

General information on the course

Course:	Fundamentals of Civil and Commercial Law
Organisational unit:	Zakład Prawa Cywilnego i Prawa Międzynarodowego Prywatnego (Department of Civil Law and Private International Law)
Period:	Summer semester 2024/2025
Form of classes:	Lecture (16 h) Compulsory classes (14 h)
Form of completion:	Examination Completion of classes
Lecturers:	Bogna Kaczorowska PhD (lectures; classes, groups 2, 4, 6) Agnieszka Guzewicz PhD (classes, groups 1, 3, 5)
Field of study:	I BBA

I. Lecture programme

1. 26 February 2025 Introduction to contract law: concept of contract, classification of contracts, sources of contract law
2. 13 March 2025 Vitiating of contracts: defects of consent
3. 27 March 2025 Contract interpretation and construction: finding contractual terms
4. 24 April 2025 Breach of contract and remedies
5. 8 May 2025 Change of circumstances (impossibility, hardship, *imprevision*, contract terms governing the problem of change of circumstances)
6. 22 May 2025 Contractual obligations and third parties
7. 5 June 2025 Introduction to tort law
8. 12 June 2025 Liability for others

Pursuant to the Dean's Regulation No. 8/2024 of 17 June 2024 on holding the remote and hybrid classes in the academic year 2024/2025, the Fundamentals of Civil and Commercial Law course (both lectures and classes) is held in **a hybrid manner**, that is the meetings are **held in person (on campus)**, and at the same time they are **streamed in real time** via the Microsoft Teams application.

II. Recommended literature

1. P. Machnikowski, J. Balcarczyk, M. Drela, *Contract Law in Poland*, Alphen aan den Rijn 2020
2. J. Cartwright, *Contract Law: An Introduction to the English Law of Contract for the Civil Lawyer*, Oxford 2023

3. H. Beale, B. Fauvarque-Cosson, J. Rutgers, S. Vogenauer, *Cases, Materials and Text on Contract Law*, Oxford–Portland 2019
4. W. van Gerven, J. Lever, P. Larouche, *Cases, Materials and Text on National, Supranational and International Tort Law*, Oxford–Portland 2000

Selected supplementary literature

1. *Foundations of Law: The Polish Perspective*, eds. W. Dajczak, T. Nieborak, P. Wiliński, Warszawa 2021
2. R. Lewandowski, *Fundamentals of Polish Business Law*, Warszawa 2019
3. *An outline of Polish Commercial Law*, ed. J. Kruczalak-Jankowska, trs. D. Malcolm, Gdańsk 2018
4. R. Schulze, F. Zoll, *European Contract Law*, Baden-Baden 2016
5. C. Pédamon, *Judicial Interpretation of Commercial Contracts in English and French Law: A Comparative Perspective*, “European Business Law Review” 2021, Vol. 32, No. 6, <https://ssrn.com/abstract=4024322>
6. *European Product Liability: An Analysis of the State of the Art in the Era of New Technologies*, ed. P. Machnikowski, Cambridge 2016

III. Normative acts

- Ustawa z dnia 23 kwietnia 1964 r. – Kodeks cywilny (Dz. U. z 2024 r. poz. 1061, z późn. zm.)

(the Civil Code of 23 April 1964, Journal of Laws 2024 item 1061, as amended)

For a bilingual edition, see eg:

The Civil Code. Kodeks cywilny, tłum. E. Kucharska, weryfikacja językowa M. Le Mauviel, konsultacje prawne G.E. Domański, L. Stępnia, K. Dobkowska, A. Zbiegień-Turzańska, Warszawa 2019

- Other normative acts indicated in the course of the lecture

IV. Requirements to complete the course

Completion of classes

Written exam during the summer examination period (multiple choice test)