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Course Schedule Information

Course Code	881187
Semester	Fall and Winter Term
Day and Period	Wed5
Course Name (Japanese)	コモンロー入門
Course Name	Introduction to Common Law
Capacity	0
Room	Graduate School of Law and Graduate School of Economics/Lecture Building Room2
Course Numbering Code	88INES9U100
Required/Optional	
Type of Class	Lecture Subject
Credits	2.0
Student Year	1,2,3,4,5,6
Instructor	Elbalti Beligh
Course of Media Class	Not Applicable

※About Course of Media Class

"Course of Media Class" are classes in which more than half of the classes are held in places other than classrooms by making advanced use of various media.

Undergraduate students can include up to 60 credits in media class course as requirements for graduation.

Even if this is not the case, we may hold classes using the media.

Detailed Syllabus Information

Course Subtitle	Introduction to Common Law	
Language of the Course	English	
Learning Methods	Listening and watching face-to-face/online class: Listening and watching a lecture, video, or demonstration, face-to-face or via online (e.g., attending a face-to-face lecture, watching an on-demand video) Reading: Reading books and academic papers (e.g., summarizing an academic paper, reading information on a website) Discussion: Learning through question-and-answer interactions and exchanges of opinions among students and between students and the instructor (e.g., pair/group discussion, online chat, one-on-one guidance for writing an academic paper)	
Course Objectives	Common law is one of the most important and influential legal systems in the world. Originally developed in England, it has spread throughout the world to become the legal system of many leading countries such as the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, etc. The main objective of this course is to explain the core issues of common law in general and to explain how common law works and operates.	
Learning Goals	1	Upon completing this course, students are expected to become more familiar with the peculiarities of the common law system, its fundamental notions and concepts, and how it operates. Especially, students 1. Understand the characteristics of the common law legal system
	2	Identify the main representatives of the common law legal tradition and their specificities
	3	To be able to illustrate how the common law legal tradition differs from other legal traditions (notably the civil law legal tradition)

Requirements, Prerequisites	There are no requisites for this course except interest and willing to learn. However, good English language skills are necessary to be able to follow the lectures and take part in the discussions.	
Attendance and Student Conduct Policy	Attendance is mandatory unless excused. Details will be provided in class.	
Class Plan		
1st	Title:Introduction and Guidance	
	General overview of the Course and Class policy and rules explanation	
	Instructor :	
2nd	Independent Study Outside of Class : N/A	
	Title:The Common Law: Meanings & Characteristics	
	Understand the common law as a legal family	
3rd	Instructor :	
	Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class	
	Title:Distinctive Characteristics of the Common Law	
4th	Understand the distinctive features of the common law as a legal system	
	Instructor :	
	Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class	
5th	Title:Historical Elements	
	Understand how the common law emerged and developed from historical perspective	
	Instructor :	
6th	Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class	
	Title:Sources of Law and Legal Reasoning	
	Under the the sources of law in Common law and the specificities of the Common law legal reasoning	
7th	Instructor :	
	Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class	
	Title:The Judiciary and Actors of Law	
8th	Understand the court structure and the judicial organisation in common law jurisdictions	
	Instructor :	
	Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class	
9th	Title:Contract Law (1)	
	Understand the characteristic features of contracts in common law	
	Instructor :	
10th	Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class	
	Title:Contract Law (2)	
	Understand the characteristic features of contracts in common law	
11th	Instructor :	
	Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class	
	Title:Tort Law (1)	
12th	Understand the characteristic features of tort in common law	
	Instructor :	
	Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class	

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	10th	Title:Tort Law (2)				
		Understand the characteristic features of tort in common law				
		Instructor :				
		Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class				
	11th	Title:Property Law (1)				
		Understand the characteristic features of property in common law				
		Instructor :				
		Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class				
	12th	Title:Property Law (2)				
		Understand the characteristic features of property in common law				
		Instructor :				
		Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class				
	13th	Title:Choice of Laws				
		Understand the characteristic features of choice of law in common law				
		Instructor :				
		Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class				
	14th	Title:International Civil Procedure				
		Understand the characteristic features of international civil procedure in common law				
		Instructor :				
Independent Study Outside of Class : relevant reading materials that will be explained in class						
15th	Title:General Conclusion and Instructions for the Term Exam					
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	Instructor :					
	Independent Study Outside of Class : N/A					
Textbooks	None in particular. Necessary materials will be provided by the lecturer.					
Reference	to be indicated in class					
Grading Policy *Hover the mouse over the number of a learning goal to view the full text of it.	Evaluation Methods	Report/paper	Learning engagement			
	Learning Goals1	○	○			
	Learning Goals2	○	○			
	Learning Goals3	○	○			
	Allocation of Marks	70%	30%			
Additional Information on Grading	Final report 70%, Class participation (including regular attendance, participation and contributions to the discussions, attitudes during class, etc.) 30%.					
Reasonable Accommodation	• If you need reasonable accommodation to participate in this class due to disability (including intractable disease and chronic condition), please contact the office for students with disabilities (e.g., Educational Affairs Section, Academic Affairs Section, Student Affairs Section) at your school/faculty or graduate school, or the Disability Advisory and Support Service Office of the Health and Counseling Center. • For more information, please visit the following website or contact the Disability Advisory and Support Service Office of the Health and Counseling Center. Website : https://acs.hacc.osaka-u.ac.jp					

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Special Note	Special needs and necessities of the students will be taken into consideration during the lectures. Students are encouraged to discuss with the instructor when necessary.
Office Hours	Reservation by email at any time
Course Conducted by Instructors with Practical Experience	

Instructor(s)

Instructor Name	Name (hiragana)	Affiliation, Title, Course	Office	Extension	E-mail
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Cautions for Students

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