UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Administrative Law

2627-3-E1401A010

Learning objectives

A) Knowledge and Understanding

The objective of the course is to provide a complete basic knowledge of the discipline of the organization and action of public administrations and to equip students with the tools, including methodological ones, necessary to understand and interpret administrative law in order to apply it to concrete cases, also considering the supranational level and particularly the European one.

B) Applying Knowledge and Understanding

At the end of the course, the student will acquire the knowledge and principles useful for analyzing the different types of administrative acts and for relating specific issues to the general principles of administrative law. The student will also acquire the ability to navigate the legal sources and case law orientations concerning specific cases.

C) Maiking judgements

At the end of the course, the student will acquire appropriate methodological tools to independently examine and critically assess the main issues related to administrative law, learning to navigate the reference rules and identify doctrinal and jurisprudential sources useful for further study. The acquisition of this skill will be encouraged by classroom discussions of empirical cases.

D) Communication Skills

Students will acquire the technical language necessary to express themselves appropriately on administrative law matters, and classroom discussions of empirical cases will be encouraged to enable students to argue their positions clearly.

E) Learning Ability

Students will acquire the ability to independently update themselves on administrative law issues and to find legal norms, case law, and doctrinal contributions useful for an adequate in-depth study.

Contents

The objective of the administrative law course is to study the administrative procedure and the activities of public authorities. Particular attention will be dedicated to the analysis of the problems that have arisen due to the deep transformations presently taking place in administrative law. This approach will likely lead to a new structural concept of administrative law, placing emphasis on the new school of thought which combines elements of both public and private law.

Moreover, this approach will be analyzed in the context of the Italian administrative justice law in order to understand the effectiveness of citizen protection when confronted with administrative power.

Detailed program

Public administration: rights and duties

Administrative agencies

Administrative procedure

Public administration power and subjective legal positions

Administrative act and administrative measure

Public contracts

Liability in public administration

Prerequisites

Appropriate capacity in learning, writing and speaking, together with a general legal knowledge.

Teaching methods

Lectures will be held in lecture-base mode with interactive discussions on practical cases.
Some lectures, up to 2 CFUs, may be be held remotely (video-recording or streaming).

Assessment methods

The assessment of learning will consist of an oral exam, which will be a discussion on the concepts and principles of administrative law, with particular regard to the organization and activities of public administrations. Specific questions will be asked on the topics indicated in the syllabus and covered in the recommended texts and the material provided.
For evaluation purposes, the student’s ability to use the correct terminology, to summarize the topics, and to critically analyze the legal institutions will be taken into account.
There may be optional midterm tests that will consist of written tests including closed questions and open questions.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

M. D'Alberti, Lezioni di diritto amministrativo, Giappichelli, Torino, last edition
AA. VV., Giurisprudenza scelta di diritto amministrativo, Giappichelli, Torino, being published

Sustainable Development Goals