

DESCRIPTION OF DEGREE PROGRAMME (admission year: 2020-2021)

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Title of the degree programme	National Code
Legal Regulation of Public Administration and Human Rights Master`s Degree Programme, Full-time study	6281KX004

2.

Official name of the awarding institution(s)	Language of instruction
Mykolas Romeris University	English

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Kind of study	Cycle of studies	Level of qualification
University studies	II cycle	VII level

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Mode of study and length of programme in years	Length of the degree programme in ECTS credits	Student's workload	Contact work hours	Independent work hours
Full-time study 2 years	120	3240	550	2690

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Group of Study Fields	Field of the programme
Law	Law

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Degree and/or qualification awarded
Master of Law

7.

Programme Director	Contact information
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Accreditation organization	Period of reference
Centre for Quality Assessment in Higher Education	2022.12.31

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Purpose of the programme
<p>Program Objectives – provide detailed, standard legal features of the theoretical knowledge and practical skills, which are essential trying to solve the problems of contemporary EU, Constitutional and Administrative Law in the lawmaking and judicial sectors, as well as in the level of public-private cooperation. Future professionals will gain a significant subject, professional knowledge and certain skills, necessary to develop and implement public administration legal policy in EU. They will understand social conventionality of the law, public and private sectors processes foresee the direction of solving problems in these sectors, know Administrative Law regulatory systems management peculiarities, gain legal qualification and abilities, in order to engage in a range of professional practice</p>

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Profile of the programme		
Study content: discipline(s)/subject area(s)	Orientation of the programme	Distinctive features
Definition of academic and professional profiles	Public Administration and Human Rights Protection Law Master's degree program is of a theoretical and applied nature, oriented to the practical and professional results, to the new forms of the public administration in EU. Therefore, the program is applied in many fields, providing a wide range of scientific approach in the practice to the recent graduates. Also, the program gives an opportunity to develop new scientific ideas and contributes to prepare students for the master's research work.	<p>Public Administration and Human Rights Protection Law Master's Degree program is a new one and determined constructively and structurally. It reveals certain Administrative Law adaptation knowledge. It is a self-contained study program; however it combines knowledge of contiguous law branches, and different subjects of other branches of science, i.e. human rights, comparative law, legal philosophy and theory, energy law, informatics law, constitutional law, politics and administration sciences, policy of economics, methodology of scientific researches, political science, etc. This program is qualitatively different from other legal studies programs, yet it harmonizes with and adds to the other study programs executed by Mykolas Romeris University. Moreover, it is in line with the general Mykolas Romeris University priorities of training the professionals. Also, it meets the needs of the State of Lithuania and the European Union.</p> <p>You will be given a possibility to combine studies in Lithuania and abroad – the programme is pursued with the partners – foreign university. Place of studies – Mykolas Romeris University and Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv: http://www.mruni.eu/lt/universitetas/fakultetai/teises_fakultetas/studijos/magistranturos_studijos/viesojo_administravimo_teisinis_reguliavimas_ir_zmogaus_teises_jungtine_studiju_programa/</p>
Qualification requirements and regulations		
<p>According to the Description of the Lithuanian Qualifications Framework, level VII qualifications are acquired through graduate university (II cycle) studies.</p> <p>The qualification provides for complex activities consisting of different interrelated tasks which may cover several related areas of professional activities. That is the reason why the performance requires expert evaluation of the most recent knowledge in the close and more distanced areas of activities; discovery of new facts in applied research of the professional activity area, creative theoretical knowledge and application of the results of scientific research.</p>		

The activities are performed independently, by way of setting prerogatives of an activity area, making independent decisions, which are oriented towards improvement and perfection of the activities. The activities imply managing the activities of other employees, thus qualifications of this level include abilities to independently carry out applied research, to provide consultations in an area of activities, to coordinate projects related to the upgrading of other individuals' qualifications and implementation of innovations, to analyse and present activity results. As the technological, management and organizational progress is witnessed in all areas of activities, the activities and their environment are subject to constant change, the changes are difficult to anticipate, the activities consist of volatile combinations of tasks. The activity change requires the ability to make innovative decisions based on research results, to assess alternative solutions and possible social and ethic consequences of the activities.

11.

Admission requirements	Specific arrangements for recognition of prior learning	Specific requirements for graduation
<p>To the Public Administration and Human Rights Protection Law courses can apply: - Persons with the university (undergraduate) degree or equivalent. - There is provided one year's additional training before going to graduate studies at University for the persons who wish to join this program, but do not have a specific area of study at university undergraduate. - There are provided additional subjects established by Mykolas Romeris University for the persons who wish to join this program and have at least Bachelor's degree in the appropriate studies. - Persons with Bachelor degree of relevant professional area of study and wish to join this program. In order to acquire a Master's degree one must complete one year of supplementary education. Competitive score is the sum of two parts: - The final examination and (or) final grade arithmetic average of 0.8 times the weighted factor. - Arithmetic average of the rest grades and MRU leader diploma gives additional two points to the competitive score.</p>	<p>In order to become an specialist of Public Administration and Human Rights Protection Law previous studies (formal or informal) are not recognized. The Master's degree program may be joined after finishing the complementary studies.</p>	<p>To collect 90 credits, to prepare and defend a Master thesis</p>

12.

Access to further studies
<p>Access to the third cycle studies</p>

13.

Occupational profiles of graduates with examples
<p>The acquired qualification enables graduates of Public Administration and Human Rights Protection Law programme to pursue a professional career as judges, attorneys at law, prosecutors, notaries and bailiffs, as well as to perform diverse legal work, especially one related to the executing of administrative duties.</p>

14.

Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods
<p>In addition to the traditional lectures and workshops, teachers use such innovative methods as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Graphic visualization (using various of visual aids during the lectures help students to understand more easily the essence of lecture) o Content/process-based learning gives an opportunity to the student's insight into the professional practice standard and analyzes how professionals dealt with in one or other professional issues. o During workshops various methods can be used: work in the groups, discussions, formulating of the notion, and its' advocacy, etc. These methods are dedicated to develop the ability of using the knowledge; they support to gain the skills. o Learning to cooperate (innovative educational method which stimulates to study actively, constructively, cooperating in smaller or bigger groups, cultivates analytical and creative thinking. One of the most important goals of this educational method is cultivating the skills of communication and teamwork). o During case studies students get case descriptions (important events, professional activities, etc.) First of all they have to analyze the case individually or in the groups orally or in written. After that teacher organize common discussion of the case. This method helps to develop problem-solving and decision-making competencies. o Moot court is an activity in which participants take part in simulated court proceedings. o Discussions with the professionals, when experienced Administrative Law professionals are invited to visit lectures in order to talk about important and new issues. This method encourages students to apply theoretical knowledge in practice and it motivates students for professional careers. o On-line assistance for the students and on-line method of assessment is connected with the Moodle e-learning platform. It helps to offer all the material to the students, to create educational environment for each of the subject. <p>Moreover, it delivers the opportunity to perform a standardized assessment of knowledge, i.e. to formulate self-test tasks, to create tests, control issues, to get generalized results of the tests, etc. Web-based, e-learning method could be understood an online access to the learning resources, e-learning environment, using the Moodle e-learning platform.</p>	<p>Students' achievements are evaluated using 10-point rating system. The evaluation of study results is an examination. Outcomes of different subjects are assessed by the cumulative points system. Cumulative points system motivates students to study actively all the semester. Cumulative points system, the whole of its' individual elements and their value is made public in advance. Cumulative score may include: test of the theoretical knowledge, presentation, control work, colloquium, written work, activity evaluation during the workshops, etc. The final result is formed by a cumulative score and evaluation of the exam. Examination is considered passed if the final assessment is positive, i.e. 5 points or more.</p>

15.

Generic competences		Programme learning outcomes	
1.	Smooth and reasoned written and oral language: an ability to express their thoughts, to reason the conclusions, and to represent them properly using legalese orally or in written form.	1.1	Ability to analyze the practical situation in the public sector (civil service, public administration institutions, administrative courts, Bar, etc.), critically assess an administrative body activity and identify problems in the public administration.

2.	Individual and team work : Ability to work individually or collectively, to determine or to bring solutions, to the complex problems of legal regulations, law interpretation or practical application of legal problems.	2.1	Ability to maintain and to apply EU Constitutional and Administrative Law knowledge and skills in order to offer legal solutions for the current public sector legal problems, affecting the social, political and economic development processes.
3.	Scientific research: ability to carry out research on legal topics: search; select the required information, to examine and to analyze the legal and related topics, to raise reasonable hypothesis, the study's goals and objectives, as well as to implement them.	3.1	Ability to self-identify and propose a situation or dispute resolution tools and techniques that best meet the current situation or situations and expectations of dispute parties.
4.	Solutions of practical situations: ability to deal with the practical situations which may arise in the law, using legal practices and knowledge obtained during the process of learning, to draw the conclusions from the available legal sources and the doctrine and to reason them.	4.1	Ability to self-identify minor offences committed by the public or private sector actors, and capacity to apply the appropriate measures of responsibility for natural or legal persons.
Subject specific competences		Programme learning outcomes	
5.	Practical situations and problems, the administrative law system analysis: ability to identify, analyze and evaluate administrative entities' practical activities, their work problems, to determine causes and circumstances leading to the emergence of these problems and propose efficient and rational suggestions to address these issues.	5.1	Ability to effectively represent the interests of public or private legal or natural persons' in the disputes arising in the private and public sectors
6.	Knowledge of qualification of law violations and disputes arising in public administration sector: Ability to self-identify minor offences committed by the public or private sector actors, and capacity to apply the appropriate measures of responsibility for natural or legal persons.	6.1	Ability to analyze the EU's administrative system elements to provide an overview of its application in EU and to examine the legal aspects of the regulation.
7.	Knowledge of the principles of Public Administration Law: ability to reveal the European Union principles, its peculiarities, to analyze the features of the European Union legal regulation.	7.1	Ability to provide a detailed knowledge about the latest scientific theories of Public Administration and Human Rights Protection Laws, separate administrative institutes, their functioning mechanisms, mission and evolution, development outlook and comparison with the foreign policy of legal trends.

16. COURSE STRUCTURE DIAGRAM WITH CREDITS

Code	Course units	ECTS credits	Student's workload	Contact work hours	Independent work hours	Programme competences						
						Generic competences				Subject specific competences		
						1	2	3	4	5	6	7
						Key learning outcomes						
						1.1	2.1	3.1	4.1	5.1	6.1	7.1
1st YEAR		60	1620	436	1184							
1 SEMESTER		30	810	266	544							
Compulsory courses		30	810	266	544							
	Alternative Dispute Resolution	6	162	34	128	x		x				x
	International Protection of Human Rights	6	162	34	128			x	x			x
	Topical Issues of Private Law	6	162	66	96			x	x	x		
	Topical Issues of Procedural Law	6	162	66	96		x	x	x			
	Topical Issues of Public Law	6	162	66	96	x	x		x			
2 SEMESTER		30	810	170	640							
Compulsory courses		30	810	170	640							
	Comparative Constitutional Law	6	162	34	128		x	x				
	European Union Institutional Law	6	162	50	112			x	x		x	
	Implementation of the European Convention on Human Rights	6	162	34	128	x			x			
	Legal Framework of Public Administration	6	162	34	128	x		x			x	x
	Master Thesis	6	162	18	144			x		x	x	x

2nd YEAR		60	1620	114	1506							
3 SEMESTER		30	810	112	698							
Compulsory courses		30	810	112	698							
	Administrative Justice	6	162	34	128	x		x	x	x		
	Constitutional Justice	6	162	34	128		x		x			
	European Administrative Law	6	162	34	128		x				x	
	Internship	12	324	10	314	x	x		x		x	
4 SEMESTER		30	810	2	808							
Compulsory courses		30	810	2	808							
	Final Examination	6	162	2	160	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	Master Thesis	24	648	0	648		x	x			x	x
