

ANNEX 2 – COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course title	Evidence Law II			
Course code	LAW-403			
Course type	Compulsory			
Level	Undergraduate			
Year / Semester	4 th /G			
Teacher's name	Kriton Dionysiou			
ECTS	6	Lectures / week	3 hour per week	Laboratories / week
Course purpose and objectives	<p>The Law of Evidence constitutes a basic pillar of Cypriot Law, the knowledge of which is essential for every lawyer and jurist. Adding to the "Law of Evidence I", this course aims at presenting specialized issues of the law of evidence and the way in which they are applied in practice. In this respect, the course aims to highlight the difference between opinion/expert testimony and factual testimony as well as the procedure for the examination of witnesses in the context of a hearing. Of paramount importance for a comprehensive understanding of the law of evidence is familiarity with issues arising in relation to illegally obtained testimony, interrogation rules, confessions, witness protection and the rules of privilege.</p>			
Learning outcomes	<p>Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understand the difference between opinion testimony and factual testimony 			

	<p>2. Explain the basic rules governing the examination of witnesses at a hearing.</p> <p>3. Analyse the principles governing the issue of testimony obtained by unlawful means.</p> <p>4. Explain the rules during the investigative work of the police</p> <p>5. To explain the importance of a witness' confession and the procedure during hearings</p> <p>6. Understand the importance of witness protection and estoppel.</p>		
Prerequisites	Evidence Law I (LAW-332)	Required	None
Course content	<p>1) Opinion/Expert testimony</p> <p>2) Competence and Compellability</p> <p>3) Witness Protection</p> <p>4) Examination of Witnesses at the Hearing</p> <p>5) Unlawfully obtained evidence</p> <p>6) Judicial Rules</p> <p>7) Confessions</p>		
Teaching methodology	Lectures with slides, practical examples, and problems as well as group work.		
Bibliography	<p>1) Eliades & Santis, "The Law of Evidence: Procedural and Substantive Aspects", 2nd Edition, Hippasus Publications.</p> <p>2) Clerides, "Cyprus Law of Evidence", Nomiki Bibliothiki Publications (2018).</p>		

	<p>3) R. Munday, "Evidence", Oxford University Press, 11th Edition (2022).</p> <p>4) Evidence in criminal investigations, UK Home Office (2020)</p> <p>5) European Court of Human Rights, "Article 6 § 1 (criminal limb) Administration of (unlawfully obtained) evidence"</p> <p>6) Phipson on Evidence, Common Law Library 20th ed (2023).</p> <p>7) The Evidence Act (Chapter 9)</p> <p>8) Criminal Procedure Act (Chapter 155)</p> <p>9) Polyviou, "The Principle of Estoppel in Modern Law", Hippasus Publications (2023)</p>
Assessment	<p>Participation 10%</p> <p>Midterm Exam 20%</p> <p>Assignment 20%</p> <p>Final Examination 50%</p>
Language	Greek