

COURSE DETAIL

COMMON FOUNDATIONS OF LAW IN EUROPE

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Maastricht University - University College Maastricht

Program(s)

University College Maastricht

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History

UCEAP Course Number

123

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

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UCEAP Transcript Title

FOUNDATIONS LAW EUR

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

The course starts with a discussion of Roman Law. The so-called *Corpus Iuris Civilis* will be used as the point of departure since most of what we know about Roman Law derives from this compilation of legal materials that was made in the 6th century AD on the orders of the Byzantine emperor Justinian. While Roman law was adapted to cope with the changing society, the idea was maintained that it was essentially the same law that had been part of the early Roman way of life. The course also concentrates on the different approaches to the law that existed and still exist in Anglo-American jurisdictions. It explains the legal differences today between continental Europe and the British Isles. Additionally, some elements of American legal history are studied. The course will conclude with a study of a selection of similarities and differences that exist in today's European legal landscape.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

HUM1010

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Campus

University College Maastricht

Host Institution Faculty

Humanities

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

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