





# EUROPEAN FOOD LAW AND POLICY

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### **Course Aims**

The course will support acquiring introductory knowledge and skills related to the European Union food law and related policies.

The course also aims to provide students with entry-level legal knowledge to identify and apply the fundamental food law principles in their working life, prevent and adequately assess the legal issues arising, communicate the acquired knowledge using a technical legal language, and update consulting the legislation.

## Methodology

The course will adopt an interactive didactic approach, including lectures and case study discussions.

### **Course description**

The agri-food sector is one of the pillars of the Italian and European Union economy, where an interdisciplinary approach is highly requested. The theoretical-practical legal course encourages students to develop tools suitable for understanding and contextualizing the general principles and criteria that inform the legal framework in the food production field.

The "from farm to fork" and the "food life cycle approach" push the interpreter to look at the sector from the initial production to the market phase. Consequently, the course pays attention to topics such as food safety, protection of food consumers, and food business operators in the EU market, looking to educate future professionals to contextualize their scientific knowledge and to approach practical cases according to the general legal framework.

## **Recommended** texts

Review papers and documents provided by the lecturer.