



Faculty of Arts and Social Science
Law

Syllabus

Commercial Law

Course Code:	RVGA31
Course Title:	Commercial Law <i>Handelsrätt</i>
Credits:	15
Degree Level:	Undergraduate level
Progressive Specialisation:	First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements (G1F)

Major Field of Study:
RVA (Jurisprudence)

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Arts and Social Science 2015-02-20, and is valid from the Autumn semester 2015 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

Introductory commercial law RVGA02 15 ECTS cr or equivalent

Learning Outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

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

- demonstrate knowledge of different central types of agreement,
- give an account of common problems arising in connection with drawing up an agreement,
- demonstrate further knowledge of law on sales and agent law,
- demonstrate further knowledge and ability to discuss issues in claim law and credit law,
- demonstrate further knowledge of real right with emphasis on protecting a client's claims in the event of the joint contracting party's insolvency,
- demonstrate further knowledge of insolvency regulation, corporate law, property crime and accounting laws and regulations, and
- demonstrate ability to discuss issues of insolvency, Swedish corporate law and accounting laws.

Skills and abilities

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

- apply relevant methods of agreement interpretation,
- integrate knowledge and independently analyse and deal with legal phenomena, issues and situations in areas included in the course,
- argue a standpoint in a legally correct manner, orally and in writing,
- demonstrate greater ability to master the judicial method, and
- analyse and discuss complex judicial problems in which different areas of law and other subjects interact.

Judgement and approach

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

- author and orally present a memo in an academic manner,
- demonstrate the assessment ability and approach that are appropriate to the legal rules in the course areas,
- discuss and take a stand on the ethical issues involved in a process,
- demonstrate awareness of the role of jurisprudence in society and of the individual obligation to apply it correctly.

Content

The course has a focus on commercial law. Central areas are claim, credit, insolvency, agreement, agent and association legislations, often in connection with real right issues. Association law centres on corporate law. The course also covers the areas relating to the auditing profession, and provides an outline on different types of property crime.

Instruction is in the form of lectures, hand-in assignments, and seminars. Students also write a memo on a selected legal area covered in the course. The memo is presented and discussed to the class at a mandatory seminar. The memo includes comparative analyses and is expected to reflect student understanding of the legal aspects of professional auditing, of law interpretation and to give opportunity to practise oral and written presentation techniques.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on a memo assignment, presented and discussed at a mandatory seminar and on a final written exam.

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 evaluation is partly based on student views and experiences obtained in accordance with current regulations and partly on other data and documentation. Students will be informed of the result of the evaluation and of any measures to be taken.

Course Certificate

A course certificate will be provided upon request.

Additional information

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.