

Faculty of Law



DROI2303 Theory and practice of law in economics

[30h] 4.5 credits

This course is taught in the 1st semester

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Language: French
Level: Second cycle

Aims

Essentially, to develop students' critical reflection on the actions of some "creators" of standards, on the borderline of law, order and regulation. The standards studied are those governing and orientating the activities of economic mediators. The analysis of mechanisms for the prevention of conflicts and their resolution relating to these standards on the fringes of the influence of ordinary courts also come within the scope of the course.

Main themes

The course studies the mechanisms for the elaboration of these standards and the fundamental concepts they use: public interest, the conflict between the necessary intervention of public powers and the respect of private interests, the balance between standards imposed and freedom to act, the importance of values, power, equality, the protection of the weakest, the efficacy of the standard, restrictions, etc. The standards that embody these concepts are explained and their impact on economic activity are demonstrated.

Content and teaching methods

Teaching method: a specialist is invited to every lecture. After his/her presentation, a dialogue takes place with those students previously chosen to be privileged participants. This discussion is prepared with the help of a syllabus, a set reading list and specific texts. Each student must additionally prepare a lecture and write a critical paper thereafter.

Content:

The course is in three parts: the role of the rule of law in economics, the way the law is expressed in economic terms, the prevention of disputes and alternative solutions.

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

Students receive a set reading list, which can be used during the examination. The approach is multidisciplinary: commercial law, accountancy law, social law, public law, etc. Emphasis is also placed on international and European law. Some texts come from private bodies. Students also have a syllabus and documentation. Assessment is continuous. If they wish, students can opt to take examinations on two themes studied during the year.