Welcome to the University of Zurich
Introduction to Swiss Law

Autumn Semester 2016

Prof. Dr. iur. Marc Thommen
General Information

Block 1 (Public Law)

21.09.2016, 14.00-15.45 Uhr, KOL G 217: Administrative Law (Prof. Uhlmann)
22.09.2016, 08.00-12.00 Uhr, KOL G 217: Constitutional Law (Prof. Oesch)
22.09.2016, 14.00-15.45 Uhr, KOL G 217: Tax Law (Prof. Simonek)

Block 2 (Private Law)

29.09.2016, 08.00-12.00 Uhr, KOL G 217: Civil Law (Prof. Picht)
29.09.2016, 14.00-18.00 Uhr, KOL F 118: Law of Obligations (Dr. Huber-Purtschert)

Block 3 (Criminal Law & Civil Procedure)

06.10.2016, 08.00-12.00 Uhr, KO2 F 152: Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure (Prof. Thommen)
06.10.2016, 14.00-18.00 Uhr, KO2 F 152: Civil Procedure (Prof. Domej) *(Cancelled)*
Exam

- Date: Oct. 27, 2016
- Duration: 1 hour
- Multiple Choice
  - Question/Statement → 5 possible answers
  - 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 answers may be correct
  - Correct answer: +1 Point
  - Wrong answer: -1 Point
For each question/statement, there are 5 possible answers

You don’t know how many answers are correct/incorrect

Choose for each answer, if it’s correct or not

In this case, answers B and E are correct, A, C and D are incorrect
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- Correct answer: +1 point
- Wrong answers: -1 point
- No answer: neutral → 0 Point
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**Perfect solution: 5 Points**
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Rechtswissenschaftliches Institut – Lehrstuhl Thommen

Vorlesung Introduction to Swiss Law
Vorles.-Nr. 4286

Lehrveranstaltungsinhalt
1. Swiss Constitutional Law: The main features of Swiss constitutional law. Rules of law (fundamental and procedural rights): democracy (initiative, referendum). Government (federal assembly, federal council, federal courts). Federation (federal government and cantons), international relations (European Convention on Human Rights, Switzerland and the European Union). 2. Swiss Administrative and Tax Law: Overview of the Swiss tax system and introduction to the income and corporate tax on the federal and cantonal level. 3. Swiss Private Law: Introduction to the Swiss civil code of 1907, which covers such topics as persons, family law, inheritance law and property law. 4. Civil Procedure: Switzerland is an important venue for both international litigation and arbitration. As many foreigners have assets in Switzerland, enforcement plays an important role in the international context as well. The lecture addresses these topics. 5. Swiss Contract Law: An introduction to the Swiss contract law and company law, called “Gesellschaftsrecht” (commercial law). 6. Swiss Criminal Law: An introduction to Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure Law provides an essential understanding of the criminal justice system in Switzerland, with special emphasis on some contemporary issues. The lecture covers the applicable codes, the practice resources, and the agencies specific to criminal procedure.

Literatur
Introduction to Swiss Law, edited by F. Dossenheim and T. Ansley, 3rd Ed., Chapter 14 and 15.

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Private Law

- Law studies in Munich, Germany
- Doctorate and habilitation at Max Planck Institute (Intellectual Property Law and Competition Law)
- Professor for Competition Law at the University of Zurich
Dr. iur. Tina Huber-Purtschert

Law of Obligations

– Since 2014: Habilitation in Zurich
Prof. Dr. iur. Matthias Oesch

Constitutional Law

– Law studies in Bern, Switzerland (1992-1999)
– LL.M Public International Law, London School of Economics and Political Science
– Doctorate and habilitation in Bern (2002 and 2008)
– Chair for Public Law, European Law and International Economic Law
Prof. Dr. iur. Felix Uhlmann

Administrative Law

- Doctorate and habilitation in Basel (1996 and 2004)
- Chair for Constitutional and Administrative Law and Legislative Doctrine
Prof. Dr. iur. Madeleine Simonek

Tax Law

– Law studies in Bern, Switzerland (1986)
– Certified Tax Expert (1996)
– Chair for Swiss and International Tax Law
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Criminal Law / Criminal Procedure

- Doctorate and habilitation in Basel and Lucerne (2004 and 2013)
- LL.M University of Cambridge, Trinity Hall College (2005)
- Chair for Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure
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