



Syllabus

Academic Year	2024/2025
Program	Global Law
Course	Principles of Roman Law
Term	II semester
Year	1
SSD	IUS/18
Credits	8

INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS	<p>The course aims to provide students with a solid knowledge of the most important principles of Roman private law from the origins (VIII century B.C.) to Justinian's era (middle of the VI century A.D.). This will prove essential to enable students to understand all legal systems of the same tradition.</p>
INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES	<p>Knowledge and understanding: Students will learn the main principles and concepts of Roman private law, with particular attention to the historical evolution of person and family law; succession law; donation; property law; obligations, contracts and tort law; foundations of civil procedure law; commercial law.</p> <p>Applying knowledge and understanding: Students, applying the acquired knowledge, will be required to carry out legal reasoning in the area of modern private law.</p> <p>Making judgements: Students will be able to understand the influence of Roman law on contemporary private law and, consequently, will gain a greater ability to understand and evaluate modern institutes.</p> <p>Communication skills: Students will acquire the appropriate technical vocabulary on Roman private law, being able to present their ideas, analyse and solve concrete issue either orally or in writing.</p> <p>Learning skills: Students will gain a full understanding of the principles and institutes of Roman private law, which will enable them to advance fruitfully in their studies in the private law area.</p>
Pre-requisites	None.



Course content	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to Roman law• From the origins of Roman law to Justinian's era• The sources of Roman law• The historical evolution of person and family law• Succession law• Donation• Property law• Obligations• Contracts and tort law• Foundations of civil process law• Commercial law
Reference Books	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• W.W. Buckland (2007), A Text-Book of Roman Law from Augustus to Justinian (Cambridge University Press)• Teaching materials (on Luiss Learn).
Teaching Methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Frontal lectures• Class discussion
Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mid-term written exam (40%)• Written final exam (60%).
