



Course Syllabus

Course Code LAW-303	Course Title Immigration Law	ECTS Credits 6
Prerequisites None	Department Law	Semester Spring
Type of Course Elective	Field Law	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1 st Cycle	Lecturer Christos Papastylanos	Year of Study 3 rd
Mode of Delivery Face-to-face	Work Placement N/A	Corequisites None

Course Objectives:

The aims of the course are:

- A) to provide students a good, critical general understanding of the immigration within the context of E.U law and the European Convention on Human Rights. Students will be taught the background and context of the above mentioned instruments, as well as their substance, procedure and application concerning immigration, in practice.
- B) To provide the historical background of human rights' implementation in the jurisprudence of the ECtHR on immigration issues, and an overview of the rights contained in the ECHR and the European Charter of Human Rights and key concepts such as: right to life (Article 2); freedom from torture (Article 3); liberty of the person (Article 5); right to respect for family life (Article 8);
- C) Examine and scrutinize the asylum and humanitarian protection under the European and International Human Rights Law.

Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Assess the case-law under the Convention and E.U law in the domain of immigration law

2. Critically evaluate and apply the relevant case-law to domestic and international issues.
3. Integrate the philosophy of the ECHR, E.U law and of the relevant jurisprudence on immigration issues
4. Demonstrate the impact of the ECHR and E.U on the domestic legal order in the domain of immigration law
5. Appraise the case-law of the European Court of Human Rights and Court of Justice, in the immigration law field, analyse and address practical legal problems.

Course Content:

During the course, the student will cover the following fields:

1. The extraterritorial application of ECHR and the Jurisdiction of the ECtHR. When and under which circumstances the ECHR applies to immigration law cases
2. Articles 2 & 3 of the ECHR: The Principle of non-refoulement.
3. Prohibition of Collective expulsions according to art 4 of the 4th Protocol of the ECHR
4. Article 8 ECHR: the right to respect for private and family life of immigrants
5. Expulsion of immigrants according to art 2 of the 7th Protocol of the ECHR
6. The rights of Irregular Immigrants according to the ECHR
7. The E.U Legal Framework with regard to asylum
8. The E.U legal framework with regard to third country nationals
9. The E.U Legal Framework with regard to irregular immigrants
10. Criminalisation of irregular immigration

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Interactive lectures, tutorials, written examinations and assignments

Assessment Methods:

One written assignment, mid-term exam, final exam

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Handbook on European Law relating to asylum, borders and immigration. Available at: https://fra.europa.eu/sites/default/files/fra_uploads/fra-2020-handbook-law-asylum-migration-borders-2020-ed_en.pdf	Fundamental Rights Agency, Council of Europe	FRA (Fundamental Rights' Agency)	2020	978-92-9474-985-7
Migration and the European Convention on Human Rights	Başak Çali, Ledi Bianku, Iulia Motoc	Oxford University Press	2021	978-0-19-289519-6

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
UNHCR - Handbook and Guidelines on Procedures and Criteria for Determining Refugee Status under the 1951 Convention and the 1967 Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees	UNHCR	UNHCR -	Feb 2019	