

# **Introduction to Law**

## **Course Description**

This will be an introductory course for newly admitted students about the nature and sources of law, both Western and Islamic. It tends to supply theoretical foundation, which science of law constantly demands. It will cover definitions, functions and purposes of law, territorial nature of law, legal concepts of rights, property, persons etc.

## **Learning Outcomes:**

Upon completion of the Course student should be able to know about:

- Basic concepts of law.
- Theoretical foundation of law.
- Function and purpose of law
- Philosophy and nature of law.
- Fundamentals of legal system of Pakistan.

## **Outline**

- Meaning of Law
- Scope
  
- Dictionary meanings
- Purposes of Law
- Territorial Nature of Law
- Jurisprudence
- State and Law
- Advantages and Disadvantages of Law
- Kinds of Law
- Substantive and Procedural Law
- Civil and Criminal Law
- Statutory and Case Law
- Islamic and Secular Law
- Constitutional Law
- Administrative Law
- International Law

- Sources of Law
  - Legislation
  - Precedents
  - Customs
  
- Islamic Law
  - Islamic Jurisprudence
  - Fiqh
  - Asul al Fiqh
  
- Sources of Islamic Law
  - Quran
  - Sunnah
  - Ijma
  - Qiyas

## **Recommended Books:**

1. Harris, P. (2015). *An introduction to law*: Cambridge University Press.
2. Pound, R., & DeRosa, M. L. (2017). *An introduction to the philosophy of law*: Routledge.
3. Hess, K. M., Orthmann, C. H., & Cho, H. L. (2016). *Introduction to law enforcement and criminal justice*: Cengage Learning.
4. Mansell, W., Meteyard, B., & Thomson, A. (2015). *A critical introduction to law*: Routledge.
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6. Nyazee, I.A.K. (2016). *Islamic jurisprudence* (3rd ed). Islamabad: Centre for Excellence in Research.
7. Mahmood, M. (2011). *The principles of muhammadan law*: Al-Qanoon Publishers.
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