UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Media Law and Computer Law

2324-1-F9201P008

Learning objectives

Students will acquire knowledge of media law, internet law and computer crime law.

Contents

The course is divided in two parts: the first part is focused on the relevant principles of constitutional and public law (division of powers, law's sources, judiciary and protection of rights), freedom of speech, media law, internet law, privacy, copyright and advertising. In the second part, the basics of criminal laws are explained, and the laws regarding computer crimes in the Italian criminal law are analysed.

Detailed program

Part One

1. Introduction to public and constitutional law: the Constitution, the division of the powers, the judiciary , the Constitutional Court, national and international protection of human rights.
2. The freedom of speech (art. 21 Const.): constitutional and supranational regulation; restrictions; right to inform, right of criticize, freedom of satire.
   3 The right to privacy.
3. The regulation of the media: the press.
   5 The regulation of the media: the Internet.
4. Hate speech.
5. Advertising law.
6. Copyright law.

Part Two

- Introduction to Italian Criminal Law.
- Definition of computer crime.
- Computer frauds.
- Computer damage.
- Trafficking of computer viruses.
- Unauthorized access to a computer system.
- Trafficking of access codes.

Prerequisites

Basic knowledge of Italian legal language.

Teaching methods

Lectures.

Assessment methods

The exam consists of two written tests, one for each part.
Each test consists in open questions on the subjects illustrated during the course and is evaluated in thirtieths.
The final grade is the average of the grades in each test. In each test students must get at least the grade if 18/30.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

For the first part:
G.E. Vigevani, O. Pollicino, C. Melzi d'Eril, M. Cuniberti, M. Bassini, Diritto dell'informazione e dei media, II edizione, Torino, Giappichelli, 2022.
V. Onida, La Costituzione, Il Mulino, 2017.

For the second part the textbook will be indicated at the beginning of the course.

Sustainable Development Goals

PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS