

## Faculty of Law



### DPRI2354 In-depth study of the law of obligations and the law of contracts

[30h+30h exercises]

This three-yearly course is taught in 2007-2008, 2010-2011,...

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**Language:** French  
**Level:** Second cycle

#### Aims

This course has two main objectives :

- to teach students to understand the principles governing the most important common contracts and instil in them the basic ability to solve simple cases in the field of contracts;
- to show that contract law is directly based on the law of obligations and follows on naturally from it, by thoroughly studying, in the particular context of contract law, some topics that usually come under obligation law.

#### Content and teaching methods

Ex cathedra lecturing focusing on the following contracts :

- sales contract;
- rental contract (including residential house leases)
- ;- estimates and works;
- agency;
- deposit and sequestration
- ;- compromise.

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

Ten practical sessions (seminars), each lasting three hours, are organised on the following themes :

1. Medical liability.
2. Liability for car accidents.
3. Payment.
4. Abnormal ways of extinguishment of obligations.
5. Warranties in sale.
6. Sales contract (except warranties).
7. Lease contract.
8. Lease of residential houses.
9. Estimates and works.
10. Agency.

Topics are tackled from a practical angle: study of cases, analysis and writing of contractual clauses, commentary on decisions, etc.

Assessment : Written exam, based on the topics discussed during the 10 seminars, is organised during the examination periods (duration: 3 hours). Students may use their own legal texts and notes. The exam has some practical features. Students have to carry out one of the following exercises: draft a contractual clause, comment on a contract or a decision, solve a simple problem, advise a party, etc.