# Fundamentals of Private Law

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***COURSE AIMS AND INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES***

The course aims to introduce students to the fundamental categories of private law and legal reasoning, through the examination of the individual institutions which are the subject of the programme.

At the end of the course students will be familiar with the fundamental institutions of private law, especially with regard to private law concerning assets.

***COURSE CONTENT***

1. Sources of private law.

2. Persons, facts, legal situations, protection and evidence.

3. Ownership and other rights in rem.

4. Obligations.

5. Contracts, choses in action and tort.

6. Single contracts.

7. Status of natural persons (general outline).

8. Succession (general outline).

***READING LIST***

The latest edition of any one of the following textbooks:

Roppo, *Diritto privato,* Giappichelli, Turin;

Torrente-Schlesinger, *Manuale di diritto privato,* Giuffrè, Milan (except for the parts dealing with the business, partnerships and companies).

Zatti-Colussi, *Lineamenti di diritto privato,* CEDAM, Padua (except for the parts dealing with the business, partnerships and companies).

Students attending lessons may refer to their lecture notes as regards the topics covered therein.

Students will regularly need to consult the Italian Civil Code and laws related to it, using the most updated versions thereof available.

***TEACHING METHOD***

Lectures.

***ASSESSMENT METHOD AND CRITERIA***

Oral examinations to be sat on the dates posted on the Faculty notice board. Through the oral exam students will have to show to be familiar with the use of Civil Code and to know the fundamental categories of Private Law and juridical arguing.

***NOTES AND PREREQUISITES***

Given the introductory nature of the subject, there are no prerequisites in terms of course contents.

Further information can be found on the lecturer's webpage at http://docenti.unicatt.it/web/searchByName.do?language=ENG or on the Faculty notice board.