



Course Syllabus

Course Code LAW-281	Course Title Company Law I	ECTS Credits 6
Prerequisites None	Department Law	Semester Fall
Type of Course Required	Field Law	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1 st Cycle	Lecturer Peter Pafitis	Year of Study 2 nd
Mode of Delivery Face-to-face	Work Placement N/A	Corequisites None

Course Objectives:

To introduce the student to the nature, implications and consequences of legal and corporate personality, to examine the rules and principles which govern the formation, administration and the functioning of a company, as well as the relations between the company and outsiders and between the company and its members/shareholders.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

1. Explain the different forms of business organizations
2. Demonstrate the implications of, and the formalities required for, the formation of a limited company
3. State the key differences between different types of corporate entities and grasp the concepts, implications and consequences of corporate personality and limited liability
4. Demonstrate an understanding of the circumstances in which the veil of incorporation will be lifted by the judiciary and by Parliament
5. Discuss the duties of promoters and assess the principles governing pre-incorporation contracts
6. Demonstrate knowledge of principles applicable to the memorandum and articles of association of a company
7. Assess the responsibility of a company for tortious and criminal action
8. Explain the need for acquiring problem-solving skills with a view to applying legal principles to factual situations and scenarios

Course Content:

Introduction, Forms of Business Organization
 The Nature of Legal Personality
 Lifting the Veil of Incorporation Company formation, Promoters &
 Pre-incorporation contacts
 Articles / Memorandum of Association
 Attributing responsibility to a company for tortious & Criminal actions

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Interactive lectures, tutorials, case studies, student participation

Assessment Methods:

Assignment and/or presentation, mid-term examination, final examination

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Company Law	John Lowry and Alan Dignam	Oxford University Press	2018	9780198811831
Gower: Principles of Modern Company Law	Professors Paul Davies and Sarah Worthington	Sweet & Maxwell	2016	9780414056268

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Company Law in Context	David Kershaw	Oxford University Press	2012	9780199609321
Blackstone's Statutes on Company Law	Derek French	Oxford University Press	2018	9780198802679

Sealy & Worthington's Texts, Cases & Materials in Company Law	Sarah Worthington	Oxford University Press	2016	9780198722052
Company Law in Practice	The City Law School	Oxford University Press	2017	9780198787723
Company Law	Brenda Hannigan	Oxford University Press	2018	9780198787709
Mason, French & Ryan on Company Law	Derek French	Oxford University Press	2018	9780198815105