

# COURSE DETAIL

## ENERGY LAW

**Country**

Norway

**Host Institution**

University of Oslo

**Program(s)**

University of Oslo

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Legal Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

132

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

ENERGY LAW

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

ENERGY LAW

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

8.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

5.30

## **Course Description**

The course provides an in-depth study of the regulation of the energy sector from an international, European, and Norwegian perspective. Energy law covers the regulation of and access to energy resources, energy markets - both physical and financial - and the regulation of energy use. For the purpose of this course, energy law is understood in the broad sense of the term, and both oil, gas and electricity are covered. The four stages of production, transport, supply and consumption are included, with a focus on upstream and midstream activities. The course is structured in four parts. Part I provides an introduction to the general legal concepts and principles applicable to energy activities, such as: sovereignty over natural resources, jurisdiction delimitation, ownership and exploitation models, and resources management mechanisms. Part II reviews the key components of the Norwegian model for the regulation of upstream oil and gas activities, including the licensing system, the Joint Operation Agreement, the coordination of petroleum activities at field level through unitisation and joint development, the regime for upstream gas transportation and third party access. It also covers the environmental regulation of petroleum activities. Part III is dedicated to the regulation of electricity generation (hydropower and other sources, onshore and offshore) and transmission/distribution in Norway as well as connection to the European market. This part includes a review of the applicable European Union (EU) energy market legislation and its implementation in Norway through the European Economic Area (EEA) Agreement. Part IV deals with energy trading, both upstream gas sales and wholesale electricity trading, with a review of relevant EU/EEA competition rules, internal energy market legislation and commercial practices in Norway and on the Nordic power market. Supply and energy consumption aspects are covered to a more limited extent.

## **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

## **Host Institution Course Number**

JUR1412

**Host Institution Course Title**

ENERGY LAW

**Host Institution Course Details**

<https://www.uio.no/studier/emner/jus/jus/JUR1412/index.html>

**Host Institution Campus****Host Institution Faculty**

Law

**Host Institution Degree**

Bachelor

**Host Institution Department**

Law

**Course Last Reviewed**

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