



Course title	Public International Law
Course Code	LAW205.1
Category (core/elective)	Core
Level	LLB in European Law and BA in European Law and Governance
Duration (semesters)	1
Semester when taught (autumn/spring)	Spring
ECTS:	6
Access requirements	None
Responsible	Dr. Nikolaos Voulgaris/ Professor Tatjana Papic
Course objectives	
The course of Public International Law is designed to introduce students to the basic subjects and sources of international law, the current state of the international legal order, and the ever-present tension between theory and practice that arises in the application of international law to real-world situations.	
Course Description	
The course offers a general overview of Public International Law as well as its perspectives. The course will be based on the following pillars: (a) The nature of the international legal order, (b) the sources of international law, (c) the subjects of international law, (d) international responsibility, (e) international courts and tribunals and finally (f) substantive issues.	

Course Outline

Week 1: Nature and Sources of International Law

Basic Reading: , Lowe Ch. 1 and Abass, Ch. 1

Week 2: Sources of International Law

Basic Reading: , Lowe Ch. 2 and Abass, Ch. 2

Week 3: Treaties

Basic Reading: Lowe, Section 2.2 and Abass, Ch.3

Tutorial 1: The Sources of Int^l Law

Week 4: International Legal Personality: Statehood and Recognition

Basic Reading: Lowe, Ch. 4 and Abass, Ch. 4

Week 5: International Legal Personality: Individuals and Int. Organizations

Basic Reading: Abass, Ch. 5

Tutorial 2: The Subjects of Int^l Law

Week 6: International Law & Municipal Law

Basic Reading: Lowe, Ch. 4, Abass, Ch. 9

Tutorial 3: International Law in Domestic Courts

Week 7: Jurisdiction

Basic Reading: Lowe, Ch. 5 and Abass, Ch. 7

Week 9: Immunity from Jurisdiction

Basic Reading: Lowe, Sections 5.13-5.14 and Abass, Ch. 8

Week 8: International Dispute Settlement

Basic Reading: Abass, Chs. 14-15

Tutorial 4: Int^l Courts and Tribunals in the international legal order

Week 10: International Responsibility

Basic Reading: Lowe, Sections 3.9-3.10 and Abass, Ch. 13

Tutorial 5: Individual Criminal Responsibility

Week 11: Use of Force and Collective Security

Basic Reading: Lowe, Ch. 8 and Abass, Chs. 10- 11

Week 12: International Law applied

Basic Reading: Lowe, Chs.6-7 and Abass Chs. 16-19

Tutorial : Substantive Issues-Revision

Educational Outcomes

Students should be able to:

- Understand the main features of the international legal system and the basic principles that govern public international law.
- Be familiar with the main techniques of research and analysis and the various approaches to international law
- Be aware of and able to evaluate the main challenges in the development of public international law in a range of areas.
- Understand the various ways in which the international legal system interacts with national legal systems.

Basic Textbook(s)

- V. Lowe, International Law, (Oxford University Press, 2007).
- A. Abass, International Law, Text Cases and Materials, 2nd edition (Oxford University Press, 2014)

Basic Bibliography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - J. Crawford, <i>Brownlie's Principles of Public International Law</i>, 8th edition (New York: Oxford University Press, 2012). -M. Evans (ed.), <i>International Law</i> (4th ed., OUP, 2014) -M. Dixon, R. McCorquodale & S. Williams, <i>Cases & Materials on International Law</i> (6th ed., OUP, 2016) - A. Cassese, <i>International Law</i>, 2nd edition (New York: Oxford University Press, 2005). - M. Shaw, <i>International Law</i>, 7th edition (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2014). - R. Higgins, <i>Problems & Process: International Law and How We Use It</i> (1994) - P. Malanczuk, <i>Akehurst's Modern Introduction to International Law</i> (7th edn, 1997) 						
Additional Bibliography	Additional bibliography will be offered specifically for each lecture.						
Teaching Methodology	<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Lectures</td> <td style="text-align: right;">12 x 2 = 24 h</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tutorials</td> <td style="text-align: right;">6 x 2 = 12 h</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">Total = 36 h</td> </tr> </table>	Lectures	12 x 2 = 24 h	Tutorials	6 x 2 = 12 h		Total = 36 h
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General note	Bibliography and reading materials may be altered in order to accommodate student's needs and individual professor's approaches						