

ECO-952 Comparative Study of Social Security Systems

Course Description

The aim of this course is to familiarise the student with the legal aspects of trans-national social security. The most important topics covered by this course are the methodology to study foreign social security systems, the basic concepts used in these systems as well as the international and European social security law. This course deals with the basic techniques and principles of international and European social security law.

It further stimulates the reflection upon actual topics in comparative, international and European social security law. The social dimension of the 'globalisation-issue' is not to be discarded. It will focus on examination of the theory and comparative practice of social security in the Pakistan and the rest of the world. It includes the comparative study of different social security regimes.

Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, the student will

- acquire knowledge of the rules on coordination of national social security systems;
- gain knowledge of the legislations in the field of equal treatment for men and women in matters of social security (both statutory and occupational);
- be able to undertake a comparative analysis of social security laws in various international and national legal systems

Recommended Books

Williamson, John B. and Fred C. Pampel. 1993. Old Age Security in Comparative Perspective. New York: Oxford University Press.

Williamson, John B., Diane M. Watts-Roy and Eric R. Kingson, eds. 1999. The Generational Equity Debate. New York: Columbia University Press

Pampel, Fred C. and John B. Williamson. 1989. Age, Class, Politics, and the Welfare State. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.