UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Corporate Law - A-L

2526-2-A5810014-AL

Learning objectives

By the end of the course, the student is expected to have acquired:

- knowledge and understanding of the fundamental principles of business law, with specific reference to business firms and companies;
- the ability to apply the acquired concepts to cases and to solving legal issues related to business activities and companies;
- independent judgment in interpreting laws and identifying the most appropriate legal solutions;
- communication skills in presenting and discussing legal topics, both in written and oral form;
- the ability to learn independently, including through consultation of legal sources, scholarly literature, and case law.

Contents

The course is focused on the business firm and its legal regime, both in its individual form (from the definition of entrepreneur to the legal framework governing commercial entrepreneurs, with specific coverage of agricultural entrepreneurs, the going-concern, intellectual property and competition) and in its corporate form, with the analysis of the various types of companies — partnerships and corporations — and their financial and organizational structure.

Detailed program

PROGRAM FOR 15-CFU EXAM

- The business firm: definition, types, legal framework.

- The going-concern.
- Intellectual property rights; competition.
- Partnerships: simple partnerships; general partnerships; limited partnerships.
- Companies: joint-stock companies; limited liability companies; listed companies.
- Corporate groups; cooperatives; extraordinary operations.

PROGRAM FOR SUPPLEMENTARY 6-CFU EXAM – STUDENTS FROM LEGAL SCIENCES (BICOCCA)
The 6-CFU supplementary exam program for students who graduated in Legal Sciences at Bicocca is as follows.

- Partnerships.
- Corporate groups.
- Cooperatives.
- Extraordinary operations.

PROGRAM FOR SUPPLEMENTARY 6-CFU EXAM – STUDENTS FROM LEGAL SCIENCES (OTHER UNIVERSITIES)
The 6-CFU supplementary exam program for students who graduated from other universities is as follows.

- Listed companies.
- Corporate groups.
- Cooperatives.
- Extraordinary operations.

To define a supplementary program related to a number of CFUs other than 6, students are advised to contact Professor Semeghini by email.

Prerequisites

Basic elements of private law.

Teaching methods

Classes will be held in person in a traditional lecture format, with interactive discussions on practical cases. Some classes may be held remotely, up to a maximum of 16 hours.
Students may also choose to participate, on a voluntary basis, in a supplementary interactive activity in the form of a moot court competition, based on simulated legal disputes.

Assessment methods

Final oral exam on the topics covered in class and in the textbooks. No mid-term assessments are planned.
Evaluation criteria: clarity of expression, understanding and application of concepts, independent judgment, and appropriate use of language.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

1. AA.VV., Diritto Commerciale, vol. I, M. Cian editor, Giappichelli, latest edition, with the exception of the sections dedicated to: business contracts; cooperation among firms; securities.
2. AA.VV., Diritto Commerciale, vol. III, a cura di M. Cian, Giappichelli, latest edition, with the exception of the section dedicated to private international law profiles.

Alternatively

1. G.F. Campobasso, Diritto commerciale, vol. 1. Diritto delle imprese, Utet, latest edition, up to the chapter dedicated to competition law (included).
2. G.F. Campobasso, Diritto commerciale, vol. 2 Diritto delle societa?, Utet, latest edition, with the exception of the chapter dedicated to SEs.

Sustainable Development Goals

INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE