

Valid for 2021.HS

<b>Module Name: Business Law</b>			
Module Code	w.BA.XX.2WR.XX		
Module Description	The Business Law module gives students an overview of the system and the key concepts of private law, especially issues of contract law. Students learn to categorize and apply related legal questions and issues accurately. They get to know the most important norms and principles of Swiss obligations and contract law. In particular, they explore the key provisions in the Swiss Civil Code and the Swiss Code of Obligations with regard to the formation and performance of contracts in a legal context. The module enables students to apply this knowledge methodically and correctly to practical cases. Working on and resolving cases is a key component of this module. In addition to learning about the theory, students will also do a case-related assignment involving the content of this module. Practical relevance is of particular importance to enable students to make practical use of the material in their everyday (professional) life, such as in dealing with sales and employment contracts. Students receive an overview of important contract types, of special contract law, as well as of labor law and means to secure rights and obligations.		
Program and Specialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Business Administration - Accounting, Controlling, Auditing</li> <li>§ Business Administration - Banking and Finance</li> <li>§ Business Administration - Economics and Politics</li> <li>§ Business Administration - General Management</li> <li>§ Business Administration - Risk and Insurance</li> </ul>		
Legal Framework	Academic Regulations BSc dated 29.01.2009, Appendix to the Academic Regulations for the degree programs in Business Administration, Business Information Technology, and Business Law, first adopted on 12.05.2009		
Module Category	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;"><b>Module Type:</b> Compulsory</td> <td style="width: 50%;"><b>Program Phase:</b> First-Year Studies</td> </tr> </table>	<b>Module Type:</b> Compulsory	<b>Program Phase:</b> First-Year Studies
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ECTS	6		
Organizational Unit	W Abteilung Business Law		
Module Coordinator	Marcel Griesinger (grii)		
Deputy Module Coordinator	-		
Prerequisite Knowledge	none		
Contribution to Program Learning Goals (Affected by 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Professional Competence <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> </li> <li>Methodological Competence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Problem-Solving &amp; Critical Thinking</li> <li>§ Scientific Methodology</li> <li>§ Work Methods, Techniques, and Procedures</li> <li>§ Information Literacy</li> <li>§ Creativity &amp; Innovation</li> </ul> </li> <li>Social Competence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Written Communication</li> <li>§ Oral Communication</li> </ul> </li> <li>Self-Competence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Self-Management &amp; Self-Reflection</li> <li>§ Learning &amp; Change</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
Module Learning Objectives	<p>Students...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ are able to explain and apply the fundamental terminology of private law.</li> <li>§ are able to name and apply the fundamental principles and key norms of contract law.</li> <li>§ are able to explain, and apply, the principles of legal methodology and understand their practical significance in solving legal cases.</li> <li>§ are able to understand business-related facts and circumstances of legal practice with regard to issues of private law and relate them to the applicable legal provisions.</li> <li>§ are able to apply the key principles and standards of personal and contract law to legal case constellations and solve related cases independently based on the principles they have learned.</li> </ul>		

	§ are able to analyze important problems using the sale of goods law, mandate law, and the law of contracts for work and services and propose effective solutions. § are able to determine the appropriate preservation measure for the facts of a case and provide reasons. § are able to use their methodological know-how to analyze the norms of various areas of private law effectively with regard to their factual elements. § are able to use convincing arguments to defend their case solutions using applicable legal provisions. § are able to justify their legal arguments convincingly in verbal discussions and communicate clearly. § are able to deal with legal cases of private law autonomously and develop effective solutions. § are able to deal with issues of contract law using a practically oriented approach.		
Module Content	§ Foundations: the structure of the legal system, hierarchy of legal sources, key terminology of private law, overview of business-related legal areas; overview of the central provisions of the Swiss Civil Code and the Swiss Code of Obligations in connection with contract formation § Methodology of solving cases: claim method, norm analysis § General contract law: contract formation, contract defects, contract performance, performance disruptions, expiration of bonds § Specific contract law: purchase agreement, contract for work and services, work order, characteristics of different contract types § Security measures: pledge rights (chattels and property liens), retention rights, retention of title, penalty, pledge, guarantee		
Links to other modules	-		
Methods of Instruction	§ Lecture § Interactive Instruction § Exercises § Literature Review § Discussion	<b>Social Settings Used:</b> Individual Work	
Digital Resources	§ Practice and Application Exercises (with Key) § Multiple Choice Tests § Videos on selected learning units are available online.		
Type of Instruction	<b>Classroom Instruction</b>	<b>Guided Self-Study</b>	<b>Autonomous Self-Study</b>
Large Class	56 h	28 h	
Small Class	-	-	
Group Instruction	-	-	
Practical Work	-	-	
Seminar	-	-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>56 h</b>	<b>28 h</b>	<b>96 h</b>
Performance Assessment			
<b>End-of-module exam</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Length (min.)</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Written exam	Closed book	90	100,00 %
<b>Permitted Resources</b>	No calculator	With dictionary	
<b>Others</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Length (min.)</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
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Classroom Attendance Requirement	Mandatory Attendance: None		
Language of Instruction/Examination	German		
Compulsory Reading	§ Böhringer, P., Müller, R., Münch, P. & Waltenspühl, A. (2020). Prinzipien des Vertragsrechts. 4th edition. Zürich/Basel/Genf: Schulthess Juristische Medien AG. ISBN 978-3-7255-7098-0. § Vgl. die Dokumente auf Moodle zur Einführung, zum Arbeitsvertrag sowie zu den Sicherungsmitteln.		
Recommended Reading	-		
Comments	The module description is based on the assumption that in the fall semester 2021 classes and exams will both take place on campus. Changes affecting the module or type of performance assessment are however possible at short notice if the situation changes due to the pandemic.		