

## 10. SRH INTERNATIONAL WEEK 2019: Course description

<b>Title of Course:</b>	<b>Rule of law in the European Integration Policy</b>
<b>Language:</b>	English
<b>Course Type:</b>	Interactive
<b>Work Load:</b>	20 hours (including exams on Friday)
<b>Lecturer Position Home University Email</b>	<b>Stepan Burak</b> Assistant at the Chair of European Law Ivan Franko National University of Lviv - Ukraine <a href="mailto:stepanburak@gmail.com">stepanburak@gmail.com</a>
<b>Course description/ Contents:</b>	This course is orientated to young people, who want to know "What is rule of law?", "Why the rule of law is so important for the EU and states' and 'Who wants to become EU members?" This course focuses on the rule of law as one of the political and legal criteria for the EU accession. Students will be acquainted with the basic principles of the EU. Also will be explained that ensuring total supremacy of law European Union guarantees its precedence so that national laws and regulations do not contradict or defeat standards of European Union law. The course considers the concept of direct force of law implying that both courts and governmental authorities and citizens of the member states are obliged to follow laws and regulations adopted by European Union authorities without ratifying them additionally in national legal frameworks or recognizing them otherwise by the member states. Besides this, this course will help students to understand the importance of respecting the rule of law for states that wish to become members of the EU.
<b>Learning outcome:</b>	It is expected that after the course the students will be able: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To develop the critical thinking</li> <li>• To develop the ability to analyze the core concepts and reflect on their importance</li> <li>• To improve writing skills with regard to the composition of essays</li> <li>• To develop the presentation skills</li> </ul> Also at the end of this course, participants will have in-depth knowledge about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of the rule of law in global and European governance</li> <li>• The role of the rule of law in establishing an area of freedom, security and justice</li> <li>• The EU's tools designed to safeguard the rule of law in internal and external policies.</li> <li>• The independence of the judiciary in Europe</li> <li>• The main obligations for candidate countries that want to join the EU</li> </ul>
<b>Examination:</b>	To make a short presentation of research on the theme - "Could _____ (name of state) join the EU?" or, when your state is already an EU member – "What does it mean rule of law in your state?"
<b>4 questions to be prepared by the students prior to arrival:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the EU?</li> <li>2. Who are the members of EU?</li> <li>3. Why do the states want to be EU members?</li> <li>4. What does it mean "rule of law" up to you?</li> </ol>
<b>Essential reading:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. CHARTER OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF THE EUROPEAN UNION <a href="http://www.europarl.europa.eu/charter/pdf/text_en.pdf">http://www.europarl.europa.eu/charter/pdf/text_en.pdf</a></li> <li>2. CONSOLIDATED VERSION OF THE TREATY ON EUROPEAN UNION <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:12016M/TXT">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:12016M/TXT</a></li> <li>3. Consolidated version of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:12016E/TXT">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:12016E/TXT</a></li> <li>4. Craig P.P. EU law : Text, cases and material / P.P.Craig, de Búrca G. // Oxford University Press, 2015 [i.e. 2002]. – cxlv, 1241 p. (handout)</li> <li>5. Steiner J. EU Law / Josephine Steine, Lorna Woods and Christian Twigg. – 13th ed. – Flesner : Oxford University Press, , 2017. – 695 p (handout)</li> </ol>

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