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Faculty of Economic Sciences, Communication and IT Law

Syllabus

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty Board of Economic Sciences, Communication and IT on 26 April 2012, and is valid from the Autumn semester of 2012 at Karlstad University.

Course Code: RVGA02

Introduction to Commercial Law, 15 ECTS Credits (Handelsrättslig översiktskurs, 15 Swedish credit points)

Degree Level: Bachelor

Progressive Specialisation: G1N (First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements)

Language of Instruction

The language of instruction is Swedish.

Prerequisites

General admission requirements

Major Field of Study

RVA (Jurisprudence)

Learning Outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

Upon completion of the course, students should have acquired a basic knowledge of:

- -juridical terminology,
- -the structure and divisions of the legal system, and the role of the legal system in society,
- -basic legal method,
- -civil law, with an emphasis on commercial law,
- -general administrative law, penal and procedural law, taxation law, and
- -EC law.

Skills and abilities

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to

- -identify and analyse juridical problems, with an emphasis on commercial law,
- -work independently in searching for and interpreting relevant source material,
- -understand complex cross-disciplinary juridical problems,
- -work both individually and together with other students, and
- -communicate with public authorities and other juridical persons.

Attitude and assessment abilities

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to

- -make appropriate judgements within the specific field of study with respect to relevant scientific, societal and ethical aspects,
- -identify their own need for further knowledge and training, and
- -demonstrate insight into the role of jurisprudence in society as well as our responsibility for the way in which it

is used.

Content and Form of Instruction

Course content

Within the framework of the course, a survey of our legal system and its divisions, including EC law, is given. Specific juridical methodology is presented and basic legal terms discussed.

The main focus of the course is civil law. Special attention will be given to agreement law, the law relating to the sale of goods, property law, and association law. The course will also address competition and market law, labour law, credit law, economic family law, security law, insolvency law, procedural law, taxation law, and laws relating to claims of indemnification. The course will also cover administrative law with a focus on the legislation of public administration and, in connection therewith, the regulations concerning publicity and secrecy legislation within public administration together with the law relating to personal data.

Forms of instruction

Instruction is mainly in the form of lectures and exercises.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Examination is usually in the form of a written exam at the end of the course. Students who have failed an examination are entitled to at least two further examination opportunities per academic year. Mandatory assignments are a part of the course.

Grades

One of the grades Distinction (VG), Pass (G), or Fail (U) is awarded in the examination of the course.

Quality Assurance

Follow-up relating to learning conditions and goal-fulfilment takes place both during and upon completion of the course in order to ensure continuous improvement. Course assessment is based on student views and experiences as reported in written course evaluations and/or group discussions. Students will be informed of the result of the evaluation and of the measures to be taken.

Course Certificate

A course certificate will be provided upon request.

Additional Information

Students who enrolled before 1 July 2007 will complete their studies in accordance with the requirements of the earlier admission. Upon completion students may request degree and course certificates to be issued under the current ordinance if they meet its requirements.

The local regulations for studies at the Bachelor's and Master's levels at Karlstad University stipulate the obligations and rights of students and staff.

Students who enrolled in the programme before 1 July 1993 will complete their studies in accordance with the requirements of the earlier curriculum. Upon completion students may request degree and course certificates to be issued under the current ordinance if they meet its requirements.

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