**DOCTORAL SUBJECT SUB-UNIT**

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| Subject name | Field of study (branch) code | Faculty | Department |
| **The Statute of Lithuania and the Epoque** | History and Archaeology  H 005 | Faculty of History | Department of  Ancient and Medieval History |
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| Mode of study | Number of credits ECTS | Mode of study | Number of credits ECTS |
| lectures |  | consultations | 1,5 |
| individual | 6 | seminars |  |

**Total 7,5**

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| Subject annotation | | |
| The course aims to analyze the possibilities of using the Statute of Lithuania (SL) as a source of the history of the GDL for the study of the 15th to 18th century and to show the perspectives of its research as an interdisciplinary dialogue.  Features of scientific publications and historiography of the Statute of Lithuania. Analysis of the transcripts of the First and Second Statutes.  The content of the concepts of *legal code*, *code of laws*, *code*. The birth of the codification process in Europe. The reasons for and preconditions for the ambitious program of codification of law in the GDL.  Sources of law in the GDL. New quality: from customary to written law. The cult of the antiquity of law and the doctrine of its immutability. The concept of Christian law in the GDL. The role of professional jurisprudence. The problem of reception: harmony and disharmony in the interaction of cultures. Mechanism of codification. The editors of the Statute: personality and collegiality, intellectual and practical experience gained.  Content analysis of the Lithuanian Statute. The reasons for the exceptional dynamism of the codification of the GDL law. The Statute is a "mirror" of the society of the GDL and its development, an indicator of its maturity and modernity, a reflection and/or a catalyst of fracture processes.  The Statute of Lithuania in the hierarchy of values of the noblemen‘s society. Was the Statute a constitution of the nobility? The concept of the rule of law: "I am protected by the law" and "Let us be slaves of the law to enjoy our freedoms". The Statute and the problem of the statehood of the GDL and the identity of the nobility after the Union of Lublin.  The phenomenon of the law of the GDL in the context of European jurisprudence in the 16th to 18th centuries: from progress to regress?  Themis and Cleia: monuments of law and the significance of historical access for the discourse of the period. | | |
| Key literature | | |
| 1. Bardach J. Statuty litewskie w kręgu prawno – kulturowym, in: *Bardach J.,* *O dawnej i niedawnej Litwie.*  Poznań, 1988. S. 9-71. 2. Bardach J. *Statuty litewskie a prawo rzymskie,* Warszawa, 1999. 3. Lappo J. *1588 metų Lietuvos Statutas.* T. I-II. Kaunas, 1934-1938.   4. *Lietuvos Statutas ir Lietuvos Didžiosios Kunigaikštystės bajoriškoji visuomenė.* Straipsnių rinkinys. Sudarė I. Valikonytė ir L. Steponavičienė. Vilnius, 2015.   1. Valikonytė I., Lazutka S., Gudavičius E. *Pirmasis Lietuvos Statutas (1529 m.).* Vilnius, 2001. | | |
| Supervising lecturers‘ names and surnames | Academic degree | Major works in the field (branch) published in the recent 5 years |
| Irena Valikonytė | Dr., Professor | 1. Struktura i zasady kompletowania ksiąg sądowych Metryki Litewskiej Zygmunta Augusta, Rocznik Lituanistyczny, t.4, Rok 2018, Warszawa, 2018, s.7-23*.*  2. Lietuvos *Metrika (1554-1568). 35-oji Teismų bylų knyga*. Vilnius, 2018. – XXXIV+761 p.  3. „Skundą privalo šaukimuose išdėstyti“: Šaukimų į teismą reglamentavimas Pirmajame ir Antrajame LietuvosStatutuose, *Lietuvos Statutas: Temidės ir Klėjos teritorijos. Straipsnių rinkinys.* Sudarė I.Valikonytė ir N.Šlimienė*,* Vilnius, 2017, p. 241-258.  4. Dokumentas teismo proceso įrodymų hierarchijoje Lietuvos Didžiojoje Kunigaikštystėje XV a. pabaigoje - XVI a. pirmoje pusėje, Lietuvos istorijos studijos, t.46, 2020, p.8-24.  5*.* The Lithuanians Statutes: The Childhood of theConstitution, *Lithuanian Constitutionalism. The Past and* *the Present*, Vilnius, 2017, p. 14-40.  6. Pirmojo Lietuvos Statuto Slucko nuorašas. Vilnius, 2020. – 642 p. |
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| Chair of the Doctoral Committee Prof. habil. dr. Tamara Bairašauskaitė | | |