Department of Law

Stockholm University

Syllabus

for course at first level

EU Consumer Law
Europeisk konsumenträtt

3.5 Higher Education Credits
3.5 ECTS credits

Course code:	JU261F
Valid from:	Summer 2023
Date of approval:	2023-02-09
Department	Department of Law
Main field:	Legal Science
Specialisation:	GXX - First cycle, in-depth level of the course cannot be classified

Decision

Approved by the Education Committee of the Faculty of Law 09 February 2023.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

The course is intended for foreign students enrolled in an exchange programme at the Department of Law or in the Stockholm Business School Summer programme at Stockholm University.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
MOM1	EU consumer law	3.5

Course content

The aim of this course is to make the students aware of their consumer rights within the EU Member States in certain areas. It starts with explaining the history and core principles of consumer protection from the European Economic Community up to the current European Union. Then it focuses on six different areas of consumer protection; goods, services, product liability, e-commerce, financial services, and cross-border transactions. The focus is not only to teach the students the specific rights of consumers in these areas and how to enforce them, but also to make them compare the standards in their own country with the common (minimum) standards set in the EU Directives on consumer protection.

Learning outcomes

Knowledge and understanding
Upon completion of the course, students are expected to be able to:
- demonstrate knowledge of the theoretical framework of consumer rights within the EU, and
- understand the (leading) role of the EU providing consumers these rights in its Member States.

Skills and abilities
Upon completion of the course, students are expected to be able to:
- analyse and solve cases of consumer disputes within the EU, and
- reflect on critical areas in which the legal protection of consumers within the EU is still one step behind the challenges of the current practical and technical developments.

Judgement and approach
Upon completion of the course, students are expected to be able to:

- compare and evaluate the different implementations of EU Consumer Law Directives in the single Member States with the help of legal texts, both orally and in writing, independently and in groups.

Education

Instruction comprises 2 weeks of full-time studies and consists of lectures and seminars. A more detailed description of the course content is available in the course description and course schedule. The language of instruction is English.

Forms of examination

Examination is conducted through:
- Active participation at all teaching and
- A written exam.

Active attendance is mandatory at all teaching. Active attendance refers to students having prepared the assignments, if any, and being ready to participate in discussions about them. The language of examination is English.

All of the course's learning outcomes must be met and all activities passed in order to pass the course.

Students who fail the regular examination are given the opportunity for re-examination. Students who have passed are not entitled to undergo re-examination for higher grades. Students who are failed twice by the same examiner have the right to demand a different examiner when doing additional re-examinations. This does not however apply if there are specific reasons for not appointing a different examiner.

The grading scale for the course is as follows: Pass (G) or Fail (U).

A student with a certificate of special pedagogical support issued by Stockholm University has the right to alternative/accommodated forms of examination in accordance with the certificate.

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Completed course requirements are valid for two years. This also applies to students who de-register from the course through early withdrawal.

The course requirements in effect at the time of the student's first registration on the course may be completed within two years. After two years, the course requirements included in the most recently revised syllabus will apply.

Entry into force
These provisions will apply as of 1 March 2023.

Required reading

The course literature is approved by the head of department. Please refer to the course website and the course description for information about the required reading. The current reading list will be made available at least two months before the course starts.