



SYLLABUS FORM
CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I

Basic data of the subject	
Academic Unit:	University of Prizren "Ukshin Hoti" Faculty of Law
Course title:	Constitutional Law I
Program:	General Law
Level:	Bachelor
Course status:	Mandatory
Study year:	1 st year , 1 st semester
Number of hours per week:	3+2
Credit value – ECTS:	7
Time / location:	Faculty of Law
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Course description:	Through this course, students will analyze basic constitutional concepts, sources of constitutional law, constitutional systems and institutions, types of constitutions, constitutional aspect of the rule of law, and protection of constitutional rights and freedoms. The constitutional system of the Republic of Kosovo will also be addressed.
Course objectives:	This course aims to familiarize bachelor students with the theoretical part of constitutional law as a separate branch of law. In particular, students will analyze basic constitutional concepts, constitutional systems and institutions, sources of constitutional law, the nature and types of constitutions, the constitutional aspect of the rule of law, and the protection of constitutional rights and freedoms. Special attention will be paid to the constitutional system of the Republic of Kosovo, the principles and constitutional structure of Kosovo, including the organization and scope of constitutional bodies of the Republic of Kosovo.
Learning outcomes:	Upon successful completion of this course students should be able to:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To be trained in the interpretation of legal provisions in this field. ➤ Understand and recognize basic constitutional concepts. ➤ Understand the basic legal and political institutions of the constitutional system. ➤ The knowledge generated by this course materializes in practice. ➤ To acquire knowledge about the constitutional system in the Republic of Kosovo. 		
Contribution on student load (must correspond with learning outcomes)			
Activity	Hours	week	Total /hours
Lectures	3	15	30 hours
Exercise theoretical/laboratory	2	15	15
Practice work			
Contact with lecturer/consultations	1	15	15
Field exercises			
Mid-terms, seminars	1	1	1
Homework	1	15	15
Individual time spent studying (at the library or home)	1	15	15
Final preparation for the exam	2	15	30
Time spent in evaluation (tests, quiz, final exam)	2	2	4
Projects, presentations, etc.	1	15	15
Total			175 hours 7 ECTS
Teaching methods	<p>The teaching methodology will consist of lecturing the subject in a clear and understandable way for the students as well as in-depth analysis of the relevant topic.</p> <p>Lectures will be presented using the interactive (Socratic) method.</p> <p>In order to better prepare the subject and the opportunity for greater interaction in the classroom, it is strongly recommended that students read the materials in advance for the topic to be discussed in the following class.</p> <p>Students are encouraged to ask questions, comments, and suggestions during the lectures as well as tear off discussion points within the topic of the lecture.</p>		

Evaluation methods	<p>Assessment of students' knowledge is done throughout the semester, including their participation and activity during lectures, exercises, and during class presentations and discussions. The exam is taken by written or oral test.</p> <p>-Attendance and participation in lectures.....10% -Attendance and participation in exercises.....10% -Tests / Colloquiums.....30% -Practical work and seminars.....10% -Final evaluation.....50%</p> <hr/> <p>Total..... 100%</p>
Literature	
Basic Literature:	<p>-Kadri Kryeziu, "Constitutional Law", Prizren, 2017</p> <p>Kurtesh Saliu, "Constitutional Law" Prishtina, 2004.</p> <p>Arsim Bajrami & Florent Muçaj, "Constitutional Law", Pristina 2018.</p> <p>Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo with Constitutional Amendments, 2008.</p>
Additional Literature	<p>-Oliver Duhamel,</p> <p>-Vicki Jackson "Constitutional Engagement in a Transnational Era", Oxford University Press, 2013.</p> <p>-Rosenfeld, Michel, and András Sajó, eds. "The Oxford handbook of comparative constitutional law", Oxford University Press, 2012.</p>
Designed study plan:	
Week	Lectures which will be held
<i>First week:</i>	<p>Sources of constitutional law in the Republic of Kosovo Kosovo Declaration of Independence Content of Kosovo Declaration of Independence Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo Mission and features of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo Principles of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo</p>
<i>Second week:</i>	<p>PRESENTATION OF THE CONSTITUTIONS AND THE CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE WORLD</p>

	<p>The origin and sparks of the Constitution Presentation of the first written constitutions Reasons for the implementation of written constitutions Presentation of constitutions written during the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries Naming of constitutional law Theoretical differences between "State law" and "Constitutional law" based on foreign authors</p>
<i>Third week:</i>	<p>UNDERSTANDING, OBJECT, METHODS AND RESOURCES OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW Understanding Constitutional Law The Importance of Constitutional Law Subject of Constitutional Law Constitutional Law Methods Content of Constitutional Law Sources of Constitutional Law Formal sources of Constitutional Law Material sources of Constitutional Law</p>
<i>Fourth week:</i>	<p>CONSTITUTION AS A STATE LEGISLATIVE - POLITICAL ACT The importance of the constitution The meaning of the constitution Theories on the types of constitutions Theory of written and unwritten constitutions Theory of solid (soft) and soft (flexible) constitutions Theories on real, fictitious, real-programmatic and program-declarative constitutions Properties of the constitution Contents of the constitution Composition (structure) of the constitution Adoption of the constitution</p>
<i>Fifth week:</i>	<p>PRESENTATION OF THE CONSTITUTION AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE WORLD The origin and sparks of the constitution The periodization of constitutional development in the world Constitutional development from the late XVIII century and during the XIX century Constitutional development in the world between World War I and World War II Constitutional development in the world after World War II</p>
<i>Sixth week:</i>	<p>CONSTITUTIONALITY AND LEGISLATION Introducing and developing the principle of constitutionality The notion of constitutionality Content of the principle of constitutionality The notion of legality</p>

	Content of the principle of legality The rule of law and the rule of law
<i>Seventh week:</i>	Test
<i>Eighth week:</i>	STATE Presentation of the state The notion of the state Forms of state government Forms of the political regime Forms of state regulation Forms of exercising state power
<i>Ninth week:</i>	STATE BODIES Types of state bodies Parliament Head of State Government Court as a category of constitutional law Prosecution
<i>Tenth week:</i>	EVOLUTION OF CONSTITUTIONAL IDENTITY IN KOSOVO History of constitutional protection of rights in Kosovo Constitutional protection of human rights and freedoms in the Republic of Kosovo Constitutional Court of the Republic of Kosovo Composition of the Constitutional Court Powers of the Constitutional Court in Kosovo Effect of Constitutional Court decisions
<i>Eleventh week:</i>	HUMAN RIGHTS AND CITIZEN FREEDOMS AND RIGHTS IN THE SPHERE OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW Introduction and development of the institution of human rights and freedoms of citizens The constitution's attitude towards the institution of human rights and freedoms and of the citizen Freedoms and Human Rights in International Law Classification of freedoms and human rights of citizens Freedoms and personal rights Political freedoms and rights Freedom and social economic and cultural rights
<i>Twelfth week:</i>	ELECTION SYSTEM Understanding the system of elections and the right to vote The importance of elections and the election system Constitutional-legal political theory and the election system The system of allocating seats on the occasion of elections Types of election systems The relationship between the constituents and their elected representatives

	The role of political parties in the election system
<i>Thirteenth week:</i>	POLITICAL PARTIES Understanding political parties The appearance and development of political parties Functions of the political party The power of the political party The class character of political parties Political parties as factors of democracy Proponents and members of political parties Organization of political parties Types of political parties Stakeholders
<i>Fourteenth week:</i>	LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT Local self-government, meaning and definition Origin and development of local self-government Conditions of Existence and Functioning of Local Self-Government Forms of local self-government Local government - deco centration and decentralization Local self-government in Kosovo
<i>Fifteenth week:</i>	DEFENSE AND MILITARY The political role of the military in different states and political systems The constitution's attitude towards defense and the military Defense and military in the constitutions of unitary and federal countries Defense and Army in Kosovo

The academic policy and student's complaisance:	
Students are required to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student should respect the schedule of lectures, exercises and also be attentive to the class. • To comply all educational rules. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plagiarism and similar fraudulent phenomena will be punished under applicable legal acts. 	