



Bachelor's Degree Program in Law

• Course Descriptions

LAW 101 Principles of Law **3(3, 0, 0)**

This course aims to introduce students to the general theory and basics of law in terms of its definition, origins, characteristics, bases, branches, sources, interpretation, and sphere of application. It also acquaints students with the general theory of right concerning its definition, types, persons, objects, sources, uses, and the means of its protection.

LAW 111 Principles of Jurisprudence **3(3, 0, 0)**

This course aims to provide students with a thorough understanding of Islamic jurisprudence, including its historical context, key concepts, and objectives. It covers the definition and significance of Islamic law, the goals of Shari'ah legislation, and the various sources from which it derives, such as the Holy Quran, the Sunna (Prophetic traditions), Ijmaa (consensus of scholars), Ijtihaad (independent reasoning), Qiyaas (analogical reasoning), free benefits, custom, and Sahabi fatwa (opinions of the Prophet's companions).

LAW 112 English Legal Terminology **3(3, 0, 0)**

The purpose of this course is to familiarize students with English legal terminology by examining various legal topics in the English language. Through this approach, students will encounter fundamental legal terms, phrases, and expressions, which will enhance their ability to comprehend English legal texts and articulate their legal concepts effectively in the target language.

LAW 113 Personal Status Law **3(3, 0, 0)**

This course aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of the organization of the family in Islam, particularly in accordance with Saudi personal status law. It seeks to guide students through the entire process, from engagement to the marriage contract, while outlining the rights and obligations of married couples. The course will also focus on the conditions for the validity of the marriage contract, the rights of children regarding familial affiliation, nursing, and upbringing, as well as the principles underlying the dissolution of marriage and the methods for its conclusion.

LAW 116 Administrative Law **3(3, 0, 0)**

This course aims to provide an in-depth understanding of the administrative institutions of the state at local, regional, and national levels. To ensure a comprehensive grasp of administrative law, the course delves into three key topics: (1) administrative decisions, (2) civil service, and (3) public funds in Saudi Arabia. Through detailed discussions and analysis, students will gain valuable insights into the functioning and regulation of these institutions within the framework of Saudi administrative law.

LAW 115 Sources of Obligation**3(3, 0, 0)***Prerequisite: LAW 101*

This course is designed to introduce students to the concepts of natural and civil obligations. It will provide an understanding of the definition of obligation, personal rights, and rights in rem, as well as the voluntary and involuntary sources of obligations, including contracts, individual actions, harmful acts, beneficial acts, and legal provisions.

LAW 121 Constitutional Law**3(3, 0, 0)**

The course aims to introduce students to the Constitution, the basic legislation of any legal system. To this end, the course sheds light on the meaning of the "Constitution" and its legal importance; explains the methods of its preparation and issuance; and illustrates the nature of the rules it contains, their legal value, and the methods of abolishing and amending them. The course also explains the types of constitutions and methods of monitoring the constitutionality of laws. Moreover, the course outlines the specificity of constitutional rules in the Kingdom and their coverage of both legal and illegal aspects. It also presents the constitutional regulations in force in the Kingdom, most notably the basic law of governance, the Allegiance Council system, the Cabinet system, the Shura Council system, and the regions system.

LAW 123 Criminology and Penology**3(3, 0, 0)**

This course focuses on the study of criminology and penology. The first section deals with the definition of criminal science, history and relation to the penal code, individual and social factors of criminal behavior, and the different theories developed on this subject. The second section deals with the science and development of the science of punishment, along with penal schools, penalties for freedom, bases of punitive treatment, penal institutions, and precautionary measures. The course also explores the methods used to treat delinquents for the purpose of rehabilitation, such as release of a policeman, suspension of execution, and subsequent care for the released people.

LAW 125 International Public Law**3(3, 0, 0)**

The course aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of criminology and penology, focusing on the meaning, scope, and nature of these fields. In the first section, students will explore the definition of criminal science, its historical development, and its relationship with the penal code, as well as the individual and social factors influencing criminal behavior and various theoretical frameworks that have emerged. The second section explores the science of punishment, examining penal schools, alternative penalties, and the foundations of punitive treatment, penal institutions, and precautionary measures. Additionally, the course addresses rehabilitation strategies for delinquents, including conditional releases, suspensions of execution, and post-release support, aimed at facilitating successful reintegration into society.

LAW 200 Governance System in Saudi Arabia**3(3, 0, 0)**

The course aims to provide an in-depth understanding of the governance system of Saudi Arabia, emphasizing its foundations in Islamic law (Shariah) and the Basic Law of Governance. Students will explore the roles of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches, along with the function of the Shura Council. The principles of accountability and transparency will also be examined. Additionally, the course will highlight the implications

of Vision 2030 on legal reforms and the modernization of governance, offering valuable insights into the country's legal and administrative frameworks.

LAW 202 Commercial Law and Negotiable Instruments **3(3, 0, 0)**

This course aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of the fundamental principles of commercial law. It explores the origins and development of commercial law, the nature of commercial acts, and the characteristics of merchants, including the necessary conditions and commercial capacity. Additionally, the course examines elements of a store and its protection, the significance of commercial books and registries, and the intricacies of commercial contracts.

LAW 204 Provisions of Obligation **3(3, 0, 0)**

Prerequisite: LAW 115

The course aims to introduce students to the concepts of natural obligation, distinguishing between civil and natural obligations, and exploring voluntary and forced execution of obligations. Additionally, it explores the legal measures for protecting personal rights and the extinction of obligations.

LAW 211 Financial Markets Law **3(3, 0, 0)**

Prerequisite: LAW 101

This course aims to explore the relationship between law, financial principles, and the foundations of financial markets, offering students a comprehensive understanding of the complex dynamics between finance and law in contemporary markets. Key topics include the structure and purpose of financial markets, the theories of financial and capital markets that influence legal frameworks, the role of intermediation in financial markets, and the challenges posed by global market regulation. Through this examination, students will gain valuable insights into the evolving liabilities within financial markets and their impact on individuals and institutions.

LAW 212 Provisions of Property and Civil Contracts **3(3, 0, 0)**

Prerequisite: LAW 115

This course is designed to familiarize students with key contractual agreements, including sale and lease contracts. We will focus on their definitions, characteristics, essential elements, legal implications, and how they can be terminated. Additionally, we will explore relevant aspects of Landlord and Tenant law.

LAW 223 Administrative Contracts **3(3, 0, 0)**

Prerequisite: LAW 116

This course aims to introduce students to the definitions, basic rules, characteristics, types, and examples of administrative contracts. It also illustrates the legal effects of these contracts upon their parties and others. Special concentration will be devoted to the Financial Balance of the Contract, Exceptional Circumstances Theory, the effect of the Act of Prince and the state of necessity.

LAW 225 Evidence and Enforcement Law **3(3, 0, 0)**

Prerequisite: LAW 115

This course aims to explore various methods of proof, encompassing both formal and substantive rules of evidence, including topics such as writing, testimony, oaths,

declarations, presumptions, expert opinions, and inspections. Additionally, it addresses the law of enforcement, focusing on the roles of enforcement departments, competent officers, procedural requirements, legal instruments, and the mechanisms for mandatory enforcement against debtor properties and individuals.

LAW 229 Labor and Social Security Law

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 115

The course introduces students to the Labor and Social Security laws. The first section is devoted to the study of labor law in terms of sources and individual and collective work contracts. The second part, on the other hand, tackles various aspects of the Social Security Law, including optional and obligatory memberships, job-related risks (work casualties and job-related diseases), the unemployment allowance and the pension system.

LAW 311 General Penal Code

3(3, 0, 0)

The aim of this course is to explore the general theory of crime and penalty, covering the definition, functions, and relationship of criminal law with other branches of law. It will examine the key elements and types of crimes, as well as the main types of penalties, the purpose of punishment, and the circumstances under which punishment can be increased or decreased.

LAW 316 Zakat and Taxation System

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 101

This course aims to introduce students to two important interrelated topics of Public Financial Law, viz., Zakat and taxes. The first section sheds light on the concept of Zakat, its characteristics, objectives, zakat estimation and the assets subject to zakat in accordance with the Saudi Law. The second section, on the other hand, explores the tax concept, types of taxes, determination of taxable assets, tax collection procedures, tax disputes and tax dispute settlement.

LAW 318 Legal Research Methods

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 101

This course is designed to equip students with a solid foundation in the fundamentals of legal research methods. The course aims to provide students with a thorough and nuanced understanding of the theoretical, methodological, ethical, and procedural aspects involved in designing and executing a legal research project relevant to their analytical pursuits. Students will gain proficiency in diverse data collection techniques and learn how to effectively organize and analyze both quantitative and qualitative information related to legal and criminological phenomena.

LAW 319 Provisions of Intellectual Property

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 202

This course aims to explore the legal principles and frameworks governing intellectual property (IP) rights. It covers the core aspects of IP law, including copyright, trademarks, patents, trade secrets, and industrial designs. Students will examine the legal provisions for acquiring, protecting, and enforcing intellectual property rights at both national and international levels. The course also addresses contemporary challenges such as digital piracy, the impact of technology on IP, and the balance between innovation and public

interest. Through case studies and legal analysis, students will develop a thorough understanding of intellectual property laws and their practical application in various legal and business contexts. This course aims to equip students with the knowledge and skills required to navigate the complex field of intellectual property in today's globalized world.

LAW 320 Commercial Contracts and Banking Transactions

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 202

This course aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of the core principles of commercial law, focusing on the regulations that govern various types of commercial papers, including cheques and promissory notes, as well as significant bank transactions such as loans, letters of credit, and money transfers. Students will explore the legal effects and complexities associated with these financial instruments and transactions, equipping them with the essential knowledge required to navigate the intricacies of commercial law in real-world scenarios involving financial institutions and commercial practices.

LAW 321 Bankruptcy and Company Law

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 202

This course aims to explore the general theory of companies, including various types such as shareholding, ordinary, and mixed companies. It also examines the legal framework surrounding bankruptcy, including the prerequisites for issuing a bankruptcy decision and the legal repercussions that follow such a decision. Additionally, the course emphasizes the legal regulations pertaining to factual conciliation.

LAW 322 International Private Law

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 101

This course aims at acquainting students with the private international law, its topics and sources, the definition of nationality and its elements, the methods of acquisition and loss of nationality in the Saudi system, the legal status of foreigners, law conflict rules, international jurisdiction, and enforcement of foreign judgements.

Law 330 Cybercrime Law

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 101

This course aims to provide an in-depth exploration of cybercrime laws and regulations, highlighting the legal frameworks that govern offenses in the digital realm. It covers various types of cybercrimes such as hacking, identity theft, online fraud, cyberbullying, and intellectual property violations. Students will engage with fundamental legal principles surrounding cybersecurity, digital evidence, and data protection, with a focus on international agreements, regional legislation, and relevant local laws. The course will also address ethical considerations, the roles of law enforcement agencies and judicial systems, and the complexities of combating cybercrime in a rapidly advancing technological environment.

LAW 331 Insurance Law

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 101

This course aims to provide an in-depth study of the legal principles and frameworks governing insurance contracts and the insurance industry. It covers the essential elements of insurance law, including the formation, interpretation, and enforcement of insurance contracts, and the rights and obligations of insurers and policyholders. Topics include types

of insurance (e.g., life, property, liability, and health), risk management, regulatory frameworks, and dispute resolution mechanisms. The course also examines the role of insurance in mitigating financial risks, the impact of fraud on the industry, and the ethical considerations surrounding insurance practices.

LAW 332 Maritime and Aviation Law

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 202

This course offers a thorough exploration of key concepts in maritime and air transport, focusing on essential aspects such as ships and their operations, the intricacies of maritime transport contracts, and the legal principles surrounding maritime liability and insurance. Students will gain insights into the responsibilities and rights of parties involved in maritime trade and how these are governed by international conventions and national laws.

LAW 335 Judicial System in Saudi Arabia

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 101

This course is designed to provide students with a comprehensive introduction to the judicial system of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. It will cover various aspects, including the types of lawsuits that can be filed, the procedures involved in initiating a lawsuit, and the overall litigation process. Additionally, students will learn about judicial rulings and the various avenues available for appealing those rulings. By the end of the course, participants will have a thorough understanding of how the Saudi judicial system operates and the steps involved in navigating legal disputes within it.

LAW 336 Tourism Law

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 101

This course aims to provide an overview of the legal principles and regulations that govern the tourism industry. It examines the legal frameworks relevant to tourism operations, such as contracts, liabilities, consumer rights, intellectual property, and environmental protection. Students will explore laws specific to hospitality, travel agencies, tour operators, and transportation, and the impact of international agreements and local regulations. Through case studies, the course will highlight legal challenges and best practices for effectively managing tourism-related disputes.

LAW 411 Special Penal Code

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 311

The course focuses on specific crimes regulated under Saudi Law. It mainly tackles the following list of crimes: bribing a public servant, bribery by public servants, crimes ancillary to bribery; currency /stamps forgery and counterfeit crimes; embezzlement of public money; dud check crimes, and money laundering. The course examines criminal acts under the Capital Market Law, drug-related crimes, smuggling, and cyber-crimes as well.

LAW 412 Provisions of Real and Personal Guarantee

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 116

This course examines the principles, functions, and procedures of administrative judiciary systems, with a focus on resolving disputes between individuals and public authorities. It explores the legal framework governing administrative courts, the concept of administrative decisions, and the principles of legality, separation of powers, and judicial review. Students will analyze case studies on administrative litigation, including issues of public interest,

abuse of power, and procedural fairness. By the end of the course, students will gain a comprehensive understanding of administrative judiciary's role in upholding accountability, justice, and the rule of law in public administration.

LAW 413 Provisions of Real and Personal Guarantee

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 115

This course aims to examine real property as collateral for the repayment of borrowed funds and other obligations. It will explore the contractual relationship between debtors and creditors, focusing on security agreements such as mortgages, deeds of trust, and other equitable substitutes. Additionally, the course will address the rights and remedies available to parties in cases of non-performance under both general law and the specific context of the Saudi legal system. Furthermore, it will explore the concept of debt guaranty, including both general and private guaranties.

LAW 414 Penal Procedural Law

3(3, 0, 0)

The course aims to explore the legal framework surrounding specific crimes as defined by Islamic Sharia and the regulatory provisions in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. It will focus on the classification of crimes based on jurisprudential categories (such as limits, retribution, and restrictions) and legal considerations (including individual crimes and financial offenses).

LAW 415 Alternative Methods of Dispute Resolution

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 101

This course aims at providing students with a practical understanding of Alternative Methods of Dispute Resolution through firsthand interaction with various structured approaches to resolving disputes. Weekly lectures focus on explaining the underlying theory and rationale of these methods, followed by role-play tutorials where students actively participate in negotiations and mediations to apply their learning in realistic scenarios.

LAW 416 Islamic Procedural Law

3(3, 0, 0)

Prerequisite: LAW 101

This course aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of Islamic Procedural Law by examining its intersection with other legal subjects. It will cover the significance and classification of criminal, civil, and personal judicial law procedures, as well as the previous, accompanying, and follow-up procedures involved in legal processes. Additionally, the course will explore the principles of Islamic legal execution, offering insights into the procedural aspects that govern these areas of law.

LAW 432 Special Topics in Law

3(3, 0, 0)

Topics vary according to student and faculty interests

LAW 434 Filed Experience

6(0, 0, 6)

Prerequisite: Passing 100 CH

This course provides students with practical, hands-on experience in the legal field through internships or supervised placements in law firms, courts, government agencies, or legal departments. Students will apply their academic knowledge to real-world legal scenarios, develop professional skills such as legal research, drafting, and client interaction, and gain insight into the daily operations of legal practice. Through mentorship and reflective

learning, students will enhance their understanding of legal ethics, procedural rules, and the role of law in society. This course bridges the gap between theory and practice, preparing students for their future legal careers.