



Course Syllabus

Course Code LAW-131	Course Title Contract Law I	ECTS Credits 6
Prerequisites N/A	Department Law	Semester Fall
Type of Course Compulsory	Field Contract Law	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1 st Cycle	Lecturer Christina Lederer	Year of Study 1 st
Mode of Delivery Conventional	Work Placement N/A	Corequisites N/A

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to introduce the general principles of contract law, consider the necessary elements for the formation of a contract, consider the principles of contractual terms (express and implied terms) and consider the validity of exemption clauses.

Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Identify the essential elements for the formation of a contract. Define invitation to treat and offer (including unilateral offer) and illustrate what a given statement amounts to. Analyse the various means by which an offer can be accepted. Based on this, consider if a contract has come into existence. Identify if an offer has been revoked prior to acceptance. Define cross and counter offers (including battle of the forms) and consider if a contract has come into existence.
2. Define consideration and its types. Illustrate the relevance of consideration to the formation of contracts (the rules of consideration) and conclude if a promise is thus enforceable. Illustrate the relevance of consideration to the discharge of contracts (equitable estoppel).
3. Determine if the parties have an intention to create legal relations.
4. Determine if the parties have capacity to enter into a contract.
5. Identify which formalities are necessary for the creation of contracts made by deed, contracts in writing and contracts evidenced in writing.
6. Identify if a statement is a term or representation. Analyse the ways in which express and

implied terms can become part of a contract. Examine the types of terms according to their importance.

7. Define exemption and limitation clauses and consider the means through which these can become part of a contract with a consumer or another business organisation.
8. Compose essay and problem style questions through applying the above.

Course Content:

During the course, the student will study the following:

1. Introduction to Contract Law
2. Offer
3. Acceptance
4. Consideration
5. Intention to create legal relations
6. Capacity to enter into a contract
7. Formalities
8. Express and implied terms of the contract
9. Terms of a contract
10. Exemption Clauses

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Interactive lectures, student participation, case studies, essays and problem - solving questions

Assessment Methods:

Mid -term and final examinations

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Authors	Publisher	Edition
Law of Contract	Paul Richards	Pearson	14 th
Casebook on Contract Law	Jill Poole	Oxford University Press	15 th

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Title	Authors	Publisher	Edition
Contract Law	Catherine Elliot, Francis Quinn	Pearson	12 th
Contract Law, Text, cases & materials	McKendrick. E	Oxford University Press	10 th
Textbook on Contract Law	Jill Poole	Oxford University Press	15 th
Blackstone's Statutes on Contract, Tort & Restitution	Blackstone's	Blackstone's	33 rd