



Course Syllabus

Course Code LAW-165	Course Title Legal Anthropology	ECTS Credits 6
Prerequisites None	Department Law	Semester Fall, Spring
Type of Course Elective	Field Anthropology/Sociology	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1 st Cycle	Lecturer(s) Dr Evi Eftychiou	Year of Study 1 st
Mode of Delivery Face to face	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None

Objectives of the Course:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- provide a broad overview of the field of legal anthropology - the comparative study of law, legal institutions, and other modes of dispute processing and regulation, in both contemporary and historical cultural settings
- introduce current debates related to anthropology and law
- reflect critically on each student's culture and legal framework

Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the practical and theoretical benefits anthropology to law and vice versa
2. Cultivate a fundamental capacity for understanding law, legal institutions, disputes and dispute processing and regulation through anthropological theories and findings
3. Have the ability to decode unfamiliar and familiar cultures and an ability to interpret "difference" in cultural context
4. Give written and oral presentations on related issues and be able to organize the available time and cope with deadlines;
5. Have the learning skills to allow them to continue education in a self-directed manner and to work on an academic level within the intended professional field.

6. Make efficient use of libraries, bibliographical material and academic research.

Course Contents:

1. What is culture? (Characteristics of culture & introduction to social anthropology)
2. Introduction to legal anthropology
3. Political Organization (Power and social control, conflict management and resolution)
4. Order, disputes and legal pluralism
5. Law as an intellectual system
6. Colonialism and hegemonic processes of law
7. Human rights: universalism Vs. cultural relativism

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Class discussions, Debates, Films/Documentaries.

Assessment Methods:

Midterm, Debate, Class Participation, Final Exam.

Required Textbooks / Reading:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
<i>The Anthropology of Law</i>	Pirie Fernanda	Oxford University Press	2013	978-0-19-969685-7

Recommended Textbooks / Reading:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
<i>Anthropology & Law</i>	James M. Donovan and H. Edwin Anderson, III	Berghahn Books	2003	1-57181-423