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Law of Obligations + Exercises session with casus

8.00 credits

60.0 h + 9.0 h

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Teacher(s)	Debroux Laurent (compensates Jadoul Pierre) ;Germain Jean-François (compensates Jadoul Pierre) ;Jadoul Pierre ;				
Language :	French				
Place of the course	Bruxelles Saint-Louis				
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to : Law of obligations is a fundamental discipline, which will serve as a basis for many subsequent courses, among which: contract law, labour law, commercial law				
	The students should therefore understand the concepts and the legal regime that they fall under.				
	The notions studied during the lecture, which proceeds through definitions and illustrations, will be used during the exercise sessions, in which the students will be confronted with a more inductive approach, starting from a casus.				
	By the end of the course, the students will be able to apply the studied concepts to concrete situations				
Evaluation methods	Except if sanitary rules related to Covid-19 do not allow for it, the final assessment is an oral examination in person. It will assess the knowledge of the subject matter contained in the syllabus, as well as discussed in class, including the commented jurisprudential decisions.				
	During the entire examination, the students may and should refer to the legal and statutory texts. The articles of the Code may be preceded by a cross and underlined or highlighted, using different colours if appropriate.				
	Below each article, a reference to another article or other legislation closely related to the article in question may be indicated, but only the official title of the law and the number of the relevant article may appear in such annotation. Any other terms are excluded reproduced. A fortiori, terms mentioned in the comments provided during the course are excluded.				
	Bookmarks (or "post-it") may be used, but they may only mention the official title and date of the legislation concerned.ATTENTION: any annotation, even a single word, that exceeds the limits indicated here will be considered as a fraud. The student's mark will then be reduced to 0/20 (cf. articles 107 et seq. of the Academic Regulations and Procedures).				
	Each student will be asked to hand in a written report that will evaluate the originality and the quality of the intellectual approach, the accurate use and the good referencing of sources and the compliance to constraints. The use of generative artificial intelligence (AI) (e.g. ChatGPT) is totally forbidden. This means that any student who uses generative AI to draft his or her work (including the statement of the issue ("état de la question") is committing an irregularity within the meaning of art. 107 of the Academic Regulations and Procedures (non-personal production by the student as part of an assessment).				
	The final grade given to the student for this course will be based on: the examination grade (75% of the final grade) and the exercise sessions grade (25% of the final grade).				

Teaching methods	This course is a lecture, nevertheless the subject matter can be illustrated by the analysis of documents and/ or jurisprudential decisions.Exercises are scheduled in group sessions allowing the teacher to translate theory into practical situations. The practical work takes the form of five one-and-a-half hour sessions and one two-hour session organised in the first semester of the academic year. Active student participation is also expected. The practical work is intended to enable students to develop their ability to express themselves orally on a legal subject, in discussions with the assistant and among fellow students. This active participation (which is graded) requires adequate preparation of the announced sessions as well as case statements.
	Each student is required to solve a case study by writing a statement of the issue ("état de la question") and a final paper. Each student will also be required to make an oral presentation of the case study. The precise instructions are given in the syllabus for the practical work.
	Attendance at the practical sessions - as well as the handing in of the actual work that the practical work involves - is compulsory (cf. art. 17, § 1, of the Regulations of the Faculty of Law).
	Article 17, § 3, of the said Regulations states that "Justification for absences or failure to hand in the actual work () must be provided at the latest on the day following the end of the impediment, failing which it is inadmissible. It is the subject of a notification to the faculty administration in accordance with article 103 of the RGEE". According to the latter provision (paragraph 1), the student "shall hand over to the faculty administration the original of any supporting documents, i.e. a medical certificate or any other document whose evidential value is left to the sovereign appreciation of the jury chairman. However, when this day is a Saturday, a Sunday, 27 September or a public holiday, the day on which the documents are to be handed in is postponed to the next day that is not one of these days.
	In terms of consequences, unjustified absence from more than one session or unjustified failure to hand in any genuine written work within the time allowed is penalised by an overall mark of 0A/20. Any disputes in this respect will be lodged by means of a subsequent appeal against the decision of the jury adopted during the deliberation for the session concerned (cf. art. 155 et seq. of the RGEE)
Content	The main subject matter can be found in Books 1, 5 and 8 of the (new) Civil Code, which will be adopted in the 2019-2024 legislature. After defining the concept of
	obligation in the legal sense (introduction), the sources of obligations as well as the general regulation of obligations are dealt with: the modalities of obligations,
	obligations with multiple objects or subjects, the transfer of obligations, the performance and non-performance of obligations, the measures to safeguard the creditor's rights and the causes for the extinction of obligations. Finally, the proof of the obligation is examined.
	Le syllabus renvoie à différents ouvrages, articles ou notes « pour en savoir plus ».
Bibliography	Ces références peuvent être complétées par :- M. COIPEL, <i>Eléments de théorie générale des contrats</i> , Bruxelles Ed. Story Scientia, 1999.
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	 T. DERVAL, R. JAFFERALI et B. KOHL, La réforme du droit des obligations – Présentation générale des livres 16 et 5 du nouveau Code civil, Coll. Conférence du Jeune Barreau de Bruxelles, Bruxelles, Larcier, 2023.
Other infos	Didactic supports proposed to the students: - The syllabus (to be completed by personal notes)
	- The collection of decisions of jurisprudence (some having been commented in class)
	 The legal and statutory texts (It is imperative to use regularly and frequently the legal and statutory texts in order to be familiar with their handling) The syllabus of the exercise sessions.
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Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)							
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes			
Bachelor in Law (shift schedule)	DRDB1BA	8		٩			