# COURSE DETAIL

| INTRODUCTION TO LAW |
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| **Country**<br>Netherlands |
| **Host Institution**<br>Utrecht University |
| **Program(s)**<br>Utrecht University |
| **UCEAP Course Level**<br>Upper Division |
| **UCEAP Subject Area(s)**<br>Political Science Legal Studies |
| **UCEAP Course Number**<br>101 |
| **UCEAP Course Suffix** |
| **UCEAP Official Title**<br>INTRODUCTION TO LAW |
| **UCEAP Transcript Title**<br>INTRO TO LAW |
| **UCEAP Quarter Units**<br>6.00 |
| **UCEAP Semester Units**<br>4.00 |

**Course Description**
The quality of the legal system has an impact on the opportunities for individuals and firms to successfully undertake economic activities. In this course students get to know the underlying principles of legal systems and the way this system creates the conditions for the economy to flourish. Central values in western societies are freedom, equality, and trust. Freedom and equality are the foundations of the ideal of justice, and leave room for the idea of free markets as well as for intervention in markets by government agencies. Trust is a basic condition for economic transactions and derives from the possibilities to enforce the honoring of property rights, agreements, and promises. The course gives an introduction to the main principles of law and legal thinking. Topics discussed include sources of law, constitutional law, international law, criminal law, private law, and procedural law. With each topic, the course covers relevant statutory law and case law.

**Language(s) of Instruction**
English

**Host Institution Course Number**
ECB1IL

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**Host Institution Course Details**

**Host Institution Campus**
Law, Economics and Governance

**Host Institution Faculty**

**Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**
Law

**Course Last Reviewed**

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