



Course Syllabus

Course Code LAW-327	Course Title Medical Law and Bioethics	ECTS Credits 6
Prerequisites None	Department Law	Semester Fall
Type of Course Elective	Field Law	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1 st Cycle	Lecturer Nikolaos Koumoutzis	Year of Study 3 rd / 4 th
Mode of Delivery Face-to-face	Work Placement -	Corequisites -

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- introduce students to legal and ethical issues related with medical practice, and especially to study:
- medical assistance to human reproduction
- the patient's informed consent to the medical treatment
- medical liability
- the interventions of medicine in the end of life
- the case law, comparative law and European law, relevant to the above topics

Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Describe and interpret the normative framework of Medical Law and Bioethics
2. Explain the complex legal-ethical dilemmas arising in the context of medical decision-making
3. Engage in debates concerning the above subject matters, by formulating well-reasoned and coherent arguments

Course Content:

1. *Introduction to Medical Law and Bioethics*
2. *Medical assistance to human reproduction*

- Preimplantation genetic diagnosis
- Cloning
- Reproduction post mortem & Reproduction through surrogacy

3. *The informed consent of the patient to the medical treatment*

4. *Medical liability*

- Legal nature
- A liability of service providers
- The medical fault (causing harm or death of the patient / wrongful life / wrongful birth)

5. *Medical interventions in the end of life*

- Euthanasia & Advance directives
- Assisted suicide
- Organ transplantations

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Interactive lectures. Tutorials. Written examinations

Assessment Methods:

Final Exams. Midterm Exams. Participation

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
<i>Medical Law: Text, Cases, and Materials (6th ed.)</i>	Jackson Emily	Oxford University Press	2022	9780192843456
<i>Medical Law and Ethics (9th ed.)</i>	Herring Jonathan	Oxford University Press	2022	9780192856562

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
<i>Principles of International Biolaw</i>	Adorno Roberto	Bruylant	2013	9782802742012
<i>International Biolaw and Shared Ethical Principles: The Universal Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights</i>	Caporale Cinzia & Pavone Ilja Richard (eds.)	Routledge	2018	9781315589312
<i>Great Debates in Medical Law and Ethics (2nd ed.)</i>	Goold Imogen & Herring Jonathan	Hart	2018	9781352002287
<i>Landmark Cases in Medical Law</i>	Herring Jonathan & Wall Jesse	Hart	2017	9781509917723
<i>The Oxford Handbook of Bioethics</i>	Steinbock Bonnie (ed.)	Oxford University Press	2009	9780199562411
<i>The Cambridge Textbook of Bioethics</i>	Singer Peter & Viens A.M.	Cambridge University Press	2008	9780521872843
<i>The Emergence of Biolaw: The European Experience and the Evolutionary Approach</i>	Vidalis Takis	Springer	2022	9783031023583