

Valid for 2023.HS

Module Name: Legal Methodology		
Module Code	w.BA.XX.3JurM-BL.XX	
Module Description	Students deal with the question: What is law? They become familiar with how the legal system is structured and organized. They get to know the sources and the tools used to apply the law. And they engage with the special way that legal professionals approach a problem.	
Program and Specialization	Business Law	
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: First-Year Studies
ECTS	3	
Organizational Unit	W Abteilung Business Law	
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Prerequisite Knowledge	-	
Contribution to Program Learning Goals (Affected by Module)	§ Professional Competence § Methodological Competence § Social Competence	
Contribution to Program Learning Objectives	Professional Competence § Knowing and Understanding Content of Theoretical and Practical Relevance § Apply, Analyze, and Synthesize Content of Theoretical and Practical Relevance § Evaluate Content of Theoretical and Practical Relevance Methodological Competence § Problem-Solving & Critical Thinking § Scientific Methodology § Work Methods, Techniques, and Procedures § Information Literacy Social Competence § Written Communication § Oral Communication	
Module Learning Objectives	Students... § are able to explain the purpose, functions, and dimensions of the law. § are able to distinguish between legal entities, legislators, and legal practitioners. § are able to describe how the legal system is structured and organized and name specific areas of the law. § are able to explain the concept and characteristics of laws and legal documents and examine basic examples. § are able to explain the concept and characteristics of court decisions and examine basic examples. § are able to explain the concept and special characteristics of customary law, doctrine, and other sources and aids for the application of law and examine basic examples. § are able to describe the elements of legal practice and illustrate them using simple examples. § understand how laws are interpreted and apply the concept to simple examples. § understand how private declarations of intent are interpreted and apply the concept to simple examples. § understand the concept of filling judicial gaps and apply it to simple examples.	
Module Content	§ Purpose and functions of the law § Concept and dimensions of the law § Legal practitioners and legislators § Structure of the legal system § Structuring criteria § Legal fields § Laws and legal documents § Judicature § Other legal sources and aids § Elements of legal practice § Interpreting laws § Interpreting private declarations of intent § Gap-filling	

Links to other modules	The content of this module is linked to the following modules:		
	w.BA.XX.3Ba-BL.XX		
	w.BA.XX.3LeMe-BL.XX		
w.BA.XX.3WPro-BL.XX			
Methods of Instruction	§ Interactive Instruction § Application Tasks § Case Studies § Exercises § Literature Review		Social Settings Used: Individual Work
Digital Resources	§ Reader § Legal databases		
Type of Instruction	Classroom Instruction	Guided Self-Study	Autonomous Self-Study
Large Class	-	-	
Small Class	-	-	
Group Instruction	28 h	42 h	
Practical Work	-	-	
Seminar	-	-	
Total	28 h	42 h	20 h
Performance Assessment			
End-of-module exam	Form	Length (min.)	Weighting
Written exam	Closed book	60	100,00 %
Permitted Resources	No calculator	With dictionary	
Others	Assessment	Length (min.)	Weighting
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Classroom Attendance Requirement	Mandatory Attendance: None		
Language of Instruction/Examination	German		
Compulsory Reading	Lecturer's script on the foundations of legal methodology		
Recommended Reading	-		
Comments	-		