Master en Ciencias Jurídicas		
Course : Constructing the Idea of Labor Law in a Globalized	Term: 3	
Economy	Credits: 5	
	Language:	
	English	
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Course description

Theoretical approach: The course's goal is to analyse scholarly contributions on the debates of Labor Law as a regulatory instrument of industrial relations in the current global scenario. Within this theoretical framework, we will study the principal current debates on Labor Law: subjects, employees and employers, sources of regulation and social actors such as unions and multinationals under a perspective of social governance of employment relations as part of democratic systems.

Skills: We will ask students to address a set of questions about the historical and current scenario of Labor Law, examining the notion of employees and employer, and the new forms of regulation from a multi-level methodological perspective and familiarising themselves with the new challenges that the academy is facing in the globalised labor market.

Requirements

English.

Methodology Lectures, and active participation based on the readings. Syllabus Session 1 Constructing a Labor Law theory: elements of analysis. Session 2 Workers and employees: the new frontier of Labor Law. Sessions 3 The notion of employers: temporary agencies and chains of employers. Session 4 Corporations and production networks as the venue for labor rights. Session 5 New forms of regulation: from hard to soft labor law. Session 6 The role of social dialogue and collective bargaining as sources of regulation. Session 7 International unions and other channels of worker representation: new forms of action. Session 8 Conflict and labor laws: the role of strikes and action in the reconstruction of Labor Law Session 9 United Nations and the ILO approach to Labor Law. Labor Law and redistribution of social risk: the welfare state Session 10 benefits.

Activities

Reading and commenting on the recommended bibliography.

Grading			
Concept		Comments	
Participation	60%	It is necessary to attend and participate in 100% of the classes. With adequate justification, one absence is possible.	
Final paper	40%	Final paper.	

Bibliography and materials

The recommended bibliography. The Idea of Labor Law , edit Guy Davidov and Brian Langille, Oxford University Press, 2011.