



## SYLLABUS OF THE COURSE “CONSTITUTIONAL LAW”

Basic data of the course	
<b>Academic Unit:</b>	Faculty of Law
<b>Course title:</b>	Constitutional law
<b>Program:</b>	General Law
<b>Level:</b>	Bachelor
<b>Course status:</b>	Mandatory
<b>Study year:</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>
<b>Number of hours per week:</b>	3+2
<b>Credit value – ECTS:</b>	7
<b>Time / location:</b>	Faculty of law
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<b>Course description:</b>	Through this course, students will analyze basic constitutional concepts, sources of constitutional law, constitutional systems and institutions, types of constitutions, the constitutional aspect of the rule of law and the protection of constitutional rights and freedoms. Also, the constitutional system of the Republic of Kosovo will be briefly addressed.
<b>Course objectives:</b>	This course aims to teach bachelor students the theoretical part of constitutional law as a special branch of law, where they will have the opportunity to analyze the basic constitutional concepts, constitutional systems and institutions, sources of constitutional law, the nature and types of constitutions, the constitutional aspect of the rule of law and the protection of constitutional rights and freedoms. Special attention will be paid to the constitutional system of the Republic of Kosovo, the principles and constitutional structure in Kosovo, including the organization and scope of the constitutional bodies of the Republic of Kosovo.
<b>Learning outcomes:</b>	After the successful completion of the lectures, students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To understand and know the basic constitutional concepts</li><li>• To understand the basic legal and political institutions of the constitutional system;</li></ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To materialize the knowledge generated from this course in practice.</li> <li>• To acquire knowledge about the constitutional system in the Republic of Kosovo;</li> <li>• To be able to interpret legal provisions from this field.</li> </ul>
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**Contribution on student load (must correspond with learning outcomes)**

Activity	Hours	Weeks	Total /hours
Lectures	3	1/15	45
Exercise theoretical/laboratory	2	1/15	30
Practice work			
Contact with lecturer/consultations	1	1/15	15
Field exercises			
Mid-terms, seminars	1	1/1	1
Homework	1	1/5	5
Individual time spent studying (at the library or home)	3	15	45
Final preparation for the exam	2	1/11	22
Time spent in evaluation (tests, quiz, final exam)	1	1/8	8
Projects, presentations, etc.	1	1/4	4
<b>Total</b>			<b>175 hours (7ECTS)</b>

<b>Teaching methods</b>	<p>The teaching methodology will consist of lecturing the subject in a clear and comprehensible way for the students, as well as in the deep analysis of the relevant topic.</p> <p>The lecture will be presented according to the interactive method.</p> <p>In order to prepare the subject as well as possible and to allow for greater interaction in the classroom, it is recommended that students read the materials for the topic that will be discussed in the following class. Students are encouraged to ask questions, comments and suggestions during the lectures as well as to raise discussion points within the topic of the lecture.</p>
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<b>Evaluation methods</b>	<p><i>Oral and written assessment:</i></p> <p><i>Participation and activity in lectures.....5%</i></p> <p><i>Participation and activity in exercises .....5%</i></p> <p><i>Seminar papers ..... 10%</i></p> <p><i>Final assessment.....80%</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>Total: .....100%</i></p>
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Literature		
<b>Basic Literature:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kadri Kryeziu, "Constitutional law", Prizren, 2017.</li> <li>- Kurtesh Saliu, "Constitutional law" Prishtina, 2004.</li> <li>- Arsim Bajrami &amp; Florent Muçaj, "Constitutional right", Pristina 2018.</li> <li>- Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo.</li> </ul>	
<b>Additional Literature</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Oliver Duhamel, "Droit constitutionnel/Constitutional right-Democracies", Paris 1993, translated from French by Alba Frashëri</li> <li>- Vicki Jackson "Constitutional Engagement in a Transnational Era", Oxford University Press, 2013.</li> <li>- Rosenfeld, Michel, and András Sajó, eds. "The Oxford handbook of comparative constitutional law", Oxford University Press, 2012.</li> </ul>	
Designed study plan:		
Week	Lectures	Exercises
<b>First week:</b>	<b>Presentation of the subject program and teaching methodology</b>	Presentation of the work methodology in the exercises
<b>Second week:</b>	<b>Presentation of constitutions and constitutional development in the world</b> Origin and sparks of the Constitution Presentation of the first written constitutions Reasons for the implementation of written constitutions Presentation of the constitutions written during the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries	Repetition-presentation of constitutions and constitutional development in the world
<b>Third week:</b>	<b>Meaning, object of study, methods and sources of constitutional law</b> The meaning of Constitutional Law The Importance of Constitutional Law Study object and methods of Constitutional Law Content of Constitutional Law Sources of Constitutional Law	Repetition-meaning, object of study, methods and sources of constitutional law
<b>Fourth week:</b>	<b>The Constitution as a juridical-political act of the state</b> The meaning of the constitution Theories on types of constitutions Properties of the constitution Content of the constitution	Repetition-Constitution as a juridical-political act of the state Elaboration of the content of the Constitution of Kosovo, the manner of its adoption and amendment



	<p>The composition (structure) of the constitution</p> <p>Methods of approving and amending the constitution</p>	
<b>Fifth week:</b>	<p><b>Periodization of constitutional development in the world</b></p> <p>Constitutional development from the end of the 18th century and during the 19th century</p> <p>Constitutional development in the world in the period between the First and Second World Wars</p> <p>Constitutional development in the world after the Second World War</p>	<p>Repetition-periodization of constitutional development in the world, analysis of the characteristics of certain constitutions that have appeared during certain periods</p>
<b>Sixth week:</b>	<p><b>Constitutionality and legality</b></p> <p>Presentation and development of the principle of constitutionality</p> <p>The notion of constitutionality</p> <p>The content of the principle of constitutionality</p> <p>The notion of legality</p> <p>Content of the principle of legality</p> <p>The principle of the rule of law and the rule of law</p>	<p>Repetition-Constitutionality and legality</p>
<b>Seventh week:</b>	<p><b>Country</b></p> <p>Presentation of the state</p> <p>The notion of the state</p> <p>Forms of state government</p> <p>Forms of political regime</p> <p>Forms of state regulation</p> <p>Forms of exercising state power</p>	<p>Repetition-State and types and forms of state</p>
<b>Eighth week:</b>	<p><b>State bodies</b></p> <p>Types of state bodies</p> <p>Parliament</p> <p>Head of state</p> <p>Government</p> <p>Court</p> <p>Prosecutor</p>	<p>Repetition - state bodies</p> <p>Discussion about state bodies in the Republic of Kosovo</p>
<b>Ninth week:</b>	<p><b>The evolution of constitutional identity in Kosovo</b></p> <p>The history of the constitutional protection of rights in Kosovo</p> <p>Constitutional protection of human rights and freedoms in the Republic of Kosovo</p>	<p>Repetition-Evolution of constitutional identity in Kosovo</p> <p>Constitutional Court of the Republic of Kosovo, composition, authorized parties, powers and effect of decisions</p>



	<p>Constitutional Court of the Republic of Kosovo</p> <p>Composition of the Constitutional Court</p> <p>Competences of the Constitutional Court in Kosovo</p> <p>The effect of the decisions of the Constitutional Court</p>	
<b>Tenth week:</b>	<p><b>Freedoms and human rights of citizens from the sphere of constitutional law</b></p> <p>Presentation and development of the institution of human and citizen freedoms and rights</p> <p>Classification of human and citizen freedoms and rights</p> <p>Freedoms and personal rights</p> <p>Freedoms and political rights</p> <p>Freedoms and social, economic and cultural rights</p>	<p>Repetition - Personal, political and social, economic and cultural freedoms and rights</p>
<b>Eleventh week:</b>	<p><b>The election system</b></p> <p>Understanding the election system and the right to vote</p> <p>The importance of elections and the election system</p> <p>Political and constitutional-legal theory and the election system</p> <p>The system of allocation of mandates in the case of elections</p> <p>Types of election systems</p> <p>The relationship between voters and their elected representatives</p> <p>The role of political parties in the election system</p>	<p>Repetition-election system</p>
<b>Twelfth week:</b>	<p><b>Political parties</b></p> <p>Understanding political parties</p> <p>Presentation and development of political parties</p> <p>The functions of the political party</p> <p>The power of the political party</p> <p>Class character of political parties</p> <p>Political parties as factors of democracy</p> <p>Proponents and members of political parties</p>	<p>Repetition-political parties</p>



	<p>Organization of political parties Types of political parties Interest groups</p>	
<b>Thirteenth week:</b>	<p><b>Local self-government</b> Local self-government, meaning and definition The origin and development of local self-government Conditions for the existence and operation of local self-government Forms of local self-government Local government - deconcentration and decentralization Local self-government in Kosovo</p>	Repetition-local self-government
<b>Fourteenth week:</b>	<p><b>Defense and the military</b> The political role of the military in different states and political systems The attitude of the constitution towards defense and the army Defense and the army in the constitutions of unitary and federal countries Defense and the army in Kosovo</p>	Repetition-defense and military
<b>Fifteenth week:</b>	<b>Exam preparation</b>	Repetition of topics covered during the semester
<p><b>The academic policy and code of conduct:</b></p>		
<p><b>Students are obliged to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The student must respect the schedule of lectures and exercises and at the same time be attentive in class.</li> <li>➤ Plagiarism and similar fraudulent phenomena will be punished according to the legal acts in force.</li> <li>➤ To respect the Code of Ethics for Students of "Ukshin Hoti" University in Prizren.</li> </ul>		