

Auxiliary courses:

Medicina legale canonica.....	3
Lingua Latina II:.....	3
Seminario/Corso opzionale (for second year students).....	3

SECOND SEMESTER

Principal courses

Libro II - Le Chiese particolari: cann. 431-459; 460-572 .....	5
Libro IV - La Funzione di santificare: Penitenza; Unzione; altri atti di culto; luoghi e tempi sacri: cann. 959-1007; 1166-1253.....	5
Libro IV - Matrimonio II: cann.1095-1165.....	5

Auxiliary courses

Introduzione al Codice dei Canonici delle Chiese Orientali.....	3
Istituzioni di Diritto civile.....	3
Prassi canonica giudiziale matrimoniale.....	2
Lingua Latina II:.....	3
Seminario/Corso opzionale (for second year students).....	3

THIRD YEAR (A.Y. 2007 - 2008)

FIRST SEMESTER

Principal courses

Libro V - I beni temporali della Chiesa: cann. 1254-1310 .....	3
Libro VI - Le sanzioni nella Chiesa ed il processo penale Prima parte: cann. 1311-1399; 1717-1731.....	3
Libro VII - I processi: i giudizi in generale: cann. 1400-1500; Istr. "Dignitas connubii" .....	6
Libro VII - Processi speciali: dichiarazione di nullità e dispensa dagli obblighi della sacra ordinazione: cann. 1708-1712 .....	3
Libro VII - Il modo di evitare i giudizi e di procedere nei ricorsi amministrativi: cann. 1732-1739; 1740-1752 .....	3

Auxiliary courses

Prassi canonica amministrativa.....	3
Lingua Latina II: .....	3
Seminario/Corso opzionale (for second year students) .....	3

SECOND SEMESTER

Principal courses

Libro VI - Le sanzioni nella Chiesa ed il processo penale Seconda parte: cann. 1311-1399; 1717-1731.....	3
Libro VII - I processi: il giudizio contenzioso: cann. 1501-1670; Istr. "Dignitas connubii" .....	6
Libro VII - Processi speciali: i processi matrimoniali cann. 1671-1707.....	3

Auxiliary courses

I Sacramenti nel Codice dei Canonici delle Chiese Orientali .....	3
Il Diritto internazionale e la Chiesa .....	3
Relazioni tra la Chiesa e le Comunità politiche .....	3
Lingua Latina II: .....	3
Seminario/Corso opzionale (for second year students) .....	3

THIRD CYCLE

The third cycle, lasting at least two semesters or one year, aims specially at the perfection of the juridical maturity of the students in such a way that they are made capable of developing their own scientific work or teaching law at university level. In this cycle the student, under the direction of a professor of the Faculty, must write a doctoral dissertation that makes a contribution to scientific progress. Only those who have obtained a Licence in Canon Law with an average mark will be admitted to the doctoral programme. (In our University the average mark for graduates is set at 8/10). The Dean will determine, case by case, requests for admission by students coming from other Universities. In any case students must have fulfilled the requirements necessary for entrance into the third cycle in their University of origin.

Students attend a few courses in order to enable them to deepen their acquaintance with special questions of particular importance. In order to facilitate research for the doctoral thesis the number of classes is limited and all the courses are held on one day a week, Monday, of the first semester. At the end of the semester students are examined in the courses taken.

Programme of studies

Giurisprudenza rotale relativa alle cause matrimoniali.....	2
Giurisprudenza rotale relativa alle <i>causae iurium</i> .....	2
Latinità canonica.....	2
Seminario per dottorandi.....	2

CALENDAR & TIME-TABLE

Courses in the first semester run from early October until the end of January. The second semester runs from mid February until the end of May.

Examination sessions: at the end of the first Semester, at the end of the second semester, at the beginning of the academic year.

FEES

Full-time students

- Second Cycle: 1.460 €
- Third cycle: 1.800 €

Part-time Students

- For annual registration: 55 €
- For each credit: 55 €

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## THE FACULTY OF CANON LAW

In 1896 the Faculty of Canon Law of the Pontifical University of St. Thomas (*Angelicum*) was founded. Thus the study and teaching of canon law became an integral part of the Collegium of St. Thomas alongside the Philosophical and Theological Faculties. The Canon Law Faculty consists in a team of professors each of whom is a specialist and practitioner of his discipline. There is a mutual and enriching influence in the professor's teaching and his pastoral practice of the law. The Faculty is open to clergy, religious and laypersons and prepares them to fulfil various functions whether it be teaching in the seminaries and universities, or performing the specific tasks in the apostolic or diocesan tribunals, or fulfilling the various administrative assignments in the curia of dioceses or institutes of consecrated life, thus partaking fully in a fruitful pastoral ministry.

In accordance with the tradition of the Dominican Order, the connection with philosophy and theology is one of the characteristic features of the study of canon law in the Angelicum. In its study of the Code of Canon Law the Faculty aims at a deepening of the philosophical-theological and ecclesiological *ratio legis* in the light of Vatican II. The study of the history of the sources of canon law, Roman law, as well as certain elements of comparative law completes the juridical formation of the student. Knowledge of the essential traits of the Code of the Eastern Churches and of the major principles, which govern the relations between the Holy See and Nations or other Political Societies, constitute a further enrichment for the student of Canon Law. Relevant sections of International law are also discussed.

The written work of the student can treat of the material studied in the courses. Topics can be of universal or particular law of the Church, or issues of ecclesiastical communities. Classes are held in Italian. A sound working knowledge of Italian is therefore required. However, oral examinations can be conducted in any of the major European languages. The written work of the student can be submitted in the same. Given the background and history of canon law a knowledge of Latin is important to pursue studies in this field and indispensable for doctoral research.

## PRELIMINARY NOTES

The *curriculum* is composed of three cycles in conformity with the requirements of the Apostolic Constitution, *Sapientia Christiana*, and the Decree of the Congregation for Catholic Education revising the order

of studies in the faculties and departments of Canon Law (y. 2002). Besides the regular lectures, seminar activities and practical exercises form part of the program. Students are free to have recourse to professors for further information and direction.

## FIRST CYCLE

The first cycle (propaedeutic in character), lasting for four semesters or two years is for those who have no previous training in philosophy and theology as well as for those who already hold an academic degree in Civil Law. In this cycle students should study fundamental concepts of canon law and the philosophical and theological disciplines required for an advanced formation in canon law. In the first cycle the following disciplines are obligatory:

- a) **Elements of philosophy:** philosophical anthropology, metaphysics, ethics;
- b) **Elements of theology:** Introduction to Sacred Scripture; fundamental theology: the transmission and credibility of divine revelation; Trinitarian theology; Christology; divine grace; ecclesiology; general sacramental theology; fundamental and special moral theology;
- c) **Fundamental canonical structures of canon law;**
- d) **Latin**

### *The programme of studies*

These courses can be pursued at our University at the Faculty of Theology and the Faculty of Philosophy as well as the Higher Institute of Religious Science *Mater Ecclesiae*. A special programme can be designed to meet the particular needs of the individual student who is enrolled in the first cycle of the Faculty of Canon Law.

## SECOND CYCLE

Students who have completed successfully the philosophical-theological curriculum in a seminary or in a theological faculty may be admitted immediately into the second cycle unless the Dean deems it necessary or opportune, prior to their admittance, to require that they take a preliminary course in Latin or in the fundamental concepts of canon law.

This cycle, lasting for six semesters or three years, during which the entire Code should be studied in depth by way of the complete study of its sources, both magisterial and disciplinary, along with other disciplines

having an affinity with it. Some courses are taught every year because their content is introductory and fundamental for other courses. Others are presented biennially.

Each student in this period is introduced to the practice of personal scientific and practical research especially regarding the sources. The student must participate in at least one seminar under the direction of a professor. Optional courses are also offered which provide opportunities for interested students to develop certain pertinent issues. Before the end of the cycle, the student must present a written dissertation that demonstrates his capacity for scientific work and his competence to pursue canonical studies at third level standard.

Classes are held from Monday to Thursday (8.30-12.15). Attendance is obligatory for courses and seminars. The second cycle concludes with a comprehensive examination on the entire law. This comprehensive oral examination lasts sixty minutes before a board of four professors who examine the candidate on topics contained in the *Argumenta proposita pro examine ad Licentiam in Iure Canonico consequendam*. The students who finish the three year programme and undertake the licence examination in the immediate summer or fall sessions are not obliged to take examinations in the individual courses dealing with the Code at the end of the last semester. Members of the board are free to ask questions contained in the above list of theses and are not restricted to the material that they have taught.

The comprehensive examination takes place only after the student has fulfilled all the requirements both academic and administrative. Students wishing to take the licence examination in the summer session must have their licence thesis definitively approved and graded by May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The licentiate thesis consists of between 50 and 100 pages. The student researches and writes the thesis under the direction of a Moderator who alone determines the mark.

The student must inform the Dean in writing regarding the topic of the thesis as well as the name of the Moderator.

## Programme of studies

### FIRST YEAR (COURSES TAUGHT EVERY YEAR)

#### FIRST SEMESTER

*Principal courses* *ECTS*

Libro I - Norme generali: cann. 1-95.....	5
Libro II - Il Popolo di Dio: i fedeli e i fedeli laici: cann. 204-207; 208-223; 224-231; 298-329.....	5
Libro II - La Suprema Autorità della Chiesa: cann. 330-367.....	3

#### *Auxiliary courses*

Istituzioni di Diritto romano.....	3
Storia delle Fonti del Diritto canonico.....	3
Metodologia giuridico - canonica.....	3
Lingua Latina I: .....	3

#### SECOND SEMESTER

#### *Principal courses*

Libro I - Norme generali: cann. 96-203.....	5
Libro II - Il Popolo di Dio: i chierici: cann. 232-293; 294-297; 1008-1054.....	5
Libro III - La Funzione d'insegnare della Chiesa: cann. 747-833 .....	3

#### *Auxiliary courses*

Filosofia del Diritto .....	3
Teologia del Diritto canonico .....	3
Storia delle Istituzioni canoniche .....	3
Lingua Latina I:.....	3

### SECOND YEAR (A.Y. 2008 - 2009)

#### FIRST SEMESTER

#### *Principal courses*

Libro II - Le Chiese particolari: cann. 368-430.....	5
Libro II - Il Popolo di Dio: gli Istituti di Vita Consacrata e le S.V.A: cann. 573-730; 731-746 .....	5
Libro IV - La Funzione di santificare: Battesimo, Confermazione, Eucaristia: cann. 834-958.....	5
Libro IV - Matrimonio I: cann. 1055-1094.....	5