

Introduction to Swiss Law

Fall Semester 2017



Syllabus

Public Law

Constitutional Law (Prof. Oesch) Administrative Law (Prof. Uhlmann) Tax Law (Prof. Simonek)

Private Law

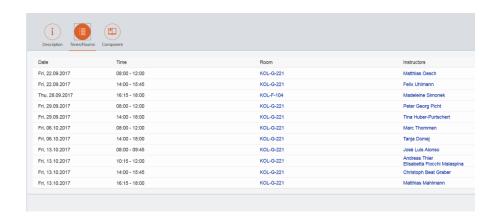
Civil Law (Prof. Picht)
Law of Obligations (Dr. Huber- Purtschert)

Criminal Law & Civil Procedure

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Foundations

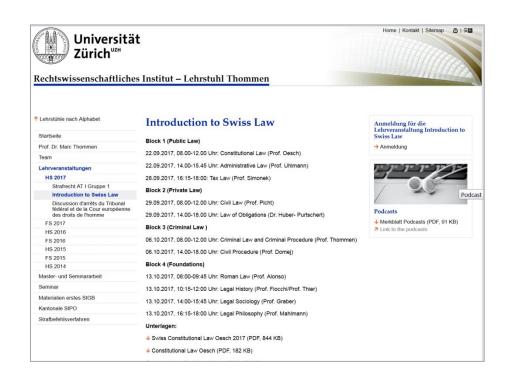
Roman Law (Prof. Alonso) Legal History (Prof. Fiocchi/Prof. Thier) Legal Sociology (Prof. Graber) Legal Philosophy (Prof. Mahlmann)





- Slides
- ReadingPodcasts

Materials





Textbook

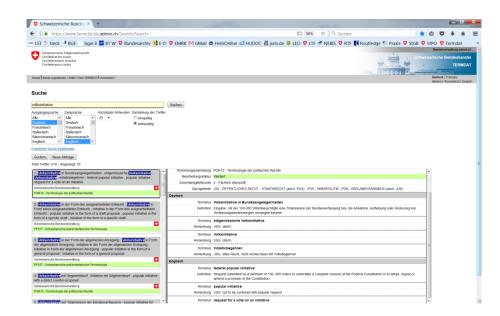
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Translations

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Date: Oct. 27, 2017

Duration: 1 hour

Multiple Choice

Exam

Dr. Tina Huber-Purtschert

Prof. Dr. Matthias Oesch

Prof. Dr. Peter Picht

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	27 October 2016 (08:30-09:30)				
Dura	tion: 60 minutes				
Maxi	mum score: 60 points				
	Please check both at receipt as well as at submission of the exam the number of question sheets. The examination contains (without this cover) 5 pages and 10 questions.				
Notes	on multiple-choice questions				
	Every question contains of 5 answers or statements				
	For each of them must be decided whether it is correct or incorrect				
	It is possible, that 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or none of the answers statements are correct. A right answer gives 1 point.				
:	A right answer gives 1 point. A wrong answer gives -1 point.				
	No answer gives 0 points.				
	Maximum possible points per question : 5				
	Minimum possible points per question : -5				
	Make clear which is your final answer				

IMPORTANT: Note your Examination Sequence Number on every page of the examination

We wish you a lot of success!

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Introduction to Swits Law Examination Sequence Number;

Question 1 (Law of Obligations)

Madeleine, a lawyer with special knowledge in insurances, is planning to open an insurance broker boutique. In order to start her business activities, she needs some advice which type of business association she should choose. These are your answers:

	correct	incorrect
In a company limited by shares the company's liability is limited to the share capital.		
If Madeleine runs her business as a sole proprietorship she would not be fully liable in person for the liabilities of the business.		
With a company limited by shares Madeleine's business seems more trustworthy than with a limited liability company.		
In order to set up a company limited by shares Madeleine needs at least CHF 100'000.		
A company limited by shares makes the business less dependent on the		

Question 2 (Law of Obligations)

Nullity and defeasibility of a contract are different concepts. Rate the following statements:

	correct	incorrect
According to Art, 20 para, 1 CO a sale contract about drugs is null.		
A party that has entered into a contract under duress from the other party can without time limit defeat that contract.		
Maria sells Barbara her cat. But that cat is not available any more, it had died one month ago. That is therefore a contract with an impossible content and null.		
A contract for the sale of immovable property is valid only if done as a public deed (Art. 216 para. 1 CO).		
Maria sells Barbara a painting from Picasso. It turns out that the painting is a falsification. Barbara can successfully defeat that contract within one year upon discovery of the error because of fundamental error.		

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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. Matthias Oesch



Administrative Law

- Law studies in Basel, Switzerland (1988-1993)
- Doctorate and habilitation in Basel (1996 and 2004)
- LL.M Harvard Law School, Cambridge, USA (1998)
- Chair for Constitutional and Administrative Law and Legislative Doctrine



Prof. Dr. iur. Felix Uhlmann



Tax Law

- Law studies in Bern,
 Switzerland (1986)
- Doctorate and habilitation in Bern (1994 and 2004)
- Certified Tax Expert (1996)
- Chair for Swiss and International Tax Law



Prof. Dr. iur. Madeleine Simonek



Civil 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



Prof. Dr. iur. Peter Picht



Law of Obligations

- Studies of Economics, Bern, Switzerland (1996-2002)
- Law studies in St. Gallen (2003-2006)
- Dissertation in Zurich (2008-2012)
- Since 2014: Habilitation in Zurich



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Criminal Law / Criminal Procedure

- Law studies in Basel/Zurich, Switzerland (1995-2000)
- 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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Civil Procedure

- Mag.iur./Dr. iur. University of Vienna/Austria
- Researcher Hans-Kelsen Institute, Vienna
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- Chair for Swiss and International Civil Procedure and Comparative Private Law



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Roman Law

- Law studies/Doctorat in Santiago de Compostela/Spain
- Professor of Roman Law, University of the Basque Country/Spain
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Legal History

- Law Studies, Università degli Studi di Milano/Italy
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Legal History

- Law Studies/Magister Artium, Munich
- Doctorate/Habilitation, LMU Munich
- Professor for Civil Law, Münster
- Chair for Legal History
- NCCR Mediality
- Visiting Professor University of Chicago, School of Law



Prof. Dr. iur. Andreas Thier M.A.



Legal Sociology

- Law Studies, Bern, St.Gallen
- Doctorate Florence/Italy
- Habilitation, Bern
- Professor for Law of Communications/Culture, Lucerne
- Visiting Professor/Scholar: Georgetown
 University Law Center, Center for the Study
 of Law and Society der University of
 California, Berkeley (School of Law), Faculty
 Associate am Berkman Klein Center for
 Internet and Society, Harvard University.
- Chair for Legal Sociology with particular focus on Media Law



Prof. Dr. iur. Christoph Beat Graber



Legal Philosophy

- Law Studies/Doctorate/Habilitation
- Visiting Professor at Central European University, Budapest/Hungary, University of Pennsylvania Law School, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C
- Panel Member, European Research Council (ERC)
- Chair Legal Philosophy, Legal Theory and International Public Law, Zürich



Prof. Dr. iur. Matthias Mahlmann



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