



UNIVERSITY LAW COLLEGE
UNIVERSITY OF THE PUNJAB

COURSE OUTLINE

Course Name: Introduction to Legal Systems - I

Course Code: Law 215

Faculty:	Faculty of Law
Credit hours:	3 Cr. H
Course level:	05 Years B.A. LL.B (Hons.) Program
College/Department:	Punjab University Law College, University of the Punjab, New Campus, Lahore

CONTENT SUMMARY

1. Introduction to Legal Systems
2. Legal System of the world
 - (a) Civil Law
 - i. Definition
 - ii. Origin and Development
 - iii. Code of Hammurabi
 - iv. Code of Hammurabi
 - v. Corpus Juris Civilis (Code of Justinian)
 - (b) Common Law
 - (c) Customary law
 - (d) Religion
 - i. Sharia in Islam
 - ii. Halakha in Judaism
 - iii. Canon law in Christians
3. Application of these systems in different countries
4. Pluralistic system/ Hybrid Law
5. Ancient Legal System
6. Roman Legal System
 - (a) Roman Legal Development
 - i. Early Roman Law (Lex Canuleia, Lex Hortensia, Lex Aquilia)
 - ii. Pre Classical Period
 - iii. Classical Roman Law (Gaius, Ulpian, Anemilius Papimianus, Julius Preedentissimus, Herennus Medestinus)
 - iv. Post Classical Law
 - (b) Journey from Twelve Tables to Corpus Juris Civilis
 - (c) Influence of Roman Law on English Legal System
 - (d) Importance of Roman Law Today

Please note: The contents/ schedule may be varied at the discretion of the course convenor to give a greater or lesser degree of emphasis to a particular topic.

PRESCRIBED TEXTS

Text Books:

1. Introduction to Law and the Legal System by Frank August Schubert
2. The Civil Law Traditions:- An Introduction to the Legal Systems of Europe and Latin America by John Merryrnen and Rogelio Perez-Perdomo.
3. International Legal System by Christopher L. Blakesley.