



SOME VIEWS ON LAW OUTLINE COURSE

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1. What scope does Law Outline course cover?

In many Vietnam universities, law outline is a compulsory subject in the curriculum for undergraduate students who though do not major in law. Therefore, all students must complete this course in order to fulfill their curriculum. The content of the course mainly focuses on the basic issues related to law such as the origin and nature of law, legal system, legal principles, etc. In particular, in the branches of law session, students will be introduced several important branches of law in the legal system in Vietnam such as Constitutional Law, Criminal Law, Civil Law, etc. Those are the laws governing basically social relations in which all individuals

and organizations may or will encounter.

Depending on the university's specific curriculum that the course's completion time and volume of content will differ. However, in most of the universities' curriculum, the course is designed for 1st semester of 1st year students. This implies that upon stepping in the university, students will have to take this course. This is one of the reasons that make freshmen who have just graduated from high school and will not intend to study in law find many difficulties. Nevertheless, there are still some certain merits for them to take this course early. Students will be equipped with basic knowledge regarding society to enhance their awareness of social

phenomena before taking other courses in subsequent semesters.

2. Why do we learn Law Outline?

There supposes to be a big gap between high school graduates and bachelors, because upon accomplishing undergraduate program, students have precious chances to accumulate useful knowledge. That knowledge primarily comes from the major areas that students have chosen, which accounts for most of their learning process. Nonetheless, it is essential for bachelors not only have expertise in their professions but also acquire general knowledge of social concerns related to law - the social phenomenon is common not only for those who specialize in law



but all members in the society as well. In fact, it provably facilitates students to perform pretty well at work after graduation.

In addition to equip students with basic knowledge about law, the course provides students with the knowledge necessary to assist them to produce fruitful performance at work later on, for all entities in any playing fields must comply with law provisions. Moreover, at present, most industries require employees to obtain minimal law knowledge since law regulates all matters in society.

All in all, it is no longer doubtful about the benefits that the course brings students. Notwithstanding, fulfilling the course satisfactorily is not a simple task because studying law requires students of analyzing skills, critical reasoning as well as diligence which may be different from required abilities of other disciplines such as information technology, mechanical engineering, geology, etc. Hence, what students should do to learn the course well?

3. How to learn Law Outline course effectively?

Each field of study, each subject has its own requirements for learning methods. Though the course is categorized in legal field, it is a mandate for non-law majoring students to complete the course. Thus, in order to study this course effectively, students are highly recommended practicing as follows:

- First of all, research any documents related to the subject. This is the requirement not only to this course but also others. As the course is in the field of social sciences, students should research and read as many documents as possible because the course's content is relatively huge, involving a variety of issues. In addition to textbook and handouts, students should read journals, newspapers or magazines or watch TV programs about the legal field to broaden their view.

- Second, students should try to observe surrounding social phenomena and apply law perspective to explain them such as traffic police charging automobile

drivers owing to their violating traffic laws; men and women carrying out marriage registration's procedures; workers strike; etc. Actively practicing this will help students master the knowledge more quickly as well as improve their consciousness of social problems.

- Thirdly, since law outline course is not merely a theoretical subject, students should try to think of simulated scenarios related to law and apply the knowledge to solve them. This will sharpen students' skill to smoothly handle issues related to legal practices in their work after graduating as well as daily life.

- Finally, it is highly critical that bachelors have minimum law knowledge, students need to bear in mind that the course is a crucial subject for not only law-majoring students themselves, but also for each and every future graduates in the career. Students should not take this course for granted, yet seriously●