CONSTITUTIONAL AND EUROPEAN LAW (20627)

Academic year: 1 Term: 2

Degree awarded: Degree in Labour Relations

Number of ECTS credits: 6

Student hours: 150

Syllabus

Constitutional and European Law forms part of the Degree in Labour Relations and therefore falls within the Social Sciences field of knowledge.

The course is taught in the second term of the first year of the degree and aims to introduce students to the fundamental aspects of Spanish constitutional law and European law.

The teaching is divided into two parts. The first part is devoted to the study of constitutional law, with seven full-group lectures and two seminar sessions per subgroup. The major issues of constitutional law are presented in this part; after a brief introduction to constitutionalism in a broad sense, the drawing up of the Spanish Constitution is studied, followed by an analysis of the main principles of the constitutional system, the division of powers, constitutional justice, the sources of law and fundamental rights.

The second part is devoted to European law and also consists of seven full-group lectures and two seminar sessions per subgroup. This section looks at the general features of European law and European Union law in particular. The process of European integration is introduced and its evolution and main characteristics are discussed, and the institutional, jurisdictional and regulatory structure of the European Union as it is today is explained, along with the specific rules for the relationships between European Union law and the internal laws of member states.

This course requires students to read and understand legal texts and to develop the ability to apply theoretical notions to real world cases.

TOPIC 1. Constitution and constitutionalism

TOPIC 2. Constitutional justice

TOPIC 3. Constitutional principles of the state

TOPIC 4. State powers

TOPIC 5. The sources of law

TOPIC 6. The fundamental rights in the constitution

TOPIC 7. The creation and evolution of European integration

TOPIC 8. The European Union

TOPIC 9. Institutions

TOPIC 10. The sources of European Union law

TOPIC 11. Community freedoms and European social law

TOPIC 12. The application of European Union law and the relationships between this and the internal laws of member states