

INSTITUTIONAL LAW OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Bachelor in Law

Faculty of Social Sciences, Economics and Law

Course information

Bachelor year 3 27 HOURS Fall Semester 5 ECTS

Lectures (CM)

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Course description

The aim of this course is to introduce the general system of the European Union which is unavoidable for anyone who wishes to understand French law. The course will present first the institutions of the EU, i.e., the ones than make the law (mainly the European Commission, the Council and the Parliament as well as the European Court of Justice and the other specialized institutions). The law-making process will also be analyzed in order to understand what is the role of each institution and of member States. It will be shown that the process manages to reach a fairly balanced approach that takes into account all the interests at stake. The question of the enforcement of EU law and its application in domestic legal systems will also be addressed, as well as the possible recourses before the European Court of Justice. At the end of the course, the students will be able to understand properly the way EU works and the way it adopts decisions. They will also be familiar with the relationship between member States and the Union and the way competences are exercised in an harmonious basis.

By the end of the course, students should be able to:

- 1 Understand thoroughly the functioning of the EU.
- 2 Present and discuss these issues in English.
- 3 Develop a critical (positive or negative) approach of core issues of EU law such as Human rights and democracy

Bibliography

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P. Craig, R. de Burca, EU Law, texts, cases and material, Oxford University Press