DISCIPLINE DESCRIPTION

1. General Information

1.1 Institution of Higher Education	West University of Timişoara
1.2 Faculty / Department	The Faculty of Law
1.3 Department	Public Law Department
1.4 Area of study	Law
1.5 Study Level	MA Studies
1.6 Study Programme / Qualification	European Union Law

2. Course Description

2.1 Title of the course				European Union Internet Law D2UE1112			
2.2 Responsible for class activities				Assist. Proff. Andreea Verteş-Olteanu			
2.3 Responsible for seminar activities				Assist. Proof. Andreea Verteş-Olteanu			
2.4 Year of Study	I	2.5 Semester	I	2.6 Assessment requirements	Ex	2.7 Status of the course	SS/CS

3. Estimated total number of hours (teaching hours per semester)

3.1 Number of hours per week	2	of which: 3.2 course	2	3. 3 seminar/laboratory	0
3.4 Total number of hours in the curriculum	28	of which: 3.5. course	28	3.6 seminar/laboratory	0

Distribution of time:	hours
Study using textbooks, support materials, bibliography and lecture notes	27
Additional research in the library, by electronic resources / field research	20
Preparation of seminars / laboratories, themes, papers, portofolios and essays	-
Tutorials	2
Exams	2
Other activities	-

3.7 Total number of hours individual study	**47**
3.8 Total number of hours per semester	**75**
3.9 Credit points	**3**

4. Requirements for enrolment in the course (as the case may be)

4.1 curriculum related	● -
4.2 competences related	● -

5. Requirements (as the case may be)

5.1 course related	● -
5.2 seminar/laboratory related	● -

6. Specific output competences

Professional competences	- Proper understanding and use of specialized terminology; - Knowledge of course related bibliography; - Ability to formulate arguments and to engage in debates on European, national and international law on free access to public information, protection of classified information, protection of personal data, limits and protection of privacy of a person etc.
Transversal competences	- Ability to analyze characteristics of national, European and international legal provisions concerning communications and new technologies - Ability to critically reflect on public policy proposals in the field of communications and new technologies, and the consequences of their implementation - Ability to analyze, interpret and evaluate national case law and that of the European Court of Human Rights in the field Explanation and Interpretation - Studied concepts will complement the knowledge provided by other law courses. Instrumental - practical - Use of a rich audio-visual material that will make the course more accessible and interesting - Students will write essays based on the recommended bibliography Attitude related - Participation in own professional development - Promoting a system of cultural, moral and civic values

7. Course objectives (according to the expected specific output competences)

7.1 General course objective	The objective of the course is to familiarize students with the relevant legal regulations in force in the field of communications and new technologies. Students will be introduced to the specific legal rights and obligations of the online environment and to the main sources of these rights and obligations. There will also be debated legal issues commonly encountered in the field, to identify viable solutions.
7.2 Specific objectives	- Students will get familiarized to national, European and international legislation concerning communications and new technologies; - Students will gain a better understanding of the cultural elements of the virtual environment in relation with the dynamics of the modern world; - Students will become familiar with the terminology and basic concepts specific to the sphere of communications and new technologies; - Students will analyze and debate the organization and functioning of the system of protection of fundamental rights and freedoms in the online environment.

8. Contents

8.1 Course	Teaching methods	Remarks
1. Communication rights. The current stage of development. The relationship communication rights - democracy, media or fundamental rights	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours
2. The natural person - subject of rights and obligations in the communication related legal relationship	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours

3. Public authorities - subjects of rights and obligations in the communication related legal relationship	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours
4. The means of mass communication. General considerations. Mass media - the fourth power in a state. Print media and the Internet - the rights and obligations of their subjects.	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours
5. Communication ethics.	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours
6. Legal framework of electronic communications.	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours
7. What is the Internet. The notion of Internet law. Sources and fundamental principles of the Internet.	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 Hours
8. Internet and fundamental rights and freedoms (1). a. Human rights and equity in cyberspace b. Freedom of expression c / right to privacy. Freedom of expression and crimes against dignity.	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours
9. Internet and fundamental rights and freedoms (2). a. filters and blocking access to the internet - guards or censors? Firewalls and power - a comprehensive analysis of state censorship of the Internet. b. The right to information and access to culture c / intellectual property on the Internet. c. Protection of children and young people - negative content in the digital environment.	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 Hours
10. Internet and personal data a. protection of personal data b. The reform of Directive 95/46 / EC i. General principles and requirements of the legality of data processing ii. Criteria for making data processing legitimate iii. Right of access to data of the person concerned iv. Exemptions and restrictions v. Notification vi. The transfer of personal data to third countries	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours
11. Internet and contracts a. Specific contracts related to the Internet (with technical finality) b. Contracts concluded by electronic media: e-commerce	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours
12. Internet and Intellectual Property a. The Internet and copyright b. Internet, brand and domain name	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours
13. Internet and tort liability of service providers a. Cases of exemption from liability b. Cases of tort liability of internet service providers	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours
14. 14. Internet and international law. Internet and security. a. International Internet law	Oral presentation with interactive sections	2 hours

b. Private international law applied to the Internet c. Security of Internet network d. Fight against cybercrime e. European Initiatives		
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9. Corroborating the subject contents with the expectations of the epistemic community representatives, professional associations and relevant employers in the program related field

The course contents corresponds to the approach to these issues in Romanian schools.

10. Assessment

Type of activity	10.1 Assessment criteria	10.2 Assessment methods	10.3 Percent of the final mark
10.4 Course	- students' answers during written / oral examination	written examination	80%
	- activities like homework, essays, translations, projects		10%
10.5 Seminar / laboratory	Permanent assessment during the semester		10%
10.6 Minimum performance standards			
- Passing the final exam			

11. Carrying out teaching and assessment activity in the online environment (weeks 8 – 14)

E-learning platform used Moodle / Google Classroom	The video-conferencing application that will be used	Technical conditions necessary for participation in the educational process and the evaluation process	The way/platform through which the course material can be consulted in electronic format and where other learning / bibliographic resources in digital format can be accessed
Moodle / Google Classroom	Google Meet	The student needs access to specific technical means, in order to participate in the educational process and the evaluation process: desktop / laptop / tablet / smartphone connected to the internet, which allow access to the e-learning platform used, as well as the installation of the video-conferencing application used. In order to optimally carry out the educational process, the student's login on the e-learning platform used will be done exclusively from the institutional account (first name.last name anulnașterii@e-uvt.ro).	Moodle

Date of completion
15.09.2024

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Date of approval by department
18.09.2024

Signature of head of the department
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