

Name of university, Name of faculty: Trnava University
Faculty of Law

INFORMATION SHEET OF THE SUBJECT

Code: YNPPm313

Name: Practical Cases from Social Security Law

Cover: Department of labor law and social security law

Type of educational activity: Lecture, Practise

Scope of educational activity (in hours):

Weekly: 0/2

For term of study: LS 60/,24

Number of credits: 3

Recommended semester: ST

Study grade: Master

Method of educational activity: Combined

Recommended semester

Study programme

1.year ST

Law (YDŠMgr-PR)
Law (YEŠMgr-PR-23)

Underlie subjects:

Conditions for passing the course:

Method of evaluation: Completion by taking an examination

Continuous evaluation:

Final evaluation: Final examination: a written exam based on a solution of cases.

Evaluation: A: 100%-91%, B: 90%-81%, C: 80%-71%, D: 70%-66%, E: 65%-61%, FX: 60%-0.

Finished: By exam.

Learning outcomes:

By completing the course, the student will verify the knowledge gained from the teaching of social security law and use them in solving specific practical problems (including current controversial problems under the guidance of the teacher). After studying the case studies from several areas of social security, the student is able to prepare a case study analysis, that means, legally interpret the case problem (consisting of several legal-logical steps linked to expertise knowledge), create a deeper legal analysis, including the formulation of evaluation judgment to solve the identified problem (assignment). They are also able to argumentatively sustain the proposed solution and can apply court decisions. During the practical classes, on examples focused on the calculation of insurance premiums and benefits, the student must inevitably apply basic mathematical operations. The student is able to justify the proposed solution on the example of interpretably conflictive situations. Additionally, in a discussion led by a teacher, the student is able to justify their proposed solution based on legal-theoretical knowledge of the principles, system organization and financing of social security systems. The graduate of this course is able to independently process administrative acts and individual (judicial) submissions in the field of application as well as protection of legal claims arising from social security legal relationships.

Schedule of subject:

1. Fundamentals, principles and systemic links applied in social security systems and applied in court decisions and the principle of social justice vs. principle of equality.
2. Personal scope of the insurance system and participation in its subsystems (compulsory and voluntary insurance, state policyholders, non-fulfilment of notification and contribution obligations) in the application framework.
3. Insurance relationships and determination of the contribution obligation in special situations, specific case studies on the establishment and termination of insurance in special situations, a self-employed student or pensioner and case studies on the concurrence of several gainful activities.
4. Sicknes insurance benefit relations, especially conditions and specifics of receiving maternity, paternity and sickness benefits in the form of case studies.
5. Pension insurance benefit relationships (facts determining the amount of old-age pension, including gainful activity after its granting (specific calculation), concurrence of pension benefits, granting of remainders' pensions).
6. Accident insurance benefit relationships and unemployment benefits (specifically procedural and medical procedures for detecting accidents at work and occupational diseases and their benefit coverage, shortcomings in legislation).
7. Contributions from the state social support system addressed in specific situations in which the (surrogate) parent of the child may find themselves and which require help and support in caring for the child, concurrence of contributions and signs of child neglect-redefinition).
8. Assessment of material need and provision of benefit in material need through practical studies (assessment of material need of household members who are (not) actively trying to get out of this state or cannot do so).
9. Assessment of the social consequences of severe disability and reliance on the assistance of another person for the purpose of providing selected social services (procedural and substantive requirements leading to the optional granting of compensatory allowances for a person with severe disability, especially financial benefit for personal assistance; care allowance).
10. Examples of procedural procedure in social insurance benefit proceedings (process of claiming benefits, how to proceed in case of non-award of benefits, proof and acquisition of evidence and their evaluation in proceedings, decision, costs of proceedings and appeal and administrative action, if any).
11. Analysis of the decision-making activity of the Constitutional Court of the Slovak Republic in the field of social security with a consequence on the development of social security legislation (especially guarantees of entitlement to pension benefits in pension savings systems, disposing of the saved amount, procedural and contractual procedure of applying the pension benefit to the pension savings systems, the residual unpaid amount of the lifetime pension).

Recommended reading:

Basic recommended literature:

Cases published in Moodle (slides).

Relevant national legislation, especially:

Act no. 461/2003 Coll. on Social Insurance.

Act no. 43/2004 Coll. on Old-age Pension Savings.

Act no. 650/2004 Coll. on Additional Pension Savings.

Act no. 580/2004 Coll. on Health Insurance and Amending Act no. 95/2002 Coll. on Insurance and Amending Certain Laws.
Act no. 447/2008 Coll. on Cash Benefits for Compensation of Severe Disability and on Amendment of Certain Acts.
Act no. 417/2013 Coll. on Assistance in Material Need.
Other related standards and regulations.
Findings of the Constitutional Court of the Slovak Republic in the field of social security.

Other recommended literature:

MATLÁK, J. et al. Právo sociálneho zabezpečenia. 2nd ed. Plzeň: Vydavatelství a nakladatelství Aleš Čeněk, 2012. 358 p. ISBN 978-80-7380-403-9.

LACKO, M. Sociálnopoisťovacie právne vzťahy. 1st ed. Praha: Leges, 2015. 191 p. ISBN 978-80-7502-107-6.

ZÁVADSKÁ, E. - KOKODIČOVÁ, K. Judikatura vo veciach sociálnych - I. diel a II. diel. 1st ed. Bratislava: Wolters Kluwer, 2017. ISBN 978-80-8168-626-9.

Language requirements: Slovak

Notes:

Student's workload: 75 hours

Combined study (Seminars, Consultations): 24 hours

Individual study of the published documents via the Moodle system (individual study): 30 hours

Study for the preparation of the (previously assigned) cases: 21 hours

Course evaluation:

Assessed students in total: 2

A	B	C	D	E	FX
0%	0%	50%	0%	50%	0%

Lecturers:

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