

Module description: Anglo- American Law		
Module Code	w.BA.XX.3AALaw-BL.XX	
ECTS Credits	3	
Language of Instruction/Examination	English	
Module Description	This course provides an introduction to U.S. common law legal principles with a special focus on U.S. Constitutional Law. The course will cover foundational concepts of U.S. law, the structure of the U.S. government, the role of the courts, and the functioning of the U.S. Supreme Court. Students will explore key constitutional doctrines such as separation of powers, federalism, civil rights, and liberties, using landmark Supreme Court cases, with a particular emphasis on recent or ongoing decisions. Through this course, students will develop critical thinking skills and a comparative perspective on civil law and common law systems.	
Organizational Unit	Abteilung Business Law	
Module Coordinator	Nyasa Lisa Steger	
Program and Specialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Law</li> </ul>	
Legal Framework	Academic Regulations BSc dated 29.01.2009, for the degree programs in Business Administration, International Management, Business Information Technology, Business Law, Business Law and Applied Law, first adopted on 12.05.2009	
Module Category	Module Type Compulsory	Program Phase Main Study Period
Prerequisite Knowledge	Legal English 1 and 2, Legal English Advanced 1	
Contribution to Program Learning Objectives (by the concerned Module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professional Competence</li> <li>• Methodological Competence</li> <li>• Social Competence</li> <li>• Self-Competence</li> </ul>	
Contribution to Program Learning Objectives	<p><b>Professional Competence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowing and Understanding Content of Theoretical and Practical Relevance</li> <li>• Apply, Analyze, and Synthesize Content of Theoretical and Practical Relevance</li> <li>• Evaluate Content of Theoretical and Practical Relevance</li> </ul> <p><b>Methodological Competence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Problem-Solving &amp; Critical Thinking</li> <li>• Work Methods, Techniques, and Procedures</li> <li>• Information Literacy</li> <li>• Creativity &amp; Innovation</li> </ul> <p><b>Social Competence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Written Communication</li> <li>• Oral Communication</li> <li>• Intercultural Insight &amp; Ability to Change Perspective</li> </ul> <p><b>Self-Competence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-Management &amp; Self-Reflection</li> <li>• Ethical &amp; Social Responsibility</li> <li>• Learning &amp; Change</li> </ul>	

## Module description: Anglo- American Law

Module Learning Objectives	Students... <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• are able to understand the history, structure, and characteristics of U.S. law.</li><li>• gain an overview of key areas of U.S. law and are able to categorize the different sources of law.</li><li>• are able to present and describe important cases and legal principles in U.S. law orally and in writing.</li><li>• are able to analyze, evaluate, and apply U.S. law to predict the result in new cases.</li><li>• are able to present oral arguments based on U.S. law on behalf of a fictional client.</li><li>• are able to take part actively in discussions and debates about U.S. law.</li><li>• are able to think and write critically about U.S. law.</li><li>• are able to understand the basic principles of U.S. Constitutional Law and the role of the U.S. Supreme Court.</li></ul>																																						
Module Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction to the U.S. legal system and to common law legal reasoning with a focus on U.S. Constitutional law; an in-depth examination of leading cases involving constitutional, statutory, and common law with a focus on cases currently or recently before the U.S. Supreme Court.</li></ul>																																						
Links to other modules	This module is linked to the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• w.BA.XX.2LEA2-BL.XX</li></ul>																																						
Digital Learning Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Teaching Videos</li><li>• Teaching Materials</li><li>• Practice and Application Exercises (with Key)</li><li>• Multiple Choice Tests</li></ul>																																						
Methods of Instruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Interactive Instruction</li><li>• Case Studies</li><li>• Exercises</li><li>• Problem-Oriented Teaching</li><li>• Lecture</li><li>• Legal debates in teams</li><li>• Oral responses to "reflection questions"</li></ul>		Social Settings Used: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Individual Work</li></ul>																																				
Type of Instruction	<table><tr><td></td><td>Classroom Instruction</td><td>Guided Self-Study</td><td colspan="2">Autonomous Self-Study</td></tr><tr><td>Large Class</td><td>38 h</td><td>52 h</td><td colspan="2"></td></tr><tr><td>Small Class</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td colspan="2"></td></tr><tr><td>Group Instruction</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td colspan="2"></td></tr><tr><td>Practical Work</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td colspan="2"></td></tr><tr><td>Seminar</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td colspan="2"></td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>38 h</td><td>52 h</td><td colspan="2">0 h</td></tr></table>					Classroom Instruction	Guided Self-Study	Autonomous Self-Study		Large Class	38 h	52 h			Small Class	-	-			Group Instruction	-	-			Practical Work	-	-			Seminar	-	-			Total	38 h	52 h	0 h	
	Classroom Instruction	Guided Self-Study	Autonomous Self-Study																																				
Large Class	38 h	52 h																																					
Small Class	-	-																																					
Group Instruction	-	-																																					
Practical Work	-	-																																					
Seminar	-	-																																					
Total	38 h	52 h	0 h																																				
Performance Assessment	<table><tr><td colspan="2">End-of-module exam</td><td>Form</td><td>Length (min.)</td><td>Weighting</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Written exam</td><td>open book</td><td>60</td><td>100.00</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Permitted Resources</td><td>No calculator</td><td colspan="2">With dictionary</td></tr></table> <table><tr><td>Others</td><td>Assessment</td><td>Format</td><td>Length (min.)</td><td>Weighting</td></tr><tr><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td></tr></table>				End-of-module exam		Form	Length (min.)	Weighting	Written exam		open book	60	100.00	Permitted Resources		No calculator	With dictionary		Others	Assessment	Format	Length (min.)	Weighting	-	-	-	-	-										
End-of-module exam		Form	Length (min.)	Weighting																																			
Written exam		open book	60	100.00																																			
Permitted Resources		No calculator	With dictionary																																				
Others	Assessment	Format	Length (min.)	Weighting																																			
-	-	-	-	-																																			
Classroom Attendance Requirement	Other																																						
Compulsory Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A course package will be provided online and updated each week.</li></ul>																																						
Recommended Reading																																							

## Module description: Anglo- American Law

### Comments

Reading assignments and class preparation exercises will be uploaded to Moodle each week in advance of the next class. Mandatory reading will be clearly marked as such. A class outline with an emphasis on important points or cases for each week will be uploaded to Moodle after each session.