

**ANKARA YILDIRIM BEYAZIT UNIVERSITY – DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND BUSINESS  
COURSE SYLLABUS**

| Course Code  | Course Title  | Course Type  | ECTS Credits | Prerequisite Information | Date of Preparation |
|--|---|--|--------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| BUS109   | Fundamentals of Law   | Compulsory   | 4            | -                        | 22.10.2025          |
| <b>Instructor of the Course &amp; E-Mail Address</b>   | Res. Ass. Dr. Hatice Cemre AKYILMAZ   |  |              |                          |                     |
| <b>Office Hours &amp; Office Room</b>                  | Monday 13.00 – 14.00 / Thursday 10.00 – 11.00 at the Campus of 15 Temmuz Şehitleri  |  |              |                          |                     |
| <b>Course Content and Objectives</b>                   | This course provides a foundational understanding of the legal system, its sources, and its role in regulating social and economic relations. It introduces key concepts such as the hierarchy of norms, the distinction between public and private law, and the branches of Turkish law. Students will explore how law supports social order, predictability, and justice, while gaining familiarity with legal terminology, reasoning, and the functioning of courts and administrative bodies. |  |              |                          |                     |
| <b>Textbook(s)</b>                                     | Aybay, Rona (2023) <i>An Introduction to Law</i> (16 <sup>th</sup> Ed.) DER Yayınları.<br>Saygın, Engin (2024) <i>Introduction to Law in a Nutshell</i> (6 <sup>th</sup> Ed.) Adalet Yayınevi.  |  |              |                          |                     |
| <b>Teaching Methods and Techniques</b>                 | The course is conducted through a combination of lectures, discussions, and case-based learning. Theoretical knowledge is supported by real-life legal examples and judicial decisions to enhance comprehension and practical understanding. Students are encouraged to actively participate in class discussions, analyze hypothetical cases, and apply legal principles to contemporary issues.   |  |              |                          |                     |
| <b>Course Learning Outcomes</b>                        | 1   | To understand the basic concepts, sources, and structure of the legal system.                          |              |                          |                     |
|  | 2   | To identify the main branches of law and their functions within the legal order.                       |              |                          |                     |
|  | 3   | To apply fundamental legal principles to simple real-life or hypothetical cases.                       |              |                          |                     |
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| <b>Program Outcomes Contributed by the Course</b>      | <b>Program Outcomes (PO)</b>  |  |              |                          |                     |
|  | <b>PO 1.</b>  | Possesses a fundamental understanding of the legal framework governing social and economic relations.  |              |                          |                     |
|  | <b>PO 2.</b>  | Possesses the ability to interpret, analyze, and apply legal rules in professional contexts.           |              |                          |                     |
|  | <b>PO 3.</b>  | Possesses critical and analytical thinking skills to evaluate legal and ethical issues.                |              |                          |                     |
|  | <b>PO 4.</b>  | Possesses awareness of legal responsibilities and compliance requirements in business decision-making. |              |                          |                     |
| <b>PO 5.</b>   | Possesses effective communication skills in using accurate legal terminology and reasoning.   |  |              |                          |                     |
| <b>Contribution of the Course to Field Instruction</b> | The students will be able to relate fundamental legal concepts to their field of study and apply basic legal reasoning in analyzing field-specific issues within a sound legal and ethical framework.   |  |              |                          |                     |
| <b>Topics Covered in the Course</b>                    | 1. Week   | Society and the Order  |              |                          |                     |
|  | 2. Week   | Law and Other Social Order: Moral Order, Religious Order and Rules of Manner                           |              |                          |                     |
|  | 3. Week   | Characteristics of Legal Order   |              |                          |                     |
|  | 4. Week   | Application of Legal Norms: the Methods of Legal Reasoning and Burden of Proof                         |              |                          |                     |
|  | 5. Week   | Application of Legal Norms: Presumptions and the Methods of Interpretation                             |              |                          |                     |
|  | 6. Week   | Sources of Law   |              |                          |                     |
|  | 7. Week   | Legal Systems of the World   |              |                          |                     |
|  | 8. Week   | Midterm Week   |              |                          |                     |
|  | 9. Week   | Branches of Law: Public and Private Law  |              |                          |                     |

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|                                   | 10. Week  | Constitutional Law |                     |
|                                   | 11. Week  | Administrative Law |                     |
|                                   | 12. Week  | Criminal Law       |                     |
|                                   | 13. Week  | Civil Law          |                     |
|                                   | 14. Week  | Law of Obligation  |                     |
|                                   | 15. Week  | Commercial Law     |                     |
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| <b>Course Evaluation Criteria</b> | <b>In-Term Studies</b>  | <b>Quantity</b>    | <b>Percentage %</b> |
|                                   | Mid-terms   | 1                  | % 40                |
|                                   | Quizzes   |                    | %                   |
|                                   | Assignments   |                    | %                   |
|                                   | Attendance  |                    | %                   |
|                                   | Practice  |                    | %                   |
|                                   | Project   |                    | %                   |
|                                   | Final examination   | 1                  | % 60                |
|                                   | <b>Total</b>  | <b>2</b>           | <b>100%</b>         |
| <b>Disability Policy</b>          | <p>If you have a documented disability (e.g., visual, hearing, or physical impairment, etc.) that may influence your performance in this course, it is recommended to meet with the Engelsiz AYBU (<a href="https://aybu.edu.tr/engelsiz/content_list-327-yildirim-beyazit-universitesi-engelsiz-universite-birimi-yonergesi.html">https://aybu.edu.tr/engelsiz/content_list-327-yildirim-beyazit-universitesi-engelsiz-universite-birimi-yonergesi.html</a>) to arrange for reasonable conditions (such as accommodation, etc.) to ensure an equitable opportunity to meet all the requirements of this course. You may also contact the local authority of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. You should communicate your needs to the course instructor as soon as possible to ensure that any course needs concerning exams, lecture materials, etc. are met.</p> |                    |                     |