

Zagreb Law Summer School

**Law, Society, and Crises of Democracy  
in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

**June 23 –  
July 4 2025**



Faculty of Law -  
University of Zagreb



## Description



In a complex and rapidly evolving contemporary society, understanding and critically evaluating the myriad forces shaping individuals, social groups, and societies, is more crucial than ever. From the political forces shaping countries to the economic structures that define societies and the ideological shifts that influence our daily life, numerous factors profoundly impact both us and the legal frameworks within which we operate. This is especially important in the current age of multiple democratic crises, happening all around the globe, which have seen democracy retreating, eroding, and even dying in many parts of the world.



## Why It Matters



Grasping the power structures, economic influences, cultural movements, and other societal phenomena is essential to understand what is happening with contemporary democracy. Democracy, and its many crises, not only shape the law and legal systems but also influence how these systems function, change, and adapt. Recognizing and understanding these phenomena enables us to both understand the current legal systems within which we live, as well as to adapt those systems to new conditions, modern trends, and the evolving needs of future generations.

## Opportunity for Growth



This summer school offers a unique opportunity to engage in a stimulating academic environment and gain the latest interdisciplinary and intersectional insights at the crossroads of law, sociology, political science, and philosophy. Led by distinguished experts, this program provides specialized knowledge, helps sharpen students' critical thinking, and presents fresh perspectives on the relationships among law, society, and politics within the context of democratic backsliding worldwide.



## Program Highlights



**Interdisciplinary Learning:** Understand how law impacts – and is impacted by – economics, sociology, and politics.  
**Expert Instruction:** Learn from prominent Croatian and international academics, law experts, and community leaders, dedicated to defending democracy and understanding the reasons behind its crises.  
**Skills Development:** Enhance your analytical abilities and critical thinking for a more nuanced understanding of the legal and political landscape in a globalized world.  
**Global and Local Perspectives:** Understand how law, society, and politics influence the quality of democracy on local, national, European, and global levels.

## WHO SHOULD APPLY

This summer school is ideal for students eager to expand their knowledge and develop critical perspectives on contemporary democratic challenges and the evolving role of law in addressing them. To enrol in the Summer School, students are expected to have completed at least 60 ECTS (i.e. one full year of studies) in law, political science, sociology, economics, or related disciplines prior to the start of the Summer School programme.

## LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

The Summer School will be taught in English. Students are expected to have sufficient knowledge of English at B2 level minimum, while C1 level is strongly recommended.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Please submit the following documents via the link:

<https://forms.gle/IZuGMxuKBCGTKj9P7>

- CV
- 300-word motivation letter, explaining your interest in attending this Summer School, with an emphasis on the topic of the School
- Proof of academic background
- Proof of English proficiency

## EXAMINATION

Regular attendance of at least 85% of all obligatory Summer School activities and a passing grade on the final exam are required for successful completion of the programme. The final exam will take place in a written form and will be graded on a Pass/Fail scale. Upon completion of the programme you will receive the Certificate. Workload of the Summer School programme is equivalent to 4 ECTS.

## COSTS

The cost of the 2025 Summer School is: EUR 600.00



The price includes:

- Administrative fee
- Tuition fee
- Wireless internet on campus
- Coffee and snacks during coffee breaks
- Welcome dinner and farewell reception
- Social and cultural events, sightseeing tour, etc.
- Study visits
- Welcome pack

Join us in Zagreb in 2025 to reassess how you understand law in relation to democracy, and take part in shaping a more informed and stable future. Apply today and become part of the next generation of thinkers!

## Meet our Summer School lecturers

The Zagreb Law Summer School is taught both by academic staff from the Faculty of Law of the University of Zagreb and guest lecturers who are experts in the field.

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