

LAWGEM INTRODUCTORY NOTES

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OBJECTIVES

- The main objective of LAWGEM is to build a fully innovative systemic curriculum of master legal studies, which will offer a gender sensitive legal learning, studying, and teaching, and which would encompass all relevant fields of legal education and legal practice, as well as non-legal relevant fields such as the economic analysis of law, criminology, and other social-psychological fields of research and knowledge.
- The end results of this project, i.e. of implementing the LAW AND GENDER master programme shall be to offer in-depth knowledge of reasons for gender mainstreaming in law, economics, politics and policies of the European Union and its member states and accession countries.

INTELLECTUAL OUTPUTS

- **1. CURRICULUM AND SYLLABI (UB)**
- **2. EMPIRICAL SURVEY TOOL (UB)**
- **3. TEXTBOOK (Saarland U)**
- **4. LIFE-LONG-LEARNING ONLINE PLATFORM (UB)**
- **5. GENDER EQUALITY LEGAL CLINIC (Orebro U)**

CURRICULUM AND TEXTBOOK

- **Mandatory courses:** (5 ECTS, except PRACTICAL SKILLS – 3 ECTS. Mandatory is also GELC – 3 ECTS)
- Practical Skills (Research Methodology, English Terminology, Internet Skills)
- Gender Issues in Comparative Legal History
- Human Rights Law – Gender Perspective
- Feminist Jurisprudence
- **List of optional courses:** (8 ECTS) Student chooses 3 optional courses)
- Civil Law and Gender Equality
- Public Law and Gender Equality
- Feminist Economics/Gender Economics
- Gender Equality and Business Law
- Gender Equitable Taxation
- Gender Sensitive Family Law
- Gender Sensitive Criminal Law
- Gender Sensitive Criminology
- International and EU Law and Gender Equality
- Gender Perspective of Labour and Social Security Law
- Sociology of Law and Gender Equality
- Feminist Judgements
- Public Policies on Gender Equality
- Master thesis – 15 ECTS

Learning, Teaching Training Workshop (LTT)

- May 13 to 15, 20120, Faculty of Law Belgrade University
- Curriculum building, research groups for creating all syllabi

Textbook

- Textbook *Gender Sensitive Legal Education* will encompass 17 texts plus an introductory one, plus an article on the Gender Equality Legal Clinic. The nature of the publication imposes a rather extensive volume. Namely, the contents of all syllabi for all mandatory and optional courses for the Law and Gender master's programme will be covered by these chapters.
- It will amount to around 400 to 500 pages.
- The chapters will be scientific analyses of all legal fields of knowledge related to the positive civil, public, international, criminal law, European Union Law, as well as to the legal-economic, legal-historical, theoretical-legal fields of legal education.
- The traditional interpretation of the mentioned fields of legal education and knowledge production will be “deconstructed” and “constructed” again (metaphorically speaking), meaning that they will be reconsidered and rewritten from the gender sensitive point of view.
- Team work and deliberation on the particular topics in the framework of different educational and cultural background will be challenging and controversial, but productive.

LLLP

- The online LLL platform will enable full transparency, constant information availability, on-line empirical survey access, online evaluation of all events, especially of the multiplier events/conferences and the Publication. The LLL will enable using all relevant information on the Curriculum and the Legal Clinic. All syllabi and relevant texts, links, the textbook, empirical survey tool will be available online, on this platform.
- The LLL platform will also be used for informal learning on gender equality, for a constant and wide range dissemination and promotion of gender equality, and for presenting examples of gender inequality in any area of life, in all Consortium members and wider.
- It will also be used for compiling information on events, publications, conferences, etc. related to gender issues, as well as for connecting with all networks gathered around the gender issues.

Empirical Survey Tool

This will be the first questionnaire based on a systemic approach to all relevant dimensions for researching the quality of gender equality in academic institutions. It will mean a standardised new tool, applicable to all other faculties and universities.

Another innovation in this research will be the comparative approach to the results based on equal questions put to equally educated individuals in five culturally very different university environments.

The opinions of the same number of staff representatives of 5 universities will be focused on three dimensions regarding gender (in)equality: a) institutional framework (quality of rules and regulations regarding career promotion, gender pay gap, maternity leave and parental leave, family friendly institutional support, new jobs` announcements, protection from sexual harassment and mobbing, as well as from family violence), b) educational framework – quality of gender (in)sensitivity of the study programmes, syllabi and textbooks, as well as of the pedagogical approach and “the hidden curriculum” (value statements, prejudices, and stereotypes implied in the communication and relation between academic staff in itself and between professors and students); and c) cultural setting – value systems, stereotypes, prejudices of the professors regarding gender issues in academia

GELC

- The Gender Equality Legal Clinic which will be developed within the LAWGEM project will offer basic knowledge on gender equality, anti-discrimination, equal opportunities, issues of intersectional female subordination, essence of family violence and sexual harassment and the legal, institutional, and other interlinked modalities of combating it.
- Syllabus will be created by experts from Orebro U in the communication with other Consortium members.
- GELC will be the 5th obligatory course at Law and Gender master.

Transnational Project Meetings (TPM) and Multiplier events (ME)

- TPM 1 – Kick off, 12 and 13 December, 2019 – Responsibility BU
- TPM 2 and ME 1, 18 to 20 November, 2020, Responsibility Saarland U
- TPM 3 and ME 2, 3 to 5 February, 2021, Responsibility Cadiz U
- TPM 4 and ME 3, 6 to 8 October 2021, Responsibility Orebro U
- TPM 5 and ME 4, 19 to 21 January 2022, Responsibility BU
- ME 5, 10 to 11 May 2022, Responsibility LUMSA U