



**COURSE OF STUDY: LAW** 

**ACADEMIC YEAR: 2024-2025** 

**ACADEMIC SUBJECT:** ROMAN LAW INSTITUTIONS

General information	
Year of the course	
Academic calendar (starting	II semester / FEBRUARY 24, 2025 - MAY 30, 2025 .
and ending date)	
Credits (CFU/ETCS):	9
SSD	lus 18
Language	Italian
Mode of attendance	Traditional lessons

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e.g., by appointment, on line,	
etc.)	

Work schedule			
Hours			
Total	Lectures	Hands-on (laboratory, workshops, working groups, seminars, field trips)	Out-of-class study hours/ Self-study hours
225	72	18	135
CFU/ETCS			
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Learning Objectives	At the end of the course, the student will acquire the basic notions in the various areas of Roman private law, which will be useful to him to approach with awareness also the study of current law.  The understanding of the case method, proper to the Roman jurists, which will be solicited during the course with the examination of concrete cases, will lead the student to evaluate the variety of possible solutions of the facts that the jurist can take into consideration in the process of identification and application of the rules, urging their independence of judgment and critical spirit.
Course prerequisites	Since it's a first-year exam, second semester, no specific prerequisites are required other than those for admission to the degree program.

Teaching strategie	The teaching has an exegetical edge with the help of descriptive slides of the contents of the individual lessons and containing the main sources to be examined. The material can also be downloaded from the e-learning platform.
Expected learning outcomes in terms of	Roman private law.
Knowledge and understanding on:	The basic notions in the various areas of Roman private law, which will be useful to him to approach with awareness also the study of current law.





Applying knowledge and	The understanding of the case method, proper to the Roman jurists, which will
understanding on:	be solicited during the course with the examination of concrete cases, will lead
3	the student to evaluate the variety of possible solutions of the facts that the
	jurist can take into consideration in the process of identification and application
	of the rules, urging their independence of judgment and critical spirit.
Soft skills	Learning the subject will help to form the student's ability both to understand
	and use language and legal concepts adequately and to develop argumentative
	schemes proper to law.
Syllabus	
Content knowledge	The course aims to offer students both an overall picture of the development of
J	Roman private law (not only looking at the historical dimension, but also
	assessing its influences on current legal systems), and both the essential tools
	for the articulation of the legal discourse and for the interpretative activity.
	The course is divided into two modules and follows, in its fundamental lines, the
	"people-things-actions" scheme, the didactic path that Gaius - author of the only
	manual of Institutions written by the Roman jurists who has been received
	almost intact and immune from alterations - adopts in dealing with "all the
	private law in force at its age": a scheme which, through the use also of the
	category of "incorporeal things", embraces the entire span of the ius privatum
	(people and family, property and real rights , obligations and contracts,
	succession mortis causa, private trial), and which, through the Justinian
	Institutiones that implemented it, influences modern civil codes.
	The active and critical teaching, often focused on documents, will aim to give an
	overall view of the subject, without neglecting in-depth analyzes on specific
	themes, with a look also at continuity and discontinuity with current systems.
	The topics of the course are: Roman law and its sources; the process; negotiating
	documents; people and family; the things; property, possession and real rights;
	bonds and contracts; donations; the succession mortis causa.
Texts and readings	A. Lovato, S. Puliatti, L. Solidoro, <i>Diritto privato romano</i> , Giappichelli-Torino, 2nd
-	edition, 2017
	-E. Stolfi, Gli attrezzi del giurista. Introduzione alle pratiche discorsive del diritto,
	Giappichelli- Torino, 2018
	- R. Quadrato, Gaius dixit. La voce di un giurista di frontiera, Cacucci-Bari, 2010,
	limited to the following chapters, each of which however represents a valuable
	essay: 4. << luris conditor >>; 5. L'abuso del diritto nel linguaggio romano: la
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	regula di Gai Inst. 1.53.
Notes, additional materials	regula di Gai Inst. 1.53.  None

Assessment	
Assessment methods	Oral exam at the end of the course year
Assessment criteria	Knowledge and understanding
	Applying knowledge and understanding
	Autonomy of judgment
	Communicating knowledge and understanding
	Communication skills
	Capacities to continue learning
Final exam and grading criteria	The final grade is given in thirtieths, with honors where the praparation is
	particularly thorough. The examination is considered passed when the grade is
	greater than or equal to 18
Further information	



