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Course Unit Program
Administrative Activity Law

Academic Year 2025/2026

1. Organic Unit

Faculty of Law

2. Course

LAW

3. Cycle

1st

4. Course Unit

Administrative Activity Law (02313)

5. Scientific Area

6. Curricular Year

2nd

7. Type of Curricular Unit / Semester

1st Semester

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8. Class type and workload (work time)

Theoretical classes:	30,00
Practical classes:	15,00
Theoretical-Practical Classes	
Tutorial Guidance:	20,00

9. ECTS Credits

6,00

10. Scientific Area Coordinator

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11. Regent

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12. Assistants

Drª SILVIA MARIA GALVÃO TELLES FRANCO PULIDO PEREIRA

13. Teaching Language

Portuguese

14. General Objectives

To contribute to a basic training in the field of Administrative Law, promoting knowledge of the Portuguese administrative system and, in particular, the respective general regime to which administrative activities are subject.

15. Specific Objectives

To favour the learning of the concepts, principles and legal-normative solutions considered most relevant for the understanding of a common background for the regulation of administrative activities in the Portuguese legal system and in the European context.

16. Skills to be acquired

Mastery of the jus-administrative logic that prevails in particular in the Portuguese legal system, enabling students to understand the administrative reality, to legally frame the main manifestations of administrative power, to solve practical issues that are relevant in the scope of General Administrative Law and to develop specialised studies.

17. Teaching Methodology

The teaching will be developed in the theoretical and practical aspects, framing in collective teaching sessions the individual learning efforts to be carried out by the students.

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18. Course Unit Program

INTRODUCTION

1. Administrative activity and administrative function
2. Administrative activity and public administration
3. Administrative activity and other legal-public activities
4. Typology of administrative activities
5. The Law of Administrative Activity. Framework
6. Administrative activity and administrative systems

CHAPTER I
FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

1. General considerations
2. The principle of pursuing the public interest
3. The principle of respect for legally protected rights and interests
4. The principle of legality
5. The principle of good administration
6. The principle of equality
7. The principle of proportionality
8. The principle of justice and reasonableness
9. The principle of impartiality
10. The principles of good faith and the protection of confidence
11. The principle of liability and the safeguarding of private property
12. Other fundamental principles

CHAPTER II
THEORY AND REGIME OF ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION

1. Concept of administrative regulation. Distinction between similar figures. Classifications
2. Regulatory competence
3. The procedure for the formation of administrative regulations
4. Form and publicity of administrative regulations
5. Modification and cancellation of administrative regulations
6. Invalidity and ineffectiveness of administrative regulations
7. Administrative impugnation of administrative regulations

CHAPTER III
THEORY AND REGIME OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE ACT

1. Concept of administrative act. Distinction between similar figures. Classifications
2. Structure of the administrative act
3. The competence for the production of administrative acts
4. The procedure for the formation of administrative acts

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5. Forms of disclosure and knowledge of administrative acts
6. Reasoning of administrative acts
7. Modification and cancellation of administrative acts
8. Invalidity and ineffectiveness of the administrative act
9. Administrative impugnation of administrative acts and reaction against the illegal omission of administrative acts.
10. Enforcement of administrative acts

CHAPTER IV
THEORY AND REGIME OF ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACTS

1. Introduction: concepts and general provisions
2. Public procurement procedures
3. Invalidity of administrative contracts
4. The execution of administrative contracts
5. Conformation of the administrative contractual relationship
6. Objective modifications of administrative contracts
7. Transmission of the administrative contractual position and subcontracting
8. Non-performance of administrative contracts
9. Termination of administrative contracts in general

19. Assessment Methods

Relevant elements: attendance; active participation in classes and complementary activities; elaboration and defense of written works; written tests of mid-term evaluation under the regulatory terms.

20. Didactic Resources

Availability in the Library and Documentation Centers of adequate and up-to-date bibliography and access to legal databases.

21. Sustainability Objectives

Promote the rule of law, at national and international level, and guarantee equality and universal access to justice.
Contribute to responsible, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at all levels.

22. Keywords

Administrative Law/Administrative Function/Administrative Activity

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Author(s):	Diogo Freitas do Amaral		
Title:	Curso de Direito Administrativo, vol. I I		
Edition:	4ª (reimp.)	Year:	2022
Local:	Coimbra		
Publisher:	Almedina		

Author(s):	José Carlos Vieira de Andrade		
Title:	Lições de Direito Administrativo		
Edition:	7ª	Year:	2025
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Author(s):	Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa/André Salgado Matos		
Title:	Direito Administrativo Geral - vols. I e III		
Edition:	Reimpressão	Year:	2010
Local:	Lisboa		
Publisher:	D.Quixote		

Author(s):	Paulo Otero		
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Edition:	Reimpressão da	Year:	2016
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