

Faculty of Law



DESO2361 Seminar on commercial law

[30h] 9 credits

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Language: French
Level: Second cycle

Aims

The aim of this seminar is to help students undertake an in-depth study of specific topics in the branch of law covered by each seminar, the theoretical basics of which have been taught in previous years. The seminar programme is different every year. Its scope is sufficiently wide to allow a subdivision into about fifteen subjects closely linked by a common theme.

Main themes

The method used requires students to complete two assignments. First, an oral presentation, to be given during the year, of the results of their research on an assigned topic; second, a written paper in which students can systematise and synthesise the problems involved in their topic and make use of the results of the discussions and debates following their own presentation, as well as those of the other seminar participants. The seminars start at the beginning of the academic year. The first oral presentations do not take place until the second term. During the first term, each student works on the various themes to be analysed. At regular intervals, however, each participant must report on the progress of his or her research and raise any questions or difficulties encountered. This particular task is carried out in teams to ensure co-ordination of the various assignments. During the first term, some seminar sessions are devoted to lectures on a subject closely related to the theme of the seminar. The specialist lecturer may be a member of the Faculty, or a guest speaker from outside the establishment. The performance of seminar students is assessed according to their work throughout the year, their active participation in assignments and discussion groups, the quality of the oral presentation and the written paper submitted at the end of the year.

Content and teaching methods

Theme: European companies (2004 -2006).

The seminar is devoted to the study of the regulations and directives on European companies, regulations for European co-operative companies and the draft regulations on private European companies. These texts can be studied from various angles: company law, financial law, fiscal law, social law, etc. Also, but not exclusively, the study of European companies includes texts on the transposition of European legislation into the law of the Member States and notably into Belgian law.

Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Since the Faculty organises around fifteen seminars, each of which has restrictions regarding the number of students, lecturers are invited to suggest three topics during the year preceding the seminar. These topics are conveyed to fourth-year students, enabling demand for the most popular topics to be met.

Other credits in programs

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