



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Elements of Public Law

2425-1-E3901N003

Learning objectives

The course aims at understanding the main regulatory elements, which discipline the relationships between citizens and institutions.

In this context, the student will learn to find, interpret and apply legal provisions, with particular reference to the organization of public authorities and protection of fundamental rights, resolving any antinomies and evaluating the constitutional basis the legal system.

The ultimate purpose is to acquire a sure autonomy of judgment regarding the finding and evaluation of the rules to be applied and of the possible legal solutions, necessary to resolve the disputes that have arisen between citizens - individuals and associates - companies, and public administration, also learning to communicate to public and private subjects the problems and the main regulatory elements involved in the specific cases.

Contents

The Constitutions,
State organization and functioning;
The sources of Italian law;
Italian Republic organization;
Fundamental rights protection.

Detailed program

The Constitutions (characteristics, fundamental principles and function, the Italian Constitution; historical reasons and formation process);

State organization and functioning (the relationship between citizens and institutions; forms of state and forms of

government; direct democracy and representative democracy, electoral law);
The sources of Italian law (legal and social norms; interpretation and application of legal rules; the ordering criteria; the sources of law and their formation process);
Italian Republic organization (the Parliament and the legislative process; the Government; the Judiciary; the President of the Republic; the Italian Constitutional Court; the general principles of Public Administration and administrative activity; Regions and local authorities);
Fundamental rights protection (the person in the constitutional legal system, individual freedoms and social rights).

Prerequisites

Adequate skills in logic and general knowledge; reasonable abilities in learning, writing, and oral communication

Teaching methods

19 lessons of 2 hours each delivered in-person.
2 lessons of 2 hours each, delivered at a distance

Assessment methods

During the course, the knowledge acquired in the previous lessons will be monitored by revising the material and posing questions on the topics discussed.

The final exam consists of a single compulsory written test: the written test lasts two hours and includes 6 open questions to assess the student's ability to reflect independently on critical points of the programme and their communication skills in the field of constitutional law.

An optional oral exam is also available for those who obtain at least a pass mark in the written exam.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Direct knowledge of the Italian Constitution and the study of the following handbook are required:
Camerlengo Q. - Furlan F., *Lezioni di diritto costituzionale vivente*, Cedam, Padova, ultima edizione.
Alternatively, one of the following two texts can also be used:
Groppi T. - Simoncini A., *Introduzione allo studio del diritto pubblico e delle sue fonti*, Giappichelli, Torino, ultima edizione
Troilo S., *Lineamenti multimediali del diritto pubblico*, Giappichelli, Torino, ultima edizione

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