



**30 ECTS-credit
Programme
in English**

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The Faculty of Law of the University of Girona offers a 30 ECTS-credit programme in English, specifically designed for incoming students.

The courses included in the programme are:

Introduction to Political Science (6 ECTS credits)

Politics. Sovereignty and political power. Division of powers: executive, legislative, judicial. State and institutions. Constitution, legality and legitimacy. Representative democracy and direct democracy; non democratic regimes. Territorial distribution of power. Elections and electoral systems. Public administration and public policies. Political parties. Social movements and interest groups. Citizenship. Nation and nationalism. Values and ideologies. Governance and governability. Civil society, political culture and cleavages. Political communication, public opinion and the media.

European Legal Tradition I (3 ECTS credits)

European legal tradition beyond the field of private law. Roman criminal law. Outline of Roman criminal prosecution and of Roman criminal courts and procedure between the Twelve Tables and the later Roman Empire. Private crimes (delicta). Public crimes (crimina).

Law and Economics (3 ECTS credits)

General framework. Positive analysis. Normative analysis. The concept of efficiency. The Coase Theorem. Private law: Contracts. Benefits of exchange. Enforcing legal agreements. Tort law. Reducing the costs of accidents. Optimal deterrence. Risk aversion and insurance. Public law: Criminal law. What acts should be made criminal offenses? The decision to commit a crime and the definition of optimal punishment. Different kinds of criminal response. The economics of politics: Public choice theory. Elections, representation and democratic legitimacy.

Globalization and Politics (3 ECTS credits)

The course analyses how the process of globalization-globalization has produced relevant changes in four major dimensions of the political world: 1. The form of parties and groups and their behaviour (politics); 2. The type of institutions and forms of democratic governance (polity); 3. Public policies that provide services and goods (policy); and 4. Ideas on the central themes of public life: liberty-equality-justice. The course will approach the topic of globalization through the study of specific cases, some local and others international.

English for Social Sciences (3 ECTS credits)

This course aims to develop the necessary English skills for successful academic study and professional progress in the areas of law, criminology and political science. Students will work to improve their speaking, writing, reading and listening competency through interactive activities and material specifically related to the social sciences. There will be a strong focus on the vocabulary and grammatical structures necessary for oral and written academic communication, such as presentations and papers.

Contemporary Discussions in Criminology (3 ECTS credits)

The course deals with the work of several of the most important criminologists, delving into some of their contributions to enrich our understanding of contemporary problems. To do so, we start by watching an interview with them and examine the matter further with a discussion about it and a text.

Community Sanctions and Measures (3 ECTS credits)

The meaning of community sanctions and measures in Europe. Punishment in the community vis-a-vis imprisonment in European jurisdictions. Probation. Drug and alcohol treatment. Suspended sentences. Community service/unpaid work orders. Electronic monitoring. Criminological discussions: alternatives to prison or instruments to widen the net of penal control? Rehabilitation vs control of offenders: the role of risk management. Professional cultures in the criminal justice system and the role of judges and probation/parole officers.

Consumer Contracts (3 ECTS credits)

EU consumer law. Consumer protection as an EU policy. EU consumer policy and consumer rights. Consumer concepts. Market conditions. Free competition and fair trading. Consumer protection and competition law. Unfair commercial practices. Formation of consumer contracts. Unfair terms in consumer contracts. Sale of consumer goods. Conformity. Remedies for lack of conformity. Consumer credit. Information requirements. Substantive protection rules (responsible lending). Travel law. Transport, package travel, time sharing.

Introduction to Comparative Law (3 ECTS credits)

Comparative law. Concept, history and functions of comparative law. Comparative methodology. Comparing legal systems. The theory of legal systems. Civil law legal systems: French and German systems as examples. The English common law and its extension in the world. The so-called mixed legal systems. Other global traditions: China, Japan and Muslim law. Sources and methods compared. Sources and application of law: the role of the judge and the position of the written law in comparative perspective. Comparative approach to procedural rules and practices. European private law. Comparative law and the quest for European private law.

Come to Girona to study with us!

We are a modern Law School with lots of interesting activities just for you, nice weather throughout the year and a perfect location: close to both the coast and the mountains and only 38 minutes away from Barcelona.

The city of Girona and its surroundings

The province of Girona is located in the northeast of Catalonia (Spain). With its Mediterranean climate, it's a place where we can find a microcosm in a small land; from the beautiful Costa Brava to the Pyrenees.

Its capital city is 100 km from the centre of Barcelona and half an hour from the French border.

The city of Girona is a very active cultural and commercial centre and a tourist attraction of first order. It is welcoming, small and dynamic, very well connected and with multiple attractions, such as the cathedral, the Tapestry of Creation or the Jewish quarter. Girona seduces you with its history and with a present that has been able to combine the legacy of traditions with the most demanding features of modernity, without neglecting the valuable natural environment.

The 100 km separating Girona from Barcelona are covered in 38 minutes at high speed. In little more than three and a half hours, the distance between Girona and Madrid is covered and in little more than six hours, Paris is reached. The city also has an airport that connects Girona with the main European cities with low-cost flights.

For further information

Website of the Faculty: <https://www.udg.edu/en/fd>

Study at the UdG: <https://www.udg.edu/en/estudia/> and

<https://www.udg.edu/ca/internacional/Would-you-like-to-come>

Further questions?

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