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Curriculum for the Continuing Education Programme
University Course – European Law
at the Faculty of Law at the University of Innsbruck

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§ 1 Qualification profile

The university course provides training in the law of the European Union (Union law). Graduates have specialised legal knowledge of institutional and substantive Union law and its relationship to international law and the national law of the member states, taking Austria as an example. They have the competence to independently analyse and solve legal problems in Union law.

§ 2 Scope and duration

The university course covers 6 semester hours or 12 ECTS-Credits respectively. One ECTS-Credit corresponds to a workload of 25 hours.

§ 3 Admission

- (1) Persons can be admitted to the university course, who
 - a) have the general university entrance qualification and are professionally involved in European law issues or
 - b) are students in the fields of law, business law, economic law, digitalisation and sustainability, economics and political science or
 - c) graduates of one of the study programmes mentioned in lit. b)
- (2) Persons are selected by the Programme Director on the basis of their professional suitability. If more than 50 people apply, the applicants to be admitted will be selected according to objective criteria, in particular previous education or university learning achievements, motivation, relevant professional experience and a balanced territorial composition of the group of participants.

- (3) Participants who have been admitted to the university course, have paid the course fee and are not degree students at the University of Innsbruck shall be admitted to the University of Innsbruck as non-degree students by the Rectorate.

§ 4 Course type

Courses without continuous performance evaluation:

Lectures (VO) are courses held in lecture format. They introduce the research areas, methods and schools of thought for a given subject.

§ 5 Compulsory modules

The following compulsory modules covering 12 ECTS-Credits are to be passed:

1.	Compulsory Module: Constitution of the European Union	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO EU: Origins, Foundations, Structure and Functionality	0.5	1
b.	VO Union Law: Legal Norms, Legal Effects and Relations with Austrian National Law	0.5	1
c.	VO Fundamental Rights and Legal Protection	0.5	1
d.	VO Union Citizens: Bases as well as Rights and Duties of the EU citizens	0.5	1
	Total	2	4
<p>Learning Outcomes Students are able to understand the development of European integration. They are able to understand the legal foundations, structure and key principles of the EU and provide a sound overview of the EU institutions, legislation in the EU and the implementation of EU law in the member states. Students have a comprehensive basic knowledge of European Union law as a supranational legal system, its legal sources and its legal effects in the member states, illustrated by the example of Austria. Students are able to understand the fundamentals and effects of EU fundamental rights and have basic knowledge of the various legal protection procedures in the judicial system of the Union. Students are able to explain the basic status of EU citizenship and the rights associated with it. In all sub-areas, students can apply and implement the knowledge they have acquired in practice.</p>			
Prerequisite/s: none			

2.	Compulsory Module: Single Market and Competition Law	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Single Market: Principles, Fundamental Freedoms and Legal Harmonisation	1	2
b.	VO Competition Law in the Single Market Part 1: Competition Law for Companies (Prohibition of Cartels, Prohibition of Abuse of Dominant Market Positions, Merger Control)	0.5	1
c.	VO Competition Law in the Single Market Part 2: State Aid, Public Enterprises, Public Services	0.5	1
	Total	2	4

	<p>Learning Outcomes: Students know and understand the essential contents of the Single European Market and can present the four fundamental freedoms (movement of goods, persons, services and capital) as well as legal harmonisation in depth and on a case-by-case basis. They are also familiar with the competition rules flanking the single market, in particular the ban on cartels, the ban on market abuse, merger control, the state aid regime and the special regulations for public companies and companies providing services of general interest. They are able to work independently on complex cases in these areas and identify solutions.</p>
	<p>Prerequisites: none</p>

3.	Compulsory Module: Selected Policies of the European Union	h	ECTS-Credits
a.	VO Economic and Monetary Union, Environmental Policy, Transport	0.5	1
b.	VO Area of Freedom, Security and Justice	0.5	1
c.	VO Common Trade Policy and Cooperation with Third Countries	0.5	1
d.	VO Common Foreign and Security Policy	0.5	1
	Total	2	4
	<p>Learning Outcomes: Students have extensive knowledge of key EU policy areas, including economic and monetary union, environmental policy, transport policy and key areas of the area of freedom, security and justice. Students have a comprehensive basic knowledge of the EU's external action. They know and understand both the common commercial policy and cooperation with third countries as well as the common foreign and security policy including the common defence policy. They are able to independently process and resolve legal issues in these areas.</p>		
	<p>Prerequisite/s: none</p>		

§ 6 Examination regulations

- (1) The performance of modules is assessed by an overall examination of the subject matter of all lectures (module examination).
- (2) Overall examinations are examinations that serve to proof the knowledge and skills in more than one subject or in more than one course of the module.
- (3) The course instructors have to fix and announce the examination method and the evaluation criteria at the start of the university course.

§ 7 Final certificate

Upon successful completion, graduates of the university course are issued with a certificate of completion.

§ 8 Coming into force

This curriculum comes into force on the first day of the month following its publication in the University of Innsbruck Bulletin.

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