Content

Course Code	Course Name	Semester	Theory	Practice	Lab	Credit	ECTS
HUK373	Freedom of expression and the ECHR	5	2	0	0	2	2

Prerequisites	
Admission Requirements	

Language of Instruction	English		
Course Type	Elective		
Course Level	Bachelor Degree		
Objective	Examination of different aspects of freedom of expression in the light of ECtHR case law Analyzing the basic concepts of law, constitutional and ECHR rules, judicial decisions and scientific sources with the methods provided by legal methodology		
	Evaluation of ECHR and comparative constitutional rules, judicial decisions and doctrinal opinions in order to be used in solving legal disputes		
	Conveying universal legal principles by comparatively analyzing the ECHR and comparative constitutional texts		
	Conveying the understanding of honesty, justice and ethics required by being a lawyer		
Content	 Introduction: The concept of freedom of expression Foundations of freedom of expression Freedom of expression and democracy Freedom of political expression Freedom of the press Right to respect for private and family life and freedom of expression Internet and freedom of expression Hate speech and freedom of expression Midterm exam Academic freedom Freedom of art Freedom of expression for lawyers Whistleblowing General evaluation 		
References	 ECtHR, Guide on Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights. Relevant case-law of the ECtHR. D.J. Harris and others, Law of the European Convention on Human Rights, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2018. Christoph Grabenwarter, European Convention on Human Rights, C. H. Beck-Hart, Münich, 2014. Philip Leach, Taking a Case to the European Court of Human Rights, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2017. Jacobs, White & Ovey, The European Convention on Human Rights, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2014. William A. Schabas, The European Convention on Human Rights, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2015. 		

Theory Topics

Week	Weekly Contents
1	Introduction: The concept of freedom of expression
2	Foundations of freedom of expression
3	Freedom of expression and democracy
4	Political freedom of expression
5	Freedom of the press
6	Right to respect for private and family life and the freedom of expression
7	Internet and freedom of expression
8	Hate speech and freedom of expression
9	Mid-term exam
10	Academic freedom
11	Artistic freedom
12	Freedom of expression for lawyers
13	Whistleblowing
14	General evaluation