

Subject card

Subject name and code	Public competition law - auditorium classes, PG_00135806						
Field of study	Administration						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2025/2026		
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	1		Language of instruction		Polish		
Semester of study	2		ECTS credits		2.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		credit		
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 Justyna Przedańska				
	Teachers		dr Justyna Przedańska				
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	0.0	15.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15
	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	15		0.0		35.0	50
Subject objectives	The aim of the course is to familiarise students with the institutions and mechanisms of public competition law enforcement, both at the national level (with a particular focus on the role of the Polish Competition Authority UOKiK) and within the European Union. The course develops students ability to analyse factual situations in light of competition law rules, particularly those concerning restrictive practices, abuse of dominant position, and merger control. The exercises are designed to build practical understanding of the function of public competition law in safeguarding public interest, consumer protection, and the integrity of the internal market.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[ADMINMU2_WG02] At an advanced level, the student identifies and understands the legal and administrative conditions of various forms of social and economic life, including the rights and obligations of individuals towards other individuals and state authorities.	The student is able to identify the legal and administrative grounds for public intervention in cases of competition law violations, and to define the rights and obligations of undertakings in relation to state authorities.	[SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report [SW5] implementation of a problem task
	[ADMINMU2_KO02] The student has an advanced awareness of the necessity to take actions (including organizational ones) that will protect the public interest, social interest, and legitimate individual interests.	The student understands the importance of public competition law in protecting the public interest and consumers, and is able to identify administrative measures aimed at preventing competition violations and promoting fair market conditions.	[SK1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SK2] presentation/project/paper/report [SK4] test/exam - oral or written [SK6] demonstration of practical skills [SK8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[ADMINMU2_UW01] Using his own knowledge and sources of information, the student is able to analyze and resolve complex problems, as well as interpret legal, social, and political phenomena within the scope of administration and administrative activities.	The student is able to analyse and independently resolve complex cases related to competition law, including anticompetitive practices, abuse of dominance, and merger control, using both acquired knowledge and relevant legal sources such as legislation and case law.	[SU1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SU2] presentation/project/paper/report [SU4] test/exam - oral or written [SU5] implementation of a problem task [SU6] demonstration of practical skills [SU8] observation of student's independent or team work
	[ADMINMU2_WK03] The student knows and understands the current dilemmas regarding the functioning of institutions of substantive and procedural law in the sphere of the state and administration. Furthermore, he identifies key phenomena occurring in the market economy and public finance, and also knows and understands the basic principles governing the operation of various forms of entrepreneurship.	The student is able to identify and interpret key problems and dilemmas related to the application of competition law in the market economy, especially concerning the relationship between businesses and public authorities.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written [SW1] oral statement/conversation/discussion [SW2] presentation/project/paper/report [SW3] text preparation/written work [SW5] implementation of a problem task
Subject contents	Introduction to the practical application of public competition law overview of legal framework, scope of the Polish Competition Authority (UOKiK), interaction with EU law (Articles 101-102 TFEU); institutional landscape: UOKiK, European Commission, competition courts. Identification of anti-competitive practices analysis of Article 6 of the Polish Competition and Consumer Protection Act; case studies on horizontal and vertical agreements, price fixing, market sharing interpretation of national and EU case law. Abuse of dominant position application of Article 9 of the national act and Article 102 TFEU to abuse scenarios (e.g. predatory pricing, refusal to supply); interpretation of UOKiK and EC decisions practical examples. Merger control and notification thresholds notification thresholds, conditional clearances, prohibition of concentrations; workshop: analysis of merger notification form and UOKiK conditional clearance. Competition law and the public sector public entities and municipal undertakings acting on the market: when do they fall under competition rules? discussion of ECJ case law (e.g. Altmark, Leipzig-Halle) and national jurisprudence. Remedies and sanctions under competition law fines, structural and behavioural remedies, commitments; procedure before UOKiK: rights of parties, appeals, judicial review.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	test	50.0%	100.0%
Recommended reading	Basic literature	A. Stawicki, E. Stawicki (red.), <i>Ustawa o ochronie konkurencji i konsumentów. Komentarz</i>, Wolters Kluwer, Warszawa 2025 J. Król-Bogomińska, <i>Prawo konkurencji</i>, Wolters Kluwer, Warszawa 2020. W. Hartung, <i>Nadużycie pozycji dominującej w orzecznictwie krajowym i unijnym</i>, C.H. Beck, Warszawa 2021. - Decisions of the President of the Office of Competition and Consumer Protection (UOKiK) and case law of the Court of Competition and Consumer Protection (SOKiK) available online: https://decyzje.uokik.gov.pl	

	Supplementary literature	1. T. Skoczny (red.), <i>System Prawa Ochrony Konkurencji i Konsumentów. Tom I i II</i>, C.H. Beck, Warszawa 2021 2. Decisions of the President of the Office of Competition and Consumer Protection (UOKiK) and case law of the Court of Competition and Consumer Protection (SOKiK) available online: https://decyzje.uokik.gov.pl
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed		
Work placement	Not applicable	

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