29012 - Local, Urban and Environmental Law

1.General information

1.1.Aims of the course

1.2.Context and importance of this course in the degree

1.3.Recommendations to take this course

2.Learning goals

2.1.Competences

2.2.Learning goals

2.3.Importance of learning goals

3.Assessment (1st and 2nd call)

3.1.Assessment tasks (description of tasks, marking system and assessment criteria)

4.Methodology, learning tasks, syllabus and resources

4.1.Methodological overview

The methodology followed in this course is oriented towards the achievement of the learning objectives. It is based on the following strategies:

1. To make the student aware of the learning process, and demonstrate they are able to continue learning on their own after the class has ended.
2. To train in social and ethical values.
3. To train in quality, promoting active and participative methods.

A wide range of teaching and learning tasks are implemented, such as theory and practice sessions and case studies.

4.2.Learning tasks

This course is organized as follows:

- **Theory sessions** (90 hours).Teachers explain the fundamental principles of the subject matter.
- **Practice sessions** (30 hours).Work with electronic resources, reading of judgments and papers.
- **Case studies**
- **Autonomous work and study** (160 hours)**.** Reading and preparation of texts, implementing theoretical knowledge to practice sessions.
- **Tutorials** (12 hours).
- **Assessment tasks** (8 hours).

4.3.Syllabus

This course will address the following topics:

SECTION I. Environmental Law

- **Topic 1.** Introduction to Environmental Law. Historic development and principles of European Union.
- **Topic 2.** Access to information, public participation in decision-making and access to justice in environmental matters. Environmental liability with regard to the prevention and remedying of environmental damage.
- **Topic 3.** Assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment. Assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment. Assessment of ambient air quality.
- **Topic 4**. Financial support mechanisms as a means of promoting sustainable development. Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS). EU Ecolabel.
- **Topic 5.** Environmental administrative offences and criminal offences.

SECTION II. Urban development planning Law

- **Topic 6.** Introduction to planning and building Law.
- **Topic 7**. Urban planning.
- **Topic 8.** Landed property.
- **Topic 9.** The implementation of urban planning.
- **Topic 10.** The building and the equipments.
- **Topic 11.** Protection of planning and building

SECTION III. Local Government Law

- **Topic 12.** History and current events at local level. Local self-government in the Spanish Constitution.
- **Topic 13.** Local legal system.
- **Topic 14.** Land and population of the municipality.
- **Topic 15.** Municipal system of organization. Municipal competencies.
- **Topic 16.** Spanish province. System of organization. Competencies. Programmes in cooperation with the municipalities.
- **Topic 17.** Other local entities.
- **Topic 18.** Functioning of the local government.
- **Topic 19.** Public sector contracts and public goods in local level.
- **Topic 20.** Interadministrative relationships. Monitoring and supervising role by other levels of government and by courts.

4.4.Course planning and calendar

Further information concerning the timetable, classroom, office hours, assessment dates and other details regarding this course will be provided on the first day of class or please refer to the Faculty of Business and Public Management website.

4.5.Bibliography and recommended resources