



COURSE DATA

DATA SUBJECT

Code: 35199
Name: Constitutional Law I
Cycle: Undergraduate Studies
ECTS Credits: 9
Academic year: 2025-26

STUDY (S)

Degree	Center	Acad. year	Period
1303 - Degree in Law	Facultat de Dret	1	Annual
1921 - Double Degree Program BMA and Law	Facultat d'Economia	1	Annual
1923 - Double Degree Programme Law-Criminology	Facultat de Dret	1	Annual
1930 - Double Degree Programme in Law and Political and Public Admin. Sciences	Facultat de Dret	1	Annual

SUBJECT-MATTER

Degree	Subject-matter	Character
1303 - Degree in Law	Introduction to constitutional law	BASIC
1921 - Double Degree Program BMA and Law	Year 1 compulsory subjects	BASIC
1923 - Double Degree Programme Law-Criminology	Year 1 compulsory subjects	COMPULSORY
1930 - Double Degree Programme in Law and Political and Public Admin. Sciences	Asignaturas obligatorias de primer curso	COMPULSORY

COORDINATION

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SUMMARY

Constitutional Law I is a basic annual subject that is taught in the first year of the Law Grade and his teaching load is 9 ECTS. This subject is continued in the second-year subject, *Constitutional Law II*.

PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER SUBJECTS OF THE SAME DEGREE

There are no specified enrollment restrictions with other subjects of the curriculum.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS



COMPETENCES / LEARNING OUTCOMES

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Acquire basic knowledge of legal arguments.

Be able to communicate correctly both orally and in writing in the field of law.

Be able to read and interpret legal texts.

Capacidad para utilizar los principios y valores constitucionales, el respeto a los derechos humanos, con especial atención a la igualdad entre hombres y mujeres, la sostenibilidad y la cultura de la paz, como herramientas de trabajo en la interpretación del ordenamiento jurídico.

Recognise the importance of law as a system for regulating social relations.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS

1. Theory of the State (I)

The concept of State and its constitutive elements.

2. Theory of the State (II)

Historical evolution of the State: the modern State. The Liberal State. The social and democratic state of law.

3. Theory of the State (III)

The territorial forms of State: the unitary State, the federal State and the regional State. Special reference to the Spanish autonomic State

4. Constitutional Theory

Constitutional Theory and its application to the present Spanish constitutional system. The concept of Constitution. The constituent power. Defending and amending the Constitution. The amendment of the Constitution in Spain.



5. The Constitution and the law sources (I)

The Constitution as legal provision and the constitutional system of sources of law.

6. The Constitution and the law sources (II)

The Constitutional Court jurisprudence

7. The Constitution and the law sources (III)

The International Treaties and the Law of the European Union in the sources of law system.

8. The Constitution and the law sources (IV)

The law: types. Rules with force of law. The rules. Other sources.

9. Separation of powers and forms of government

The praxis of the principle of separation of powers: forms of government. Features of presidential system vs parliamentarism.

10. The institutional organization of the State (I)

The forms of Head of State: the Republic and the Monarchy. The Monarchy as a political form of the Spanish State. The crown. The functions of the King. The countersignature.

11. The institutional organization of the State (II)

The Cortes Generales: characters, composition and electoral system.

12. The institutional organization of the State (III)

The Cortes Generales: organization. Parliamentary law.

13. The institutional organization of the State (IV)

The Parliament: functions



14. The institutional organization of the State (V)

The Government: designation, composition and its relationships with the Parliament

15. The institutional organization of the State (VI)

The Government: its relationships with the Parliament.

16. The institutional organization of the State (VII)

The Judiciary: its constitutional configuration. The General Council of the Judiciary.

17. The institutional organization of the State (VIII)

The Constitutional Court: organization and operation. Control of the constitutionality of laws and norms with the force of law. Conflicts of powers. Reference to constitutional amparo appeal.

18. The territorial organization of the State (I)

Constitutional principles and system of powers

19. The territorial organization of the State (II)

The Valencian Autonomous Community

WORKLOAD

PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES

Activity	Hours
Theoretical and practical classes	90,00
Total hours	90,00

NON PRESENCIAL ACTIVITIES

Activity	Hours
Attendance at other activities	0,00
Individual or group project	0,00
Independent study and work	90,00
Preparation of lessons	40,50
Preparation for assessment activities	0,00



Resolution of case studies	4,50
Total hours	135,00

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

- Lectures with group discussion.
- Proposal and resolution of practical cases
- Preparation / presentation of individual and group work.
- Carrying out tasks and practices.
- Attending tutorials.
- Comprehensive reading materials.
- Drafting of summaries, diagrams, etc.

EVALUATION

It will use the following procedure for assessing competencies:

- Written and/or oral test/s, consisting of one or more exams that may be objective type tests, including theoretical-practical questions and / or problems. In case of final oral test, it must be recorded.
- Assessment of individual and / or group practical from the preparation, delivery of papers, memos/reports and / or oral presentations, and student attendance at seminars.
- Continuous evaluation of each student, based on regular attendance and active participation in classroom activities proposed, level of involvement in the process of teaching and learning and skills and attitudes displayed during the development of activities. The activities of continuous evaluation, by their nature, are not recoverable in second call.
- Only in the case of overcoming the overall test with a minimum grade of 5 will the weighting be carried out with the continuous evaluation.

For the accomplishment of the applied and complementary activities, the lecturer of the subject will be able to use the methodology of the Learning-Service

The overall grade will be distributed as follows:

CONTINUOUS EVALUATION



Evaluable activity 1 10%

Evaluable activity 2 10%

Evaluable activity 3 10%

Total continuous evaluation 30%

GLOBAL TEST (theoretical-practical examination) 70%

A partial qualifying examination with a value of 35% of the grade will be made in which case the final test will have a value of 35% for students who have passed the qualifying exam.

TOTAL 100%

Regardless of the general evaluation system to be established for all students (written or oral exam) established for all the students (written or oral exam), the teacher responsible for the course may determine in the annexe to the teaching guide the possibility of changing, with reason, the modality of the final exam modality when it is necessary to take the exam on a date other than the official the exam on a date different from the official date, in application of the rules foreseen for the case of coincidence of exams in the Regulations for the Evaluation and Grading of the Undergraduate and Master's Degrees of the University of Valencia, or any other of the University of Valencia, or any other cause established by regulations (e.g., in the case of established (e.g. justified cases of force majeure). In these cases, the new type of exam to be taken must maintain the same level of demand and difficulty as the one taken in the rest of the group.

The students who have followed the continuous evaluation and have been evaluated, if they do not take the final exam on the official date of the final exam date (both in 1st and 2nd will obtain the grade of "NOT PRESENTED).

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