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PEOPLES' FRIENDSHIP UNIVERSITY OF RUSSIA
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LAW INSTITUTE

educational division (faculty/institute/academy) as higher education programme developer

COURSE SYLLABUS

Legal Tech: Advanced Course

(Course title)

Recommended by the Didactic Council for the Education Field

40.03.01 JURISPRUDENCE

(Code and Name of the Field of Education / Specialty)

The course instruction is implemented within the professional education programme of higher education:

BACHELOR OF LAWS (LLB)

higher education programme profile/specialisation title

2024

1. COURSE GOAL

The main goal of the course is to provide students with theoretical knowledge about the automation and digitalization of the legal function. The course includes topics on data analysis, automation of legal processes, and artificial intelligence.

2. REQUIREMENTS FOR LEARNING OUTCOMES

The course is aimed at building and enhancing the following target competencies (parts of competencies):

Table 2.1. List of target competencies (parts of competencies)

Code (GC, GPC, PC)	Competence	Competence indicators
GC-2	GC-12. Can find the necessary information sources and data, comprehend, analyze, memorize and transfer information using digital devices and algorithms, use various types of information from different sources to solve problems in an efficient way; evaluates the information, its authenticity, infer and deduct based on the input data and information	GC-12.1. Searches for the necessary information sources and data, comprehends, analyzes, memorizes and transfers information using digital devices and algorithms, uses various types of information from different sources to solve problems in an efficient way GC-12.2. Evaluates the information, its authenticity, infers and deducts based on the input data and information
PC-2	PC-2. Can apply legal norms in specific legal areas and use them in the way prescribed by law	PC-2.4. Has mastered the methods of searching for cases of implementation of law and monitoring it in order to complete professional tasks;

3. COURSE IN HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The course refers to the core/variable/elective* component of (B1) block of the higher educational programme curriculum.

* - Underline whatever applicable.

Within the higher education programme students also master other (modules) and / or internships that contribute to the achievement of the expected learning outcomes as results of the course study.

Table 3.1. The list of components of the Educational Program of Higher Education that contribute to the achievement of the expected results of the development of the course

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
GC-2	GC-12. Can find the necessary information sources and data, comprehend, analyze, memorize and transfer information using digital devices and algorithms, use various types of information from different sources to solve problems in an efficient way; evaluates the information, its authenticity, infer and deduct based on the input data and information	Theory of State and Law Foundations of Economics and Management Foundations of Rhetoric and Communication Computer Science Legal Design	Interdisciplinary Course Paper
PC-2	PC-2. Can apply legal norms in specific legal areas and use them in the way prescribed by law	Information Technologies in Legal Practice (Fundamentals of Legal Tech) Administrative Law Civil Law Basic Provisions of Civil Law Implementation and Protection of Civil Rights. Right of Ownership and Other in Rem Rights Law of Obligations. Tort Law Contract Law Intellectual Property Law. Inheritance Law Family Law Civil and Commercial Procedure Financial Law and Tax Law International Public Law Environmental Law and Land Law Labor Law International Private Law Commercial Law and Corporations Theory of Legal Argumentation	Workshop "Procedural Documents in Civil Cases" Workshop "Procedural Documents in Administrative Cases" Workshop "Procedural Documents in Criminal Cases" Workshop "Procedural Documents in International Disputes" Workshop "Procedural Documents in Constitutional Procedure" Workshop "Negotiations and Contracts" Workshop "Drafting Legal Letters, Memos & Legal Opinions" Interdisciplinary Course Paper Work Experience (Judicial) Internship Work Experience (Pre-graduation) Internship

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
		Fundamentals of Medicine Law	

* To be filled in according to the competence matrix of the higher education programme.

4. COURSE WORKLOAD AND ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

The total workload of the course is 3 credits (108 academic hours).

Table 4.1. Types of academic activities for full-time education

Types of academic activities	TOTAL, academic hours	Semester / Module			
		D	E	F	G
<i>Classroom learning, academic hours</i>	30			30	
including:					
Lectures (LC)	10			10	
Lab work (LW)					
Seminars (workshops/tutorials) (S)	20			20	
<i>Self-study (ies), academic hours</i>	60			60	
<i>Evaluation and assessment (exam or pass/fail grading)</i>	18			18	
Course Workload	academic hours	108		108	
	credits	3		3	

5. COURSE CONTENTS

Table 5.1. The content of the course and types of academic activities

Course Units / Sections	Topics	Type of academic activity*
Section 1. The concept and directions of development of LegalTech in Russia	1. The concept and features of LegalTech. 2. History of development of LegalTech in the world. 3. Classification of technologies within LegalTech. 4. Directions of LegalTech development. 5. Legal regulation of the LegalTech sphere in Russia.	LC / S
Section 2. LegalTech in legal education	1. The current state and possibilities for the implementation of digital competencies in legal education. 2. Modern digital technologies in legal education. 3. LegalTech and digital competencies	LC / S

Course Units / Sections	Topics	Type of academic activity*
Section 3. Information technology support for legal activities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Automation of legal activities: current state and development prospects. 2. Information systems in public administration (GovTech) current state and development prospects. 3. Information and technological support of legislative activity. 4. Digital technologies in legal proceedings e-justice. 5. Organizational and technological support for the legal activities of the organization. 6. Information technology support for law enforcement. 7. Current state and development of FinTech in the financial sector. 8. Regulatory (RegTech) and supervisory (SupTech) technologies: concept, current state and development prospects. 9. Information technology support of the electoral process. 10. LegalTech in combating corruption. 	LC / S
Section 4. Technologies and systems for searching and systematizing legal information in reference legal systems	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General questions of search and systematization of legal information in reference legal systems. 2. Technology of information search in the environment of reference legal system "ConsultantPlus". 3. Technology of information search in the environment of information and legal support "Garant". 4. Information retrieval technology in the environment of the professional reference system "Kodeks" 	LC / S
Section 5. The current state and possibilities of using LawTech, LegalDesign. Designers of legal documents.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Current state and possibilities of using LawTech. 2. The current state and possibilities of using LegalDesign in legal activities. 3. Constructors of legal documents. 	LC / S
Section 6. Technologies of virtual and augmented reality. Artificial intelligence technologies, blockchain, systematization and storage of data in the process of implementing LegalTech solutions.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Technologies of virtual and augmented reality. 2. Artificial intelligence technologies in the implementation of LegalTech solutions. 3. Possibilities of using blockchain technology in the implementation of LegalTech solutions. 4. Technologies for systematization and data storage as LegalTech solutions. 	LC / S

Course Units / Sections	Topics	Type of academic activity*
Section 7. Using LegalTech as a way to optimize resources when signing documents. Technologies for obtaining and analyzing legal statistical information.	1. Using LegalTech as a way to optimize resources when signing documents. 2. Technologies for obtaining and analyzing legal statistical information.	LC / S
Section 8. Problems and prospects for the development of LegalTech in Russia	1. Modern LegalTech market in Russia: participants, key segments. 2. Promising areas, growth factors and barriers to the development of LegalTech in Russia. 3. Application of LegalTech in the field of electronic interaction in entrepreneurial activity. 4. Problems of ensuring information security in the field of LegalTech.	LC / S

* - filled in **only for full-time** education: LC - lectures; LW - laboratory work; S - seminars.

6. CLASSROOM EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS

Table 6.1. Classroom Equipment and Technology Support Requirements

Type of academic activities	Classroom equipment	Specialised educational / laboratory equipment, software, and materials for course study (if necessary)
Lecture	Classroom for lectures, equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams), Chrome
Lab	Classroom for lab work, group and individual consultations, evaluation and assessment, equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams), Chrome
Seminars	Classroom for seminars, group and individual consultations, evaluation and assessment, equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams), Chrome

Type of academic activities	Classroom equipment	Specialised educational / laboratory equipment, software, and materials for course study (if necessary)
Computer classroom	Computer classroom for academic activity, group and individual consultations, evaluation and assessment, equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, 30 personal computers, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams), Chrome
Self-studies Classroom	Classroom for Self-studies, equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams), Chrome
Courtroom	Classroom for court hearing simulation equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams), Chrome

* - It is necessary to specify a classroom for self-study of students

7. RESOURCES RECOMMENDED FOR COURSE STUDY

Main readings:

1. The LegalTech Book: The Legal Technology Handbook for Investors, Entrepreneurs and FinTech Visionaries by Sophia Adams Bhatti, Akber Dato, Drago Indjic | English | June 7th, 2020 | ISBN: 1119574277 | 282 pages | True EPUB | 2.64 MB

2. Ashley K. Artificial Intelligence and Legal Analytics: New Tools for Law Practice in the Digital Age. Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2017. 426 p.

Additional (optional) reading (sources):

1. Kartskhia A.A. Digital revolution: new technologies and new reality // Legal informatics. 2017. No. 1.

2. Richard K. Neumann. Legal Memos: Templates, Tips, and Structures. ISBN: 9780409343212. 2017.

3. Nichola Corbett-Jarvis. Effective legal writing : a practical approach. ISBN: 9781454886525. 2017.

Internet-(based) sources:

1. Electronic libraries with access for RUDN students

- RUDN Electronic Library System (RUDN ELS) <http://lib.rudn.ru/MegaPro/Web>

- EL "University Library Online" <http://www.biblioclub.ru>

- EL "Yurayt" <http://www.biblio-online.ru>

- EL "Student Consultant" www.studentlibrary.ru

- EL "Lan" <http://e.lanbook.com/>
- EL "Trinity Bridge"

2. Databases and search engines:

- electronic foundation of legal and normative-technical documentation <http://docs.cntd.ru/>
- Yandex search engine <https://www.yandex.ru/>
- Google search engine <https://www.google.ru/>
- Scopus abstract database <http://www.elsevierscience.ru/products/scopus>

A complete list of ELS, databases and search engines is provided on the website of the Educational and Scientific Information Library Center (Scientific Library) of RUDN University <https://lib.rudn.ru>

* - Learning toolkits for self-studies in the RUDN Learning materials for self-studies on the relevant course pages in TUIS

8. ASSESSMENT TOOLKIT AND GRADING SYSTEM* FOR EVALUATION OF STUDENTS' COMPETENCES LEVEL UPON COURSE COMPLETION

The assessment toolkit and the grading system* to evaluate the competences formation level (competences in part) upon the course study completion are specified in the Appendix to the course syllabus.

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