



Syllabus

Fundamental social rights

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- I. The categories of fundamental rights and their pertinence.
- II. The social rights: The rights of poor, or poor rights?
- III. Welfare state and social rights: Universalizing the particular, substantializing democracy.
- IV. International protection, a privileged way of the "Fundamentalization" of social rights.
- V. The plurality of sources of social rights and their normative and symbolic meaning. (The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, The European Social Charter, The International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the European Charter of Fundamental Social Rights, The ILO Declaration on fundamental principles and rights at work and the common constitutional traditions of the member states of the European Union).
- VI. Social rights in the European legal order: An ambiguous and fragile situation.
- VII. Social rights, instruments for expanding the internal market.
- VIII. The process of European integration and the necessary protection of fundamental social rights. The inclusion of social rights in the material field of treaties.

- IX. The principle of non-discrimination, an instrument for promoting the normative value of social rights.
- X. European social citizenship, a new foundation for fundamental social rights?
- XI. Social rights facing the economic aims of the Treaties in times of crisis.