Legal English Spring 2020

Course coordinator:

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ECTS:

The course does not carry ECTS credits.

Entry requirements:

The course is open to students of law (BA jur./cand.jur.) and students of business administration and commercial law (HA (jur.)/cand.merc.(jur.)).

Course aims:

The course aims to develop skills in reading legal texts in English and to activate and expand students' legal English vocabulary.

Course content – central areas:

The course will cover a legal vocabulary of at least 300 words and expressions relating to a variety of legal areas, such as:

- Civil law vs common law
- The court system
- Contract law
- Company law
- Criminal law
- Procedural law (civil and criminal)
- Insolvency law
- Real estate law

Please note that this list is not exhaustive and may be subject to changes.

Literature:

All relevant material will be made available through Blackboard.

Time of teaching:

Spring 2 lessons per week for 10 weeks (20 lessons). The course will start in February.

Teaching methods:

Students will be expected to participate in language learning activities in the form of discussions and presentations.

Course activities may include:

- Giving short presentations in English on legal topics
- Reading and discussion of legal texts
- Vocabulary-building exercises
- Grammar exercises

Examination:

There will be no examination.

However, at the end of the course, there will be a test to assess students' skills. The test is optional. A certificate of attendance will be issued to students who have attended 8 out of 10 sessions. We will not waive the rule.

Enrolment procedure:

The course has a maximum of 25 students selected according to the principle of first come, first served.

Please note: Enrolment is binding. If a student is unable to attend the first session, he or she must inform Sabine Jørgensen at the Student Information Point at studiekontakten@sam.sdu.dk before the course starts. Otherwise, the student's place will be offered to another student.