

開講科目名	Introduction to Legal English 1				
担当教員	Keith Carpenter	開講区分		単位数	
		前期		2.0単位	
ナンバリングコード	J2ML600	曜日・時限	金2	時間割コード	1J554

授業のテーマ

This course will be at an introductory level for those wishing to develop their English language skills in relation to legal subjects. The language covered will include both academic language (used by those studying law in English) and professional language (used by English speaking lawyers).

授業の到達目標

By the end of the course, students will have developed their ability to:

1. listen to and understand both native and non-native speakers' of English talking about legal matters in situations such as meetings, discussions, lectures and presentations;
2. speak about legal matters in a variety of situations such as advising, negotiating, summarising, explaining complicated legal issues to both lawyers and non-lawyers;
3. read and understand legal texts such as contracts, statutes, case reports, law journal articles, law text books and legal correspondence;
4. write about legal matters in different ways such as email, letters and notes/memos

授業の概要と計画

There will be a total of 15 lectures. The following gives an indication of the likely topics to be covered by the lectures but this may change depending on the speed at which the topics can be covered and by feedback from attending students:

Introduction: studying law and law subjects
 Contract law
 Tort law (civil wrongs)
 Company law

成績評価方法

Students will be assessed as follows:

- 50%: by the level of their active participation and performance during lectures
- 30%: by written homework
- 20%: by an end of term test

成績評価基準

- 50%: by the level of their active participation and performance during lectures: this will include the level of attendance of classes and will be especially focused on speaking during class activities
- 30%: by written homework: there are likely to be 3 written assignments set during the term, each carrying 10%
- 20%: by an end of term test: the test will cover all the material covered during the term

履修上の注意 (関連科目情報)

This course is recommended for students who wish to progress to the Advanced Legal English course.

事前・事後学修

Students will be required to do some reading in preparation for lectures and to do written and review work as homework after lectures.

オフィスアワー・連絡先

Contact details will be announced during lectures.

学生へのメッセージ

In order to talk about legal matters, it is not sufficient merely to know the correct legal terms and so the course will cover language for discussing, comparing, suggesting etc. This functional language will be useful for other business and social situations. Students should consider the lectures as an opportunity to practise expressing their opinions in new ways and not be afraid of making mistakes.

今年度の工夫

教科書

Students will need to buy their own copy of the textbook but it will not be necessary to have the textbook for the first lecture.

Introduction to International Legal English / Amy Krois-Lindner & Matt Firth : Cambridge University Press ,2008 , ISBN:9780521718998

参考書・参考資料等

授業における使用言語

The lectures will be conducted in English

キーワード

International legal English communication