University of Gdańsk

Subject card

Subject name and code	Business Law, PG_00199296						
Field of study	Economics						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject	2026/2027			
Education level	Master's studies		Subject group	Obligatory subject group in the field of study Subject group related to scientific research 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	1		ECTS credits	6.0			
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form	credit			
Conducting unit	Department of Commercial Law -> Faculty of Law and Administration -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor	dr hab. Joanna Kruczalak-Jankowska					
	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		4.0	116.0	150	
Subject objectives	To familiarize students with civil law issues of economic transactions, with particular emphasis on the legal structure of commercial companies, cooperatives, commercial activities, including the specificity of contracts concluded in commercial transactions and their typical forms.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[EKONMU2_K01] recognises the importance of knowledge in the field of economics in the process of identifying and solving economic problems and of consulting experts when having difficulties in solving them independently	Understands the importance of continuous improvement of professional competences and monitoring changes in commercial law and market regulations. o Is aware of the impact of new legal regulations on legal practice and the need to update them regularly.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[EKONMU2_W10] knows the terms and principles of protection of industrial property and copyright, and understands the necessity of management of intellectual property resources	Understands what patents, trademarks, utility models and industrial designs are and knows the process of registering them. o Is able to identify infringements of industrial property and knows procedures for protection against such infringements	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[EKONMU2_W11] knows the detailed principles of establishing and developing forms of individual entrepreneurship, using the knowledge of economics, finance and management sciences	Uses knowledge from economics, sociology, political science and management to better understand the legal context. o Is able to analyze legal problems from an interdisciplinary perspective, taking into account various social, economic and political aspects.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[EKONMU2_U12] can independently plan and implement lifelong learning, and inspire and organise the learning process of others	Knows legal regulations regarding the creation and implementation of social projects. o Is able to prepare legal documentation necessary for the implementation of the project, including contracts, regulations and other required documents	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[EKONMU2_K03] inspires and organises preparation of economic and social projects, following the idea of sustainable development, reconciling legal, economic, ecological, political and social requirements	Carefully analyzes the requirements and goals of the task before starting its implementation. o Collects and prepares the necessary materials and information needed to complete the task.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[EKONMU2_W07] has an in-depth knowledge of economic and financial principles governing the functioning and management of economic entities and organisations, as well as of systems of legal, organisational, professional, moral and ethical norms and rules organising public structures and institutions, both in the national and international spheres	Is able to correctly interpret and apply commercial law provisions in various professional situations. o Knows the regulations regarding commercial companies, commercial contracts, business transactions and bankruptcy and restructuring.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[EKONMU2_K05] correctly identifies, diagnoses and solves advanced dilemmas and alternative solutions related to the profession	Carefully analyzes the requirements and goals of the task before starting its implementation. o Collects and prepares the necessary materials and information needed to complete the task.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[EKONMU2_W08] has an in-depth knowledge of processes occurring in enterprises and economic organisations and with related areas, as well as of processes of change in public institutions; knows methods of research on the regularities governing these changes, taking into account the influence of external stakeholders on them	Knows legal regulations regarding registration, taxation and administrative obligations related to sole proprietorship. o Can advise on the selection of the legal form of business activity and its transformation	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[EKONMU2_U05] uses (legal, professional, ethical) normative systems and can effectively solve complex economic and social problems using them	Is able to recognize situations in which moral values and legal norms conflict. o Is able to identify key ethical and legal issues in specific professional cases	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written

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[EKONMU2_K02] is aware of the level of their knowledge in the area of solving complex problems in economic,; understands the need to extend and update this knowledge throughout his/her life	Is able to identify basic legal phenomena occurring in the area of commercial law. o Analyzes the connections between various branches of commercial law and other areas of law and legal sciences	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written

Subject contents

Introduction to commercial law The place of commercial law among legal branches and disciplines Relationships between commercial law and civil law Sources of commercial law Entrepreneur concept Proxy and the entrepreneur's company Civil law consequences of registering entrepreneurs partnership Partnerships General partnership A partnership Limited partnership partnership Limited by shares Capital companies limited liability company A simple joint stock company Joint-stock company Merger, division and transformation of companies Groups of companies (holdings) European Company and European Economic Interest Grouping Cooperative in Polish and European law General issues of commercial contracts Types of commercial contracts Features of trade contracts Trade agreements in goods turnover, with particular emphasis on international sales Contracts for the use of goods (leasing) Agreements on the use of things and rights (license, know-how, franchising) Banking activities (bank account agreement, bank loan and loan agreement, documentary letter of credit) Commercial intermediation agreements (agency, commission, dealer) Agreements regarding transport activities (transport contract, forwarding contract) Factoring and forfeiting Securities in business transactions

The student gathers and prepares the necessary materials and information needed to complete the task outside of classes and in consultation with the instructor.

Prerequisites and co-requisites

Assessment methods and criteria

Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
test exam	51.0%	100.0%

Recommended reading

Basic literature	B.Gliniecki, Leksykon prawa spółek. 100 podstawowych pojęć, C.H. Beck J.Kruczalak-Jankowska, An Outline of Polish Commercial Law, Wolters Kluwer W.J. Katner, Prawo gospodarcze i handlowe, Warsaw (the newest issue) R. Lewandowski, Commenracial Law. Introduction Warsaw (the newest issue)
Supplementary literature	Kodeks spółek handlowych, Komentarz, Warszawa (the newest issue)
eResources addresses	

Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed

Civil Code as a source of commercial law of particular importance?

How can a limited liability company be established? and what is needed to register it?

What does freedom mean in business activity?

Work placement

Not applicable

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