

Domestic Tax Law (Spring)

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Required (1st yr.) / Basic Subjects / 2 credits

Course Description :

This course is to provide lectures on an outline of the tax system in general as well as Japan's tax system, focusing on the individual income tax, the corporate income tax, the consumption tax (VAT) and the inheritance and gift tax. Analyses based on international comparison will be incorporated. The course will also discuss the general direction of tax reforms that have been and are to be undertaken in Japan in response to changes in the economic and social environments. The contents of lectures are structured on the basis of the experience of the lecturer in charge as an official serving the Japanese government for an extended period of time.

Course Plan :

- 1 Introductory discussion
 - 2 Individual income tax (1) (Basic structure)
 - 3 Individual income tax (2) (Comprehensive taxation for business, salary and other incomes)
 - 4 Individual income tax (3) (Separate taxation for financial and investment income)
 - 5 Direction of the tax reform of the individual income tax
 - 6 Corporate income tax (1) (Basic structure)
 - 7 Corporate income tax (2) (Deductible expenses, Loss carried forward, family corporation, etc.)
 - 8 Corporate income tax (3) (Tax qualified corporate reorganization, consolidated tax return, international aspects, etc.)
 - 9 Consumption tax (1) (Basic structure)
 - 10 Consumption tax (2) (Taxpayers, place of tax payment, tax base and rates)
 - 11 Consumption tax (3) (Subtraction method, simplified taxation, payment, etc.)
 - 12 Direction of the tax reform of the corporate income tax and the consumption tax
 - 13 Inheritance and gift tax
- Other Discussion of Topical Issues

Method of Evaluation :

Evaluation will be based on a term paper and class participation.

Textbooks :

PowerPoint slides will be used and distributed. Specific textbooks would be designated.

Lecturer's Comments to Students :

The course will be provided mainly by lectures while opportunities are given for class discussion occasionally. Students are requested to participate actively in class discussions.

Questions/Comments :

Questions will be answered during class, by appointments or via e-mails.