

General Information			
Course name	Asylum law	ECTS Credits	5
		Semester	winter/summer
Aims			
<p>The aim of the course is to introduce the asylum law in conditions of International public law and Slovak legal system. The first precondition is to understand main features of status of refugee and need to protect persons with this status. Special attention will be paid to the Convention and Protocol relating to the status of refugees and the main rights and duties of refugees, and contracting parties as well. From the terminology point of view, we need to make distinction of the refugee and migrant, as well as between many reasons which force persons to flee the country of origin. Furthermore, in order to grant the refugee status to the person, there has to be a nexus between the reasons of the persecution and need to flee the country of origin in spite of missing governmental protection in the country of origin. Once the person apply for the asylum, in the conditions of Slovak republic, two forms of protection may be granted, in the form of asylum and subsidiary protection. The second one is the form of protection based on asylum policy of European Union which aims to unify the asylum procedures of EU member states. At the end of the course, student should be able to understand asylum procedures and to solve simple tasks within asylum law.</p>			
Content			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Status of refugee 2. Refugee v. migrant 3. Persecution and the term of „safe country“ 4. Principle of non-refoulment 5. Forms of international protection 6. International organisations protecting the refugees 7. Asylum policy of the European union. 8. Asylum law of the Slovak republic 			
Assessment Methods and Criteria			
<p>The final grade is based on in-class participation, written home assignment and oral presentation of the assignment. Written assignment shall be based on individual research on specific task based on information discussed during the course. Rules of academic honesty apply to the written work. Written assignment may be returned for revision if it will not meet the demanded criteria. The student shall not be admitted to the oral assignment without presenting written assignments in due time.</p>			

Grading Scale (in %):

0 - 49 points (0% - 61,25%)	= FX
50 - 54 points (62,5% - 67,5%)	= E
55 - 59 points ((68,75% - 72,75%)	= D
60 - 65 points (75% - 81,25%)	= C
66 - 72 points (82,5% - 90%)	= B
73 - 80 points (91,25% - 100%)	= A

Grading System:

The University recognises the following six degrees for the evaluation of the study results:

- a) A – excellent (excellent results) (numerical value 1)
- b) B – very good (above average results) (1.5)
- c) C – good (average results) (2)
- d) D – satisfactory (acceptable results) (2.5)
- e) E – sufficient (results meet the minimum criteria) (3)
- f) FX – failed (requires further work) (4)

Bibliography

provided by the lecturer at the meetings (consultations)

