

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2026/2027	
University: Comenius University Bratislava	
Faculty: Faculty of Law	
Course ID: PraF.KOPHP/ ENbMP19-24a/26	Course title: Comparative Company Law in the Context of the EU Law
Educational activities: Type of activities: lecture / seminar Number of hours: per week: 2 / 2 per level/semester: 26 / 26 Form of the course: on-site learning	
Number of credits: 5	
Recommended semester: 6.	
Educational level: I.	
Prerequisites:	
Course requirements: Continuous assessment: 100% (active participation in seminars or written assignments during the seminar or presentation of case studies (40%); preparation of the final case study (60%)) Final assessment: Classification scale: A / 1 = 91 - 100%; B / 1.5 = 81 - 90%; C / 2 = 73 - 80%; D / 2.5 = 66 - 72%; E / 3 = 60 - 65%; FX = 0 - 59% The subject is partially examined using unannotated legal regulations according to the lecturer's instructions. Scale of assessment (preliminary/final): 100/0	
Learning outcomes: The course Comparative Company Law in the Context of the EU Law provides students with a comprehensive understanding of company law through the analysis and comparison of different legal systems. It covers fundamental topics such as the sources of company law, the legal personality of companies, corporate governance structures, and various forms of business entities, including partnerships, limited partnerships, limited liability companies, and joint-stock companies. Students will acquire key legal concepts and regulatory frameworks based on Slovak, UK and EU company law, developing critical thinking skills essential for assessing corporate structures and legal compliance across different jurisdictions. The course further explores the formation and purpose of business entities, trade names, trade secrets, and the role of company law in business activities. Through case studies and comparative analysis, students will gain practical insights into the challenges and opportunities faced by business entities in diverse legal environments. This approach enhances their ability to navigate complex legal issues in the international business landscape. Additionally, the course equips students with the knowledge and skills necessary for practical application in their professional careers. Knowledge: Students can identify and analyse the sources of company law in various legal systems, particularly in Slovak, UK and EU law. They understand fundamental company law principles, the legal personality of companies, and corporate governance. They are able to characterize different types	

of business entities, including partnerships, limited partnerships, limited liability companies and joint-stock companies. Additionally, they have a thorough understanding of the legal aspects of company formation and purpose, as well as issues related to trade names and trade secrets. Skills: Students can address legal issues related to company law using a comparative approach within the context of EU law. They are capable of analysing and comparing legal frameworks of selected corporate institutions across different jurisdictions. Responsibility and Independence: Students can independently identify legal issues in company law, propose appropriate solutions, and formulate legal arguments within a comparative approach within the context of EU law. They are able to work autonomously with legal regulations and apply their knowledge in preparing legal documents, analyses and case studies. Moreover, they can effectively communicate and defend their legal opinions in both academic and professional settings
Class syllabus: 1. Company law and sources of company law 2. Entrepreneurial (business) activity, entrepreneur (business owner), enterprise 3. Business name and trade secret 4. Legal personality of companies, group of companies 5. Creation of companies and purpose of their creation 6. Defining characteristics of a company 7. Partnership and Limited partnership 8. Limited liability company 1 9. Limited liability company 2 10. Joint stock company / Public limited company 11. Developing the skills needed for written submissions and oral interaction 12. Honing students' oral interaction with teachers and classmates 13. Preparation of final assignment - case study
Recommended literature: 1. ŠKRINÁR – NEVOLNÁ – KVOKAČKA: Fundamentals of Slovak Commercial Law (Slovak Company law), Aleš Čeněk, 2009. 2. PATAKYOVÁ et al. Company Law and Law on Cooperatives – General introduction to the topic and definition of basic terms, Bratislava : Univerzita Komenského v Bratislave, Právnická fakulta, 2019. 3. MAYSON – FRENCH – RYAN: Company Law (UK Company law), Derek French 2023. 4. CAHN – DONALD: Comparative company law, Oxford, 2023. 5. RIDLEY – SHEPHERD: Company law (Key Facts, Key Cases), Routledge (Taylor and Francis Group), 2015. 6. European Model Company Act. 7. Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. 8. Slovak Act No. 513/1991 Coll. Commercial Code. 9. UK Companies Act 2006.
Languages necessary to complete the course: English
Notes:

Past grade distribution						
Total number of evaluated students: 0						
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX
0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
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