



## Bachelor's courses Faculty of Law

VU University Amsterdam - Student- & Onderwijszaken - Exchange programme Vrije Universiteit - 2019-2020



# Competition Law

<b>Course code</b>	R_Eur.comp.I (200943)
<b>Period</b>	Period 4
<b>Credits</b>	6.0
<b>Language of tuition</b>	English
<b>Faculty</b>	Faculty of Law
<b>Coordinator</b>	C. Kaupa
<b>Examinator</b>	C. Kaupa
<b>Teaching method(s)</b>	Reading
<b>Level</b>	400

## Course objective

The course provides an introduction to European competition law. By the end of the course, students will be able to analyze and discuss European competition law on a highly advanced level.

## Course content

The course deals with all central aspects of EU competition law: horizontal

agreements, the abuse of a dominant position, and merger control.

Additionally, we will take a close look at the US antitrust debate at various points. In particular, the course focuses on the growing concerns regarding the anti-competitive practices of the "Big Tech" companies. In this context we will also address the economic and political dimension of competition law: can markets still work efficiently and fairly in the presence of significant economic concentration? Does the growing concentration of economic power unduly undermine individual freedoms and democratic decision-making? And which instruments does competition law provide to keep these threats in check?

## Form of tuition

The course includes lectures, discussions and a moot court exercise.

## Type of assessment

Final assignment (take-home exam) and assignments related to the moot court exercise.

## Course reading

To be announced on Canvas

## Target group

Apart from regular students, the course is also available for:

Students from other universities/faculties

Exchange students

Contractor (students who pay for one course)