General information			A.A. 2023/2024
Academic subject	Legal Englis	sh (LMGI)	
	Lingua Ingl	ese (SSG)	
	Inglese Giu	ridico (ConsL	av)
Degree course	LMGI-SSG - ConsLav		
Academic Year	2°LMGI – 1° SSG e ConsLav		
European Credit Transfer and Accumulation S		System	<b>6</b> (LMGI -SSG)
(ECTS)			3 (ConsLav)
Language	English		
Academic calendar (starting and ending		I semester from 2 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 to 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	
date)			
Attendance	Strictly recommended		

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Syllabus		
Learning Objectives	Legal English classes and the curricular program aim to provide students with a basic knowledge of legal English in its technical dimension, both in its linguistic and lexical sides, by studying the major English-speaking legal systems. Indeed, the final aim of the course is to equip students with a good command of legal English to understand and use it in various international legal activities.  To those effects, legal-technical topics, together with linguistic and lexical issues, will be covered with a uniform approach: by studying the origins, the development, and the main features of Common Law, the United Kingdom, and the United States legal system, attempts will be made to point out the use of the English lexicon and the linguistic aspects into the various sources of law, having particular regard with case-law. This purpose will be achieved by examining selected law articles, book chapters, and important rulings of the Courts and through a dynamic and dialogic approach that allows the student to test the technical-legal notions learned and implement written and oral language skills.	
Course prerequisites		
Curricular program	<u>LMGI – SSG</u>	
	Module 1 – Introduction to Common law	
	a ) Common law: origins and developments	
	b) Common law and equity	
	C ) Stare decisis – the doctrine of binding precedent	
	d ) Precedent from the American perspective	
	Module 2 – The language of a legal system: UK Constitutional Law a) Sources and principles of English law	

	b) Legislation and the Legislature
	C ) Legislation and the Courts
	Module 2 – The European Dimension
	a ) The Council of Europe
	b) The United Nations
	C ) The European Union
	d ) The European Convention on Human Rights
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Books and bibliography	<u>LMGI – SSG:</u> A. Riley, <i>Legal English and the Common Law</i> , Cedam, Padova,
	latest edition – Only chapters 1 (only par. 1.1, 1.1.1), 2, 3, 5 (only part 2).
	CONSLAV: A. Riley, Legal English and the Common Law, Cedam, Padova,
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Additional materials	Further materials (i.e. summary of cases, fragments of legal textbooks, etc.)
	will be made available during classes.

Work schedule					
Total	Lectures		Hands on (Laboratory, working groups, seminars, field trips)	Out-of-class study hours/ Self-study hours	
Hours					
150 (LMGI – SSG) 75 (CONSLAV)	48 24			102 51	
ECTS					
6 (LMGI – SSG) 3 (CONSLAV)					
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Expected learni	ng outcomes				
Knowledge and understanding of		Good command of legal English in its legal-technical and linguistic-lexico dimension.		ınd linguistic-lexical	

Applying knowledge and understanding on:	Understanding and using Legal English in a variety of international legal activities.	
Soft skills	Making informed judgments and choices     Ability to critically understand and make autonomous judgments, in English, on the most relevant legal issues in the international context, in common law legal systems, and in European law.	
	• Communicating knowledge and understanding Ability to actively engage in discussions in English concerning the most relevant legal issues in the international context, in common law legal systems, and in European law.	
	• Capacities to continue learning Ability to autonomously read and translate a legal text as well as to engage actively in a discussion on legal issues in English.	

Assessment and feedback			
Methods of assessment	Oral exam. A mid-term written examination could be		
	administered to those students who attended		
	classes. The mid-term will be part of the final		
	grade.		
Evaluation criteria	Knowledge and understanding		
	Written or oral expository skills		
	Applying knowledge and understanding		
	Understanding of legal issues studied		
	Autonomy of judgment		
	Developing critical sense of the legal issues under study		
	Communicating knowledge and understanding		
	Debating skills with sufficient linguistic ability on the legal issues under		
	study Capacities to continue learning		
	Self-sufficiency in the activity of reading, translating, understanding and		
	communicating legal texts.		
Criteria for assessment and	Achieving a basic level in each of the learning outcomes implies passing the		
attribution of the final mark	exam. Pass – No Pass Exam.		
Additional information			

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