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SUBJECT CARD

1. Basic information

Subject	Law in Business
Faculty	Faculty of Law
Field of study	International Relations
Specialisation	International Business
PQF level	6 PQF
Level of studies	first-cycle studies
Form of studies	full-time studies
Group of activities	-----
Number of ECTS credits	3
Subject type	specialization
Total number of hours	30h
Didactic cycle	2024/2025 winter
Academic semester	4
Academic year	2
Education profile	general academic
Year of implementation	2025/2026
Language of instruction	English
Person responsible for the subject	dr Iga Bałos-Stoczewska (e-mail: ibalos@uafm.edu.pl)

Semester, number of ECTS credits, class type, number of hours

Semester	Lecture
4	30h 5 ECTS

2. Subject objectives

C1	The aim of the course is to provide students with a general overview of the basic themes and issues in Business Law with particular reference to Polish legal system.
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3. Prerequisites

None.

4. Learning content

W1	Knowledge: Student knows the basic domains covered by business law and most popular forms of conducting business activity. Student knows basic rules governing establishing, registering and conducting business activity and takes into consideration possible different domestic laws governing particular legal act. Student knows basic principles of protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights	EUK6_W6
U1	Skills: Student is able to detect and apply legal rules regarding conducting business activity, starting from the moment of establishment (choosing most effective legal form taking into consideration type of business being conducted) throughout the whole time of being an entrepreneur.	EUK6_U3
K1	Social competence: Student is aware of the consequences of disobeying legal rules which refers also to entrepreneurs reputation and the necessity of obtaining legal advice and that entrepreneurs legal knowledge must be reasonably current.	EUK6_KS4

5. Curriculum content

Lecture (30 h)

Code	Topic blocks (semester: 4)
Wyk1	Introduction to Business Law: What is Business Law? Why an entrepreneur must know laws governing business activity? Why getting professional legal aid is advisable?
Wyk2	Basic notions and their definitions: business activity; entrepreneur; enterprise; business name.
Wyk3	Business organizations and other forms of running a business; auxiliary figures to the entrepreneur.
Wyk4	Registration of entrepreneurs in Poland.
Wyk5	Running a business as a natural person (sole trader) and in a form of Civil Law Partnership.
Wyk6	Partnerships (selected) as a form of business organizations: the general partnership; the professional partnership; the limited partnership.
Wyk7	Continuation of previous lecture
Wyk8	Companies as a form of business organizations: the limited liability company; the joint-stock company.
Wyk9	Introduction to Contract Law.
Wyk10	Continuation of previous lecture
Wyk11	Introduction to Tort Law.
Wyk12	Introduction to Intellectual Property Law: Copyright issues regarding student's activities
Wyk13	Introduction to Intellectual Property Law: trademarks, know-how protection and combating unfair competition.
Wyk14	Introduction to Private International Law.
Wyk15	Court Proceedings in Business Matters and Arbitration.

6. Teaching methods

Lecture	
M1	Case study
M7	Multimedia presentation
M20	Lecture

7. Student workload

Form of student activity	Student workload
Lecture	30h
Including the e-learning method:	0 h
Student's own work	
	95h
Total workload	
Total number of hours for the course	125 h
Total number of ECTS credits	5 ECTS

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Evaluation criteria

Course completion criteria:

- 1 The test is composed of 25 questions. In order to pass the exam, a score above 50% of the best result scored in a given group taking the exam is a must.
- 2 Test and case study constitute one exam and are not graded separately.
- 3 Depending on the best score, the grades-points relationship is subject to change in favor of the Students.

Lectures (Final exam / Final pass)	
Grade 5:	24-25
Grade 4,5:	21-23
Grade 4:	18-20
Grade 3,5:	15-17
Grade 3:	13-14

9. Reading materials

Course reading materials

1. R. Lewandowski — Fundamentals of Polish Business Law, Warszawa, 2019, C.H.Beck
2. L. Jones — Introduction to Business Law, Oxford, 2017, Oxford University Press (Selected parts)

Supplementary materials

1. M.Siems, D. Cabrellii — Comparative Company Law: A Case-Based Approach, London, 2018, Hart Publishing

Lecturer's publications

1. I. Bałos, The Real Problems with Patents for AI-Related Inventions and Human Rights, w: Artificial Intelligence and Human Rights, M. Załucki, L. Miraut Martin (red.), Dykinson 2021, ISBN 978-84-1377-817-4
2. I.Bałos, AI Patents: Is There a Need to Rethink Patent Law?, w: Patents as an Incentive for Innovation, Edited by Rafał Sikorski, Żaneta Zemła-Pacud, Kluwer Law International B.V. 2021, ISBN 978-94-035-2413-9, ss. 216-233

10. Information about academic teachers

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