

The Academic Research Initiative Framework of JÖSz College of Advanced Legal Studies

„Fostering Innovation in Jurisprudence”

The Academic Research Initiative (ARI) Framework is a cornerstone of the professional curriculum at JÖSz College, designed to bridge the gap between academic theory and high-level legal practice. By integrating multiple legal disciplines, the system provides innovative solutions to complex, sector-specific questions of the 21st century.

I. Methodology and Structure

Each semester, the College launches multiple distinct ARI projects, each consisting of a dedicated team of 15-17 students. To maintain holistic legal perspective, ARIs operate on an interdisciplinary basis, ensuring that research topics touch upon all major departments of the College:

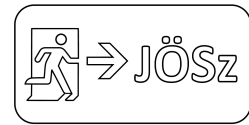
- Department of Civil Law
- Department of Criminal Law
- Department of Public Law
- Department of International and European Union Law

This collaborative effort is bolstered by a dual mentorship structure. Projects are conducted under the professional supervision of esteemed mentors—including senior practitioners from top-tier international law firms and high-ranking judicial officials—who provide real-world insights into the evolving regulatory landscape.

Furthermore, each team is assisted by a JÖSz Alumni member of the Professional Committee, who ensures academic rigor and institutional continuity by drawing on their significant professional achievements and previous collegiate experience to support the individual development of each researcher.

II. Professional Outcome and Impact

The primary objective of the ARI program is to generate high-value intellectual products by fostering a culture of rigorous independent research and collaborative synergy within specialized teams. As a pinnacle of the College’s Jurisprudence cornerstone, this high-level



creative activity requires members to address the multifaceted challenges of the 21st century through an interdisciplinary lens that encompasses all academic departments, including Civil, Criminal, Public, and International and EU Law.

The research process reaches its sophisticated conclusion at the semi-annual JÖSz Conference, where project teams present their comprehensive studies and defend their findings before a distinguished panel composed of leading representatives from academia, the judiciary, and the international corporate legal market. Beyond the immediate presentation, these research outcomes frequently serve as the academic foundation for formal publications in scientific journals or as award-winning theses in National Scientific Students' Council (OTDK) competitions.

While the initial decision to join is voluntary, once a member commits to an initiative, it becomes a formal academic requirement under the College's Academic Regulations, ensuring the production of a scholarly output that fulfills the College's mission of educating the next generation of legal experts.

III. Examples of Research Focus Areas

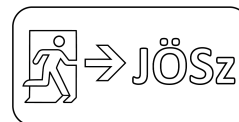
III. 1. Data Protection and GDPR Regulation Research Project

This research project examines the increasingly complex regulatory landscape of data privacy, with a particular focus on the IT sector's legal framework. The program addresses the practical and jurisprudential challenges of the digital era, ensuring that participants develop a comprehensive understanding of international data protection standards.

The project is conducted in cooperation with Partos & Noblet Law Firm (in association with Hogan Lovells). Under the professional supervision of Dr. András Multas and supported by JÖSz Alumna Dr. Léda Barkai, the research team engages in the in-depth analysis of global compliance trends and corporate data strategies. The initiative aims to provide students with a sophisticated professional foundation, bridging the gap between academic theory and the specialized requirements of international legal practice.

III. 2. Artificial Intelligence and the Technological Revolution Research Project

This research initiative examines the profound implications of artificial intelligence within contemporary legal structures and the broader societal environment. Building upon the foundational findings of the previous term, the project focuses on the intersection of



fundamental rights and algorithmic decision-making, mapping the multifaceted challenges presented by increasingly autonomous systems to both the individual and the legal order.

Academic and institutional oversight is provided by Dr. Tamás Parti, President of the Budapest Chamber of Notaries. Under his supervision, and with the assistance of Alumni mentor Dr. Lilla Kakuk, the research team explores the evolution of evidentiary standards and the necessity of adapting legal safeguards to a technologically advanced era. The project provides a rigorous platform for students to analyze digital sovereignty and the ethical integration of AI within the framework of the rule of law, ensuring that the next generation of legal scholars is prepared for the paradigm shifts of the 21st century.

III. 3. Competition Law in the 21st Century Research Project

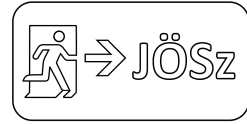
This research project provides a rigorous analytical framework for examining the evolving relationship between competition law and the technological shifts of the contemporary global market. The investigation primarily focuses on the intricate nexus between antitrust regulation and the digital economy, specifically addressing the implications of "Big Data," algorithmic market behaviors, and artificial intelligence – subjects that have increasingly defined the recent jurisprudence of the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU).

The project is conducted in collaboration with BDO Legal Jókay & Partners Law Firm. Under the professional guidance of Dr. István Jókay, LL.M., and with the support of Alumni mentor Dr. Bálint Bordács, participants engage in a systematic evaluation of enforcement practices by the Hungarian Competition Authority (GVH). Beyond the analysis of recent precedents, the research explores significant legislative developments, including the amendments to the Hungarian Competition Act regarding private enforcement and cartel damage claims. The initiative is designed to equip members with the sophisticated methodological tools required to navigate the complex economic and regulatory challenges that will characterize the coming decade.

IV. Strategic Goal

Through the ARI Framework, JÖSz College Budapest actively fulfills its foundational mission to foster the professional evolution, preparedness, and specialized skills of its members.

By investigating the emerging sectors and legal frontiers of the 21st century, our members generate intellectual products with the highest added value, bridging the gap between academic



theory and practical legal innovation. This rigorous process cultivates the critical thinking, independent research abilities, and collaborative teamwork essential for leading the legal profession into the future.

The successful completion of these initiatives is a key component of the JÖSz Diploma, a distinction awarded to members who demonstrate exceptional commitment and specialized knowledge across various legal and interdisciplinary fields. Grounded in a sense of responsibility worthy of the institution, this framework ensures that participation – though initially voluntary – becomes a binding professional commitment, reflecting the highest standards of excellence required of the next generation of legal experts.