

COURSE DATA

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Study (s)
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1303 - Degree in Law		Faculty of Law	4 First term

Subject-matter			
Degree	Subject-matter	Character	
1303 - Degree in Law	45 - Nationality and immigration	Optional	

Coordination

Name	Department
AZCARRAGA MONZONIS, CARMEN	65 - International Law 'Adolfo Miaja de la Muela'

SUMMARY

The optional course Nationality and Immigration Law is integrated in the international law itinerary and it is directly related with the mandatory subject Private International Law.

Nationality Law is the sector of the Spanish law system that regulates the ways of attribution and acquisition of the Spanish nationality, its conversion, loss and recovery, as well as double-nationality and statelessness situations. At the same time, immigration law studies the rights and freedoms of foreign citizens in Spain: their entry, stay and exit of the national territory, as well as the penalty regime applicable to this area. Furthermore, the European integration process has led to a specific intra-European circulation regime and the special status in Spain for European citizens and their relatives. Finally, the Spanish asylum regime will also be addressed.



PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE

Relationship to other subjects of the same degree

There are no specified enrollment restrictions with other subjects of the curriculum.

Other requirements

We recommend to students that enrol in this course to have previously completed the Private international Law course.

OUTCOMES

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- Recognise the importance of law as a system for regulating social relations.
- Know the content and application of each of the branches of the legal system.
- Understand the legal system as unitary and have an interdisciplinary perspective of legal problems.
- Be able to apply constitutional principles and values, the respect for human rights, with special attention to equality between men and women, sustainability and the culture of peace as working tools in the interpretation of the legal system.
- Know the community and international regulatory framework, its institutions and their functioning.
- Be able to use legal sources (legal, jurisprudential and doctrinal).
- Be able to read and interpret legal texts.
- Be able to communicate correctly both orally and in writing in the field of law.
- Be able to analyse legal problems and synthesise their approach and resolution.
- Develop critical awareness for the analysis of the legal system and develop the legal dialectic.
- Know, understand and know how to apply the interrelation between law and other non-legal disciplines.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Competence 1

Ability to approach migration flows (related to specific competences of grade 1, 2, 18).

Competence 2

Understand the basic Nationality and Immigration Law principles (specific competences 2, 6, 7, 8).



Competence 3

Be able to critically analyse the legal status of a foreign citizen in Spain (specific competences 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 10, 11).

Competence 4

Be able to identify, assess and criticize the teleological and axiological objectives pursued by the legislator when creating the nationality and immigration laws (specific competences 2, 3,4, 6, 9, 10, 11).

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS

1. Nationality and the right to a Nationality

- 1. Concept and legal nature of the national link
- 2. Legal Sources of Nationality Law

2. Acquisition of the Spanish nationality

- 1.- General criteria for the acquisition of the Spanish nationality
- 2.- Acquisition of the Spanish nationality by natural filiation
- 3.- Acquisition of the Spanish nationality by adoptive filiation
- 4.- Acquisition of the Spanish nationality by birth in a Spanish territory.

3. Acquisition of the Spanish nationality (continuation)

- 1.- Acquisition of the Spanish nationality by option.
- 2.-Acquisition of the Spanish nationality by naturalization.
- a. Naturalization by letter of nature
- b. Naturalization by residence.
- 3. Acquisition of the Spanish nationality by status possession.

4. Loss, conservation and recovery of the Spanish nationality

- 1.- Loss of the Spanish nationality
- a.Involuntary loss
- b. Loss by way of sanction.
- 2.- Nullity of the acquisition of the Spanish Nationality
- 3.- Conservation of the Spanish nationality



5. Nationality conflicts

- 1.- The double nationality
- 2. Statelessness

6. Inmigration Law

- 1.- The foreigner and Inmigration Law
- 2.- The sources of Inmigration Law

7. Rights, Freedoms, legal guarantees and obligations of foreigners in Spain

- 1.- Rights: Documentation. Freedom of movement. Public participation. Healthcare. Education.Family privacy.
- 2.-Freedoms: Of assembly and demonstration. Of association. Of trade unionism and the right to strike.
- 3.- Legal guarantees: Effective judicial protection. Free legal aid.
- 4.- Obligations: Documentation. Taxation.

8. Entry of foreigners to Spain

- 1. Transit
- 2. Entry: Concept. Access to the national territory. Paperwork. Visas. Refusal of entry. Prohibition of entry. Obligations for carriers. Re-entry authorization.

9. Stay of foreign nationals in Spain

- 1. Stay: Concept. Extension of stay. Stay of students and researchers. Stay for no labour practices or voluntary services. Stay for job-seeking.
- 2. Residence: Concept. Temporary non-lucrative residence. Temporary residence on the ground of exceptional circumstances. Temporary residence and work. Residence of minors. Residence of stateless and undocumented persons and refugees. Long-term residence. EU long-term residence.

10. Family reunification

- 1. Family reunification: Concept. Family members eligible for reunification. Procedure.
- 2. Independent residence of reunified family members.
- 2. Family reunification for reunified residents.



11. Labour of foreigners in Spain

- 1.- Collective management of hiring in origin: Foreign workforce: Concept. Legal regime.
- 2. Work authorizations:
- a. Authorization of temporary residence and work authorization for paid employment.
- b. Authorization of temporary residence and work authorization for self-employment.
- c. Modification of labour situations for foreign nationals in Spain.

12. Infringements and sanctions in Immigration Law

- 1.- Infringements: classes. Limitation period.
- 2. Sanctions: Classes. Limitation period.
- 3. Sanction procedure: Classes.
- 4. Alien detention centers. Admission and functioning. Rights and obligations of alien internees.

13. Departure from national territory

- 1.- Voluntary departure. Court-authorized departure. Prohibition of departure.
- 2. Compulsory departure. Refoulment. Repatriation. Return. Expulsion.

14. Applicable regime for EU-citizens and other EEA States

- 1.- Legal sources
- 2.- Personal scope of application.
- 3.- Entry and freedom of movement.
- 4.- Residence.

15. International protection in Spain

- 1.- Legal Sources.
- 2.- International protection in Law 12/2009.
- 3.- Right to asylum.
- 4.- Subsidiary protection.



WORKLOAD

ACTIVITY	Hours	% To be attended
Theoretical and practical classes	45,00	100
Attendance at events and external activities	2,00	0
Study and independent work	2,50	0
Readings supplementary material	4,00	0
Preparation of evaluation activities	31,50	0
Preparing lectures	6,00	0
Preparation of practical classes and problem	10,00	0
Resolution of case studies	4,50	0
TOTAL	105,50	

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

The teaching methodology will combine lectures and activities such as case-resolution, analysis of judgements and other immigration-and-nationality-related decisions. Likewise, the organization of supplementary activities such as seminars and conferences by experts in the subject matter is foreseen, along with regular tests throughout the duration of the course. All the above will be taken into account in order to set the final grade in the framework of continuous evaluation. Class attendance -with the relevant legislation in hand- will be required in order to follow the explanations and solve the practical cases that will be raised.

EVALUATION

Evaluation system

- **A.** Written and/or oral evaluation that may consist of one or several exams that may be objective and may include theoretical and practical questions and/or problems.
- **B.** Continuous evaluation, based on the regular attendance and active participation in the proposed classroom activities, such as practical realization or participation in workshops, preparation and/or submission of papers, reports and/or presentations regarding those activities, in a collective or individual way. The implication and effort shown by the student in the process of teaching/learning during the development of such activities will be considered.
- **C.** Continuous evaluation, based on the attendance of the student to the seminars or visits to different institutions, and, when necessary, the submission of papers, reports and/or presentations regarding those activities, in a collective or individual way. The implication and effort shown by the student in the process of teaching/learning during the development of such activities will be considered.



Grading / Weighing

A 70%

B+C 30%

Regardless of the general assessment system established for all students (written or oral exam), the lecturers responsible for the subject may determine in the Syllabus Annex the possibility of changing, well-founded, the final exam modality when they are forced to hold the exam on a date different from the official one under the rules established for coincidence of exams in the Regulations on Assessment and Grading of the Undergraduate and Master's Degrees of the University of Valencia, or any other cause established by regulation (e.g. justified force majeure). In these cases, the new type of exam to be taken must maintain the same level of difficulty as the general one.

Students who have followed the continuous assessment and have obtained a grade in this regard, in the event of not taking the final exam on the official date (both in 1st and 2nd calls), will obtain the grade "NO PRESENTADO".

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- MARTIN SANZ, L.V.: Movilidad, extranjería y nacionalidad, Centro de Estudios Financieros, 4ª edic.,
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- FUENTES I GASÓ, J.R., GIFREU I FONT, J., y MARÍN CONSARNAU, D. (dir.): Esquemas de extranjería, 2a edición, Tirant lo Blanch, Valencia, 2021
- VVAA: Vademecum Extranjería, Colex, A Coruña, 2022