UNIVERSITY LAW COLLEGE
UNIVERSITY OF THE PUNJAB
COURSE OUTLINE
SEMESTER-I

Paper Code	LL.B. 104	Cr.Hrs.	03
Paper-Title	Introduction to Law & Legal System		
Domain	Major		

Course Introduction

This course aims to give students a good knowledge of the world legal systems like civil law, common law, Roman and the Islamic legal systems to have a comparative analysis with the Pakistani legal system including highlights of Pakistan's Constitution. This course aims to give students a significant knowledge of the Pakistani Legal System by looking at the historical background of the legal system, the role of the legislature and the court system in Pakistan. Concepts such as statutory interpretation and judicial precedent are covered along with civil and criminal processes. The students will be able to know the working of various legal authorities and institutions. They will come out with concrete conclusions and form their opinion about the working of legal institutions.

Learning Outcomes

On the completion of the course, the students will be able to:

1. Acquire basic and advance knowledge about world legal systems.

2. Graduate with a broad knowledge of foundational and other core areas of the law, specialized knowledge in areas of interest, and experience with advanced study.

3. Develop the ability to analyze complex problems, find and deploy a variety of legal authorities, and communicate effectively in a variety of settings.

Course Content

1. **Introduction**
   i. Common Features of world legal systems
   ii. History and development of Roman legal system
   iii. Influence of Roman law on the world legal systems

2. **Traditions and Legal Systems**
   i. Origin and historical background of civil law traditions
   ii. Salient features of civil law traditions

3. **Traditions and Legal Systems (continue)**
   iii. Sources of civil law legal system
   iv. Corpus jurisCivilis
   v. The evolution of codification in the civil law legal system

4. **Socialist Legal System**
   i. Historical background
   ii. Development

5. **Socialist Legal System (continue)**
   iii. Economic planning under Socialist law
   iv. System of government in Socialist legal system
   v. Building blocks of Socialist legal system

6. **Islamic Legal System**
   i. Development and sources of Islamic law
   ii. Incorporate of Shariah law in the contemporary legal regime

7. **Common Law Legal System**
   i. Origin and development of common law
   ii. Salient features of common law

8. **Common Law Legal System (Continue)**
   iii. Sources of common law
   iv. Historical development of common law traditions in legal system
   v. The structure of judiciary in the Common Law Legal System

9. **Comparison between Civil law and Common Law Legal Systems**
   i. Adversarial vs inquisitorial
   ii. Similarities and differences

10. **Influence of Common Law/Civil Law Traditions in the World Legal Systems**
    i. The development of civil law in France and Germany

ii.	The expansion of Common Legal system in United States, India and Pakistan

11. Introduction of Common Law Traditions as the British Legal System in the Subcontinent
   i. Introduction
   ii. Evolutionary process and constitutional arrangement in the subcontinent (Pre-colonial era to post-colonial era)
   iii. Development of constitution in the post-independence period (1947- 1973)

12. Hybrid Legal System
   i. Introduction
   ii. Pre- requisite for a hybrid legal system

Textbooks and Reading Material

1. Frank August Schubert, *Introduction to Law and the Legal System* (Cengage Learning 2022)

2. Vernon Valentine Palmer, Mohamed Y. Mattar, *Mixed Legal Systems, East and West*(Taylor & Francis 2016)

3. Stephen R. Wilson, Steve Wilson, *English Legal System* (Oxford University Press 2016)

4. Mark Thomas, Claire McGourlay, *English Legal System Concentrate Law, Revision and Study Guide* (Oxford University Press 2020)

5. NaeemUllahKhan,*Global Legal System* (Manzoor Law book House 2021)

Teaching Learning Strategies

1. Lecture and Lecture notes
2. Using Audio/Visual aids
3. Case Method
4. Task Based learning strategy
5. Assigning Collaborative work
6. Problem based learning