



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
Law

### Syllabus

#### Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty Board of Arts and Social Sciences on 14 March 2014, and is valid from the Autumn semester of 2014 at Karlstad University.

**Course Code:** RVGA12

**Civil Law II, 15.0 ECTS Credits**

**(Rättskunskap II, 15.0 Swedish credit points)**

**Degree Level:** Bachelor

**Progressive Specialisation:** G1F (First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements)

#### Language of Instruction

The language of instruction is Swedish but some course components may be taught in English.

#### Prerequisites

RVGA11 Jurisprudence I, 15 ECTS cr or, RVGA01 Introduction to Commercial Law 15 ECTS cr, or RVGA02 Introduction to Commercial Law, 15 ECTS cr, or RVGA42 Real Estate with Introduction to Commercial Law 15 ECTS cr, or equivalent.

#### Major Field of Study

RVA (Jurisprudence)

#### Learning Outcomes

##### Knowledge and understanding

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:

- demonstrate in-depth knowledge of the basics of civil law,
- independently handle simple juridical cases,
- give an account of the concept of "state governed by law" and the relationship between the demands for efficiency and the demands for legal certainty,
- give an account of the foundations of EU law,
- write legal assignments in the areas treated in the course,
- demonstrate knowledge of the obligation to comply with norms in public administration compared to the private sector

##### Competence and skills

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:

- identify and analyse judicial problems, with a focus on civil law,
- independently search for and interpret legal sources,
- give an account of the public procurement process and its regulations,
- work on legal problems individually and as part of a team,
- apply their theoretical knowledge in practice at a public administration or a private company.

##### Attitude and assessment abilities

Upon completion of the course, students should have acquired:

- the ability to draw conclusions and make evaluations within the scope of the subject area, taking into account relevant scientific, social, and ethical aspects,
- the ability to identify their own need of further knowledge and training,
- insight into the role of jurisprudence in society, and our responsibility for the way in which it is being used.

#### Content and Form of Instruction

The course centres on administrative law and covers the following components: constitutional law, EU law, general and special administrative law, press and freedom of speech rights, and procurement law. In the area of constitutional law regulations pertaining to public organisation, the relation between the government and the parliament, election of the government, and courts and public authorities are treated. These statutes also regulate the power functions that fall to the parliament and the government, such as the normative power, the administration of the realm, and the power of control. In the area of administrative law, the common regulations for the organisation and forms of activities of the entire public domain are treated along with the procedures of public authorities. The course also covers the special administrative law on some legal areas as examples of the relation between the general and the special administrative law.

Instruction is in the form of lectures, exercises and seminars. A special component involves writing a PM related to one of the legal areas treated in the course which is presented and discussed in mandatory seminars. The purpose of the PM is that students acquire a greater understanding of the jurisprudence treated in the frame civil law, get insight into interpretation of the law and the legal method and develop skills in written and oral presentations.

#### Reading List

See separate document.

#### Examination

Assessment is based on a final written exam and individual PM assignments presented and discussed in mandatory seminars.

#### 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.

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