

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

INFORMATION SHEET OF THE SUBJECT

Code: ZPFd112		Name: Fundamentals of Methodology and Methodics of Research Work and Sociological and Legal	
Cover: Department of Historical Law and Legal Methodology			
Type of educational activity: Lecture		Number of credits: 5	Recommended semester: ST
Scope of educational activity (in hours):			Study grade: PhD. Study
Weekly: -			
For term of study: LS 10			
Method of educational activity: Attendance			
Recommended semester	Study programme		
1.year ST	Civil Law (ZObP-DŠ) Civil Law (ZObP-EŠ) Labour Law (ZPrP-DŠ) Labour Law (ZPrP-EŠ) Theory and History of State and Law (ZTDŠP-DŠ) Theory and History of State and Law (ZTDŠP-EŠ) Criminal Law (ZTrP-DŠ) Criminal Law (ZTrP-EŠ)		
Underlie subjects:			
Conditions for passing the course:			
Method of evaluation: Completion by a continuing assessment			
Continuous evaluation: Completion by a continuing assessment. Students are assessed on the basis of continuous evaluation - elaboration of a written assignment in the range of a maximum of 10 standard pages, in which the doctoral student gives an overview of the current state of knowledge for one of the dissertation (hypo)theses and at the same time polemically copes with this state of knowledge. By elaborating the assignment, the doctoral students demonstrate their ability to identify, classify and evaluate the relevant scholarly literature on a selected issue. At the same time, the doctoral students demonstrate the ability to think critically about scholarly texts of other authors in order to formulate new scientific hypotheses or normative theses.			
Final evaluation: Completion by a continuing assessment			
Finished: By continuing assessment.			
Learning outcomes:			
By completing the course, the student will be able: - to search effectively for relevant scientific literature, - to effectively classify acquired scientific knowledge, - to effectively search for periodicals suitable for the publication of scientific outputs, - to deal with peer reviews.			
Schedule of subject:			
Topics: - What is the current state of scientific knowledge? - Searching for relevant scientific literature - Databases of scientific periodicals - Abstract / annotation / synopsis / introduction of a scientific article - Organization and classification of scientific information - Choice of method of publishing scientific output - Review procedure and review report			
Recommended reading:			
Basic recommended literature: KNAPP, V.: Vědecká propedeutika pro rávníky. Praha: Eurolex Bohemia, 2003. MELZER, F.: Metodologie nalézání práva: úvod do právní argumentace. Praha: C. H. Beck, 2010.			
Other recommended literature: FAY, B.: Současná filosofie sociálních věd: multikulturní přístup. Praha: SLON, 2002, s. 93 – 114. (moodle). GÁBRIŠ, T.: Prespriktívna teóriapráva. Bratislava: VEDA, 2020. JELLINEK, G.: Všeobecná státověda. Praha: J. Laichter, 1905, s. 26 – 55. (Moodle). KNAPP, V. – GERLOCH, A.: Logika v právním myšlení. 3. vyd. Praha: Eurolex Bohemia, 2001. OCHRANA, F.: Metodologie vedy. Úvod do problému. Praha: Karolinum,2010. STELMACH, J. – BROZEK, B.: Methods of legal reasoning. Dordrecht: Springer, 2006. WEBER, M.: Metodologie, sociologie a politika. Praha: Oikoymenh, 1998.			
Language requirements: Slovak			

Notes:

The subject has a form of lectures. According to the individual interest of students, the lecturer also provides individual consultations.

Person responsible for the doctoral study program Labour Law:

Prof. JUDr. Mgr. Andrea Olšovská, PhD.

Person responsible for the doctoral study program Criminal Law:

Prof. JUDr. Ivan Šimovček, CSc.

Person responsible for the doctoral study program Civil Law:

Doc. JUDr. Monika Jurčová, PhD., mim. prof.

Person responsible for the doctoral study program Theory and History of State and Law:

Prof. JUDr. PhDr. Tomáš Gábriš, PhD., LL.M., MA.

Course evaluation:

Assessed students in total: 132

A	B	C	D	E	FX
71%	5%	5%	1%	2%	15%

Lecturers:

prof. PhDr. JUDr. Tomáš Gábriš, PhD., LL.M., MA, lecturer, examiner

prof. JUDr. Kristián Csach, PhD., LL.M., lecturer, examiner

doc. Mgr. Marek Káčer, PhD., lecturer, examiner

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