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| **Subject** | **Legal Writing** | | | |
| **Type** | **Semester** | **ECTS** | **Code** |
| Mandatory (M) | 2 | 4 | Law-B-013 |
| **The lecturer of the subject** | Dr. Mervete Shala |  |  |  |
| **Aims and Objectives** | The main purpose of this course is to provide the necessary knowledge and skills for law students in terms of the basic principles of building the structure of legal writing, the writing process and the methodology of legal writing according to the basic techniques of legal writing and the harmonization of this local legislation with EU legislation. The purpose of this course is to Learn to effectively draft, write legal documents and debate on solving different legal questions.  The subject "Legal writing " has as its subject knowledge of the principles and rules of legal technique, which are concretized in the process of drafting legal norms and writing legal provisions. This subject is theoretical and practical, because theoretical knowledge comes to expression in the phase of creating legal norms and acts. | | | |
| **Learning Outcomes** | After completing this course, students should be able to:   * Understand general principles for drafting legislation; * Learn to effectively draft legal writs; * Explain and debate on solving different legal questions through digest of various academic readings, discussion, and class activities; * Apply the gained knowledge of draft legal writs. | | | |
| **Course Content** | **Course Plan** | | | **Week** |
| Presentation of the course syllabus. Introduction to legal writing 1 | | | 1 |
| General principles in drafting legislation | | | 2 |
| Creation of the right. Planned (intentional) creation of the right. | | | 3 |
| Stages of the process of drafting a draft act | | | 4 |
| The legislative process in the Republic of Kosovo, | | | 5 |
| The structure of the normative act. Hierarchy of legal norms | | | 6 |
| Colloquium I | | | 7 |
| Techniques and technical rules for the drafting of acts | | | 8 |
| Normative language. Writing normative texts - | | | 9 |
| Writing normative texts – (continued) | | | 10 |
| The ethics of drafting legislation | | | 11 |
| Analyzing regulatory impact assessment forms | | | 12 |
| Simulation of the process of approval of the normative act | | | 13 |
| Colloquium II | | | 14 |
| The final exam | | | 15 |
| **Teaching/Learning Methods** | **Teaching/Learning Activity** | | | **Weight (%)** |
| 1. Lectures | | | 60% |
| 1. Seminars | | | 20% |
| 1. Role play | | | 20% |
| 1. Case studies exercises | | |  |
|  | 1. Reviews | | |  |
| 1. Problem-based learning | | |  |
| 1. Study visits | | |  |
| **Assessment Methods** | **Assessment Activity** | **Number** | **Week** | **Weight (%)** |
| 1. Participation | 1 | 1-13 | 10% |
| 1. Seminar | 1 | 12 | 10% |
| 1. Colloquium I 2. Legal Writing Colloquium II      1. Role play 2. Practical tasks | 1  1  1 | 7  14  13  3-12 | 30%  30%  10%  10% |
| 1. Final exam 1 |  | 15 | 0-100% |
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| **Course resources** | **Resources** | | | **Number** |
| 1. Class (e.g) | | | 1 |
| 1. Projector | | | 1 |
| 1. Moodle | | | 1 |
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| **ECTS Workload** | **Activity** | | **Weekly hrs** | **Total workload** |
| 1. Lectures | | 2 | 24 |
| 1. Seminars | | 2 | 24 |
| 1. Practical work | |  | 10 |
| 1. Self-study | |  | 36 |
| 1. Exams | | 3 | 6 |
| **Literature/References** | * **The legal framework** * The Consitution of the Republic of Kosova; * Law No.04/L-025 on legislative Initiatives, Official Gazette of the Republic of Kosova / No. 23 / 26 October 2011, Pristina * Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of Kosova Republic, on 28 July 2022; * Regulation (Ministry of Local Government Administration) No.02/2021 on the procedure for the drafting and publication of Municipal acts; * Regulation (GRK) No.05/2016 on Minimum Standards for Public Consultation process * Administrative Instruction No.03/2013 on standards for the drafting of normative acts;   -**Literature:**   * Besim M. Kajtazi (2016), Drafting of legislation in the Republic of Kosova * Bicaj Kadri, Methodology of legal writing, (Metodologjia e shkrimit ligjor(juridik), 2012 * • Berberi, Sokol, Principles and rules for drafting normative acts, (Parime dhe rregulla për hartimin e akteve normative), Tirana 2016. * • Aliu, Abdullah, Legal writing, (Shkrimi ligjor), Pristina 2003 * • Prof. Dr. Bajram Pollozhani, Creation of law and the role of legal technique, (Krijimi i së drejtës dhe roli teknikës juridike), (LogosA Skopje, 2003) * • Bajgora, Ali, Introduction to academic writing, (Hyrje në shkrim akademik), Pristina 2007 | | | |
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