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| ***Course title*** | **Legal History** |
| ***Lecturer*** | Dr hab. Piotr Szymaniec, prof. PWSZ w Wałbrzychu |
| ***Hours*** | 15 |
| ***ECTS*** | 3 |
| ***Semester*** | fall/spring |
| ***Content*** | 1) Legacy of the ancient legal systems: Greeek and Roman law;  2) Barbarian law codes and Roman law in early Middle Ages. Features of early medieval law;  3) Canon law and the reception of Roman law in Middle Ages and early modern times;  4) The development and features of the common law legal systems;  5) The age of codifications: legal development in the 18th- and 19th-century Europe ;  6) Law in the 20th-century authoritarian and totalitarian regimes: similarities and differences (USSR, Nazi Germany, Mussolini's Germany, Franco's Spain, Central Europe after 1945);  7) Towards convergence? European legal systems at the turn of the 20th and 21st centuries;  8) The outline of Polish legal history;  9) Distinct features of Central-European legal heritage. |
| ***Prerequisites*** | General English B1 – B2 |
| ***Learning outcomes*** | Knowledge: The student  1. knows the evolution of main legal institutions of Western legal culture;  2. knows the influence of ideas and ideology on the emergence and development of various legal and political systems.  Skills: The student  1. interprets changes taking place in legal systems;  2. is able to explain the relationship between the development of law and changes taking place in other social systems.  Competences: The student is prepared to the practical application of the basic values underlying Western legal cultures |
| ***Selected literature*** | Mandatory:  Antonio Padoa-Schioppa, *A History of Law in Europe: From the Early Middle Ages to the Twentieth Century*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2017.  Peter Stein, *Roman Law in European History*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1999 (second ed. 2003).  Additional:  Harold J. Berman, *Law and Revolution: The Formation of the Western Legal Tradition*, 2nd ed., Cambridge, Massachusetts: Harvard University Press, 1995.  Daniel R. Coquillette, *The Anglo-American Legal Heritage: Introductory Materials*, 2nd ed. North Carolina 2004.  Rafael Domingo, The Law of Property in Ancient Roman Law (June 12, 2017). Available at SSRN: https://ssrn.com/abstract=2984869, http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.2984869  Reiner Zimmermann, “Codification. The Civilian Experience Reconsidered on the Eve of a Common European Sales Law,” https://www.unisob.na.it/universita/facolta/giurisprudenza/age/zimmermann.pdf.  Hannah Arendt, *Authority in the Twentieth Century*, “The Review of Politics,” 1956, Vol. 18, No. 4.  Carl J. Friedrich, Zbigniew Brzezinski, *Totalitarian Dictatorship and Autocracy*, Cambridge, Massachusetts*:* Harvard University Press, 1956.  Vladimir Gsovski, “The Soviet Concept of Law,” *Fordham Law Review*, 1938, Vol. VII, No. 1. |
| ***Teaching tools/methods*** | Lecture |
| ***Form of examination*** | Oral examination |