

**Faculty of Law**  
**Department: Security and Safety**  
**Professional Area: National Security**  
**Major: National Security Protection**  
**Educational-and-qualification Degree: Bachelor**

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

1. Course unit title: Study of the State
2. Course unit code: LAW 1074
3. Type of course unit: elective
4. Level of course unit: Bachelor
5. Year of study: second
6. Semester when the course unit is delivered: third
7. Number of ECTS credits allocated: 3
8. Name of lecturer: Emiliya Siderova, PhD
9. Learning outcomes of the course unit: The course 'Study of the State' is a general theoretic course. It introduces to students the development of scientific ideas of the state as a social phenomenon and the way of organization of public power. By tracing the main phases in the evolution of the state, the most important theories, schools and hypotheses about the origin and nature of the state, it outlines approaches to understanding the modern state. In this direction, topics on the objectives and functions, the nature and form of the state are oriented. Scientific knowledge of the interdependence between the state and law is especially important for future lawyers.
10. Mode of delivery: face-to-face
11. Prerequisites and co-requisites:
12. Course contents: A considerable part of the course contents is given to questions about the origin of the state and history of the studies of the state. Special attention is paid to the constitutive elements of the state as well as to the values of the modern state. The form of the state and its various types are discussed. A detailed analysis of the functions of the modern state is done. Emphasis is placed on globalization and European integration.
13. Recommended or required reading:  
Normative acts: Конституция на Република България от 1991 г.  
Required reading:
  - *Близнашки, Г.* Формата на държавата. Съвременни конституционни измерения. С., Университетско издателство "Св. Климент Охридски", 2009.
  - *Бюрдо, Ж.* Държавата. С., Университетско издателство "Св. Климент Охридски", 2007.
  - *Йелинек, Г.* Общо учение за държавата. С, 1993 г. в сборник: Дюги, Л. Каре дьо Малберг, – Общо учение за държавата.
14. Planned learning activities and teaching methods:
15. Assessment methods and criteria: firstly, students' written statement of a question drawn from the synopsis is assessed in which the criteria for a high grade are spelling, expression, logical sequence in the statement, legal arguments in support of a given thesis, comments on discussion questions on the topic in the theory as well as accuracy in reference to normative regulations. Immediately after the written examination, there is an oral examination during which students defend their written statement in order to establish the ability of students to freely expose their knowledge of the drawn question, to check their speech with the necessary legal terminology and an answer to two additional specific questions on other topics from the synopsis in order to check

the universality of the students' preparation of the course matter. Students are assessed immediately after the oral examination and are informed immediately of the reasons for the awarded grade according to the above stated criteria.

16. Language of instruction: Bulgarian

17. Work placement: none