses along the semester. They will be included in the final evaluation.  Examination: An oral examination of reflection, prepared by a list of questions communicated before the session. The final note takes into account the participation of the student during the course, and the note obtained for the short papers. The evaluation takes into account the discipline of origin of the student.				
Content	2016-2017  The course consists of two parts: the first sets out the main conceptual evolutions in European Law addressing religious issues and disputes, belief, conscience, both personal or collective. The second part goes into detail on chosen issues by the students themselves. One or two foreign guests also are invited about some topical issue. Part 1 - major paradigms of the current European models and evolution: Church-State relations - human rights - minority rights - 'participative democracy' - right to confidentiality of convictions - 'non-discrimination' -freedom of worship - freedom of expression -conscientious objections ' 'civil disobedience - 'politics and religion' - recognition - identity - Macro European legal systems: European Union and Council of Europe - Comparative law between State models: Belgium, France, Italy  Part 2 - Questions to be chosen by the students - Each topic is adressed through a legal comparative approach in Europe, with the participation of students - Religion and law:  religious neutrality of the state - funding of religions in Europe ' Conscientous Objection and reasonable accommodation - religion at work - Autonomy of religion and human rights (privacy, due process) - Religion and School - Religion and health care - Religion and Prison ' Harmful cults - religion and family (marriage, divorce, child rearing, circumcision) - Ritual Slaughter - religious Courts and Arbitration ' etc.				
Bibliography	Cfr le cours sur moodle  ROBBERS, G. (ed.), Etats et Eglises dans l'Union européenne, 2e Edition, Baden Baden, Nomos, 2009 : texte integra en accès libre online : http://www.uni-trier.de/index.php?id=25059&L=1#c49875  DOE, N., Law and Religion in Europe. A comparative Introduction, Oxford University  Press, Oxford, 2011  MASSIGNON, B., RIVA, V., L'Europe, avec ou sans Dieu ?, Paris, Editions de l'Atelier, 2010, 288 pp.				
Faculty or entity in charge	CISR				

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)					
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims	
Master [120] in Sciences of Religions	SREL2M	4		٩	
Master [120] in Anthropology	ANTR2M	4		Q	
	SREL9CE	4		<b>Q</b>	
	LODRT100I	4		٩	
Additionnal module in law	LDRT100P	4		٩	