Universidad de Valladelle

# Course syllabus

Subject name	Administrative and Regulatory Law	
Field of study	Administrative Law	
ECTS credits	3	
Semester	2 (Spring)	
Language	English	
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# 1. Description

This course aims to provide students with an understanding of the legal framework of economic regulation and competition law.

Regulation covers not only access to the market, but also supervision and the government response in areas where market competition is not considered sufficient to achieve the desired regulatory outcomes.

The course will study the principles of regulation (including legality, administrative discretion, administrative and judicial review, accountability and transparency) and the role of regulatory bodies.

It will also deal with basic tools of administrative intervention: licensing, public procurement, inspections, resolution, administrative sanctions, and others.

These will be tested in the legislation and practice covering public utilities and services of general economic interest (energy, telecommunications, transports, financial sector, media etc).

## 2. Course learning objectives

Students should be able to understand:

- 1. The role of economic regulation and competition law.
- 2. The differences between regulatory systems, particularly the so called civil law and common law systems.
- 3. The current multi-level regulation, which is made at international, European and national level.



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- 4. The basic principles of administrative law, regulation and competition law (legality, administrative discretion, administrative and judicial review, accountability and transparency).
- 5. Regulation of public services, services of general economic interest and network industries.

# 3. Contents / Programme

List of topics:

Topic 1: What is regulation?

Topic 2: Multi-level regulation: international, European and State regulation.

Topic 3: Legality, administrative discretion and judicial review.

Topic 4: The role of regulators.

Topic 5: Access to the market.

Topic 6: Administrative supervision and intervention tools.

Topic 7: Public procurement.

Topic 8: Administrative sanctions.

Topic 9: Competition law and State aids.

Topic 10: State liability.

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#### 5. Workload distribution

Activities	Hours
Classroom-based activities (Lectures, seminars and practical sessions)	22
Guided activities	11
Independent study	40
Exam	2
Total	75

#### 6. Assessment criteria

TOOLS	%	OBSERVATIONS
Ongoing assessment	20%	Class participation, practical exercises, case studies, online activities.
Final exam	80%	Test