

Subject card

Subject name and code	International and EU Climate change law , PG_00072798						
Field of study	Environmental Law and Sustainable Development						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2026/2027		
Education level	Master's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study		
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	2		Language of instruction		English		
Semester of study	4		ECTS credits		3.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Department of Public Economic Law and Environmental Protection Law -> Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Maciej Nyka				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	30.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours		Self-study	SUM
	Number of study hours	30		2.0		30.0	62
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to present to students the issues of climate protection in the law and policy of the European Union						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[ELSDMU2_U06] Student is able to efficiently acquire knowledge and develop his/her professional skills, using various sources (in native and foreign languages) and modern technologies	is able to efficiently acquire knowledge in the area of climate change mitigation and adaptation law and develop his/her professional skills using various sources (in the native and foreign language) and modern technologies	[SU2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[ELSDMU2_W08] knows methods and tools, including data and information acquisition techniques and research methods, appropriate for legal sciences and other related disciplines, including disciplines from other scientific fields	Knows methods and tools, including data acquisition techniques, information and research data in the area of European climate protection law	[SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[ELSDMU2_U04] Graduates have the ability to analyze, apply and interpret relevant norms of international environmental law	The student acquires the ability to analyse, apply and interpret the relevant provisions in the field of European climate law	[SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[ELSDMU2_K03] The graduate is ready to fulfill social obligations, inspire and organize activities for the benefit of the social environment, initiate actions for the public interest in the area of environmental protection, think and act in an entrepreneurial way taking into account the principle of sustainable development.	The graduate is ready to fulfill social obligations, inspire and organize activities for the benefit of the social environment, initiate actions for the public interest in the area of climate protection, think and act in an entrepreneurial way taking into account the principle of sustainable development	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[ELSDMU2_W04] Graduates understand principles and rules referring to using the environment, environmental regulation of economic activity and legal instruments which introduce those rules and principles.	Graduates understand the rules and regulations concerning the use of the environment, the environmental regulation of economic activity and the legal and climatic conditions of this regulation of the use of the environment	[SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[ELSDMU2_U07] Student is able to use and integrate theoretical knowledge in the field of law and related scientific disciplines in order to analyze and interpret complex legal problems	can use and integrate theoretical knowledge in the field of law and related scientific disciplines in order to analyse and interpret complex legal problems in the area of climate change protection and adaptation in EU law	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[ELSDMU2_U01] The graduate is able to independently plan and implement his/her own lifelong learning and guide others in this area.	The graduate is able to independently plan and implement their own lifelong learning in the area of climate protection law	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[ELSDMU2_W03] The graduate knows and understands the fundamental dilemmas of modern civilization. The graduate knows and understands the economic, legal and other conditions of various types of activities related to the awarded qualification, including the principles of industrial property protection and copyright.	The graduate knows and understands the fundamental dilemmas of modern civilization related to climate protection. The graduate knows and understands the economic, legal and other conditions of various types of activities related to the awarded qualification, including the principles of industrial property protection and copyright law	[SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
	[ELSDMU2_K02] The graduate is ready to responsibly perform professional roles, taking into account the changing social needs, including: - developing the achievements of the profession, - maintaining the ethos of the profession, - observing and developing the principles of professional ethics and acting for the observance of these principles	The graduate is ready to responsibly perform professional roles, taking into account the changing social needs, in particular those relating to the issues of legal aspects of climate change, including: - developing the achievements of the profession, - upholding the ethos of the profession, - observing and developing the principles of professional ethics and acting for the observance of these principles	[SK2] presentation/project/paper/report

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	[ELSDMU2_W02] The graduate knows and understands to an in-depth degree - selected facts, objects and phenomena as well as methods and theories related to them explaining the complex relationships between them, constituting advanced general knowledge in the field of scientific or artistic disciplines forming the theoretical foundations, structured and theoretically based knowledge covering key issues and selected issues in the field of advanced detailed knowledge - appropriate for the curriculum of the field of Environmental Law and Sustainable Development. The graduate knows and understands the main trends in the development of scientific or artistic disciplines relevant to the curriculum.	The graduate knows and understands to an in-depth degree - selected facts, objects and phenomena related to the European climate law and the methods and theories related to them explaining the complex relationships between them, constituting advanced general knowledge in the field of scientific or artistic disciplines forming the theoretical foundations, structured and theoretically based knowledge covering key issues and selected issues in the field of advanced detailed knowledge - specific to the program education in the field of Environmental Law and Sustainable Development. The graduate knows and understands the main development trends in scientific or artistic disciplines relevant to the curriculum	[SW2] presentation/project/paper/report
	[ELSDMU2_W07] Student has a structured knowledge of the types of legal relations and the regularities that govern them	has a structured knowledge of the type of legal relations relating to legal climate protection and the regularities governing these relations	[SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion
Subject contents	EU climate policy EU emissions trading system Regulation of emissions from non-ETS sectors Renewable energy consumption Energy efficiency Carbon capture and storage Multi-level governance in EU climate law Human rights and EU climate law		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	test, 30 questions, 30 minutes	51.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	E. Woerdman, M. Roggenamp, M. Holwerda (ed.) Essential EU Climate Law (2 ed) Edward Elgar 2021 P. Thieffry (ed.) Handbook of European Environmental and Climate law Bruylant 2021 J. de Cendra de Larragan Distributional Choices in EU Climate Change Law and Policy. Towards a Principled Approach Wolters Kluwer 2011	
	Supplementary literature	Marjan Peeters, Mark Stallworthy, Javier de Cendra de Larragán (ed.) Climate Law in EU Member States. Towards National Legislation for Climate Protection. Edward Elgar 2012	
	eResources addresses		

Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Describe economic instruments of climate change protection in EU Law Describe the cup and trade mechanism in EU ETS Institutional framework of EU climate change law
Work placement	Not applicable

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