

COURSE TITLE
ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL LAW

Study programme
International Relations

LM-52i

LAUREA (MAGISTRALE)

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Year of study (I, II)

II

Semester (I, II)

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EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES

Knowledge and understanding

The student shall demonstrate a sufficient legal knowledge of the topics dealt with during the course. He/she shall demonstrate a sufficient logical understanding of the same topics. Then he/she shall be able to evaluate critically the rules and regulations studied within the functioning mechanism of international relations.

Applying knowledge and understanding

The knowledge acquired during the course shall permit the student to handle the learned topics. In particular the student shall demonstrate that he/she, thanks to the reached knowledge, can initiate further studies with a high level of autonomy. He/she shall be able to sustain critical argumentations with reference of the topics studied during the course.

Further expected learning outcomes:

- **Making judgements:** The student shall demonstrate his/her capacity to develop critical evaluation and personal analysis with reference to the main rules of international law studied during the course. He/she shall be able to read and understand the main customary and conventional rules of international law and to apply autonomous judgements to specific practical or theoretical problems.
- **Communication skills:** The student shall be able to communicate clearly, exhaustively and persuasively the legal knowledge acquired during the course concerning the contents and interpretation of international law as well cases and States practice.
- **Learning skills:** The student shall demonstrate he/she has developed an excellent capacity of understanding international law rules, cases and States practice wherein as well as their impact on international relations. He/she shall be skilled in looking for the sources of international law, the judgements from international courts and tribunals, and the implementation of international law within the internal legal orders.

CONTENTS

- 1) What is international law
- 2) Who makes international law and its recipients
- 3) Making and changing international rules
- 4) International law and domestic legal system
- 5) Breaking international law and its consequences
- 6) International means of dispute settlement
- 7) Sovereignty
- 8) Territorial sovereignty (Concept of Territory, Means of Acquisition of Territorial Sovereignty, Borders, Internal Waters)
- 9) Sovereignty, Sovereign Rights and Jurisdiction at sea (Territorial Sea, Contiguous Zone, Exclusive Economic Zone, Continental Shelf, High Seas, International Seabed Area, Regime of Straits and Canals, Settlement of Disputes in the Law of the Sea)
- 10) Environmental Law (Evolution, Actors, Sources, Enforcement, Substantive Environmental Law, Ozone layer and environmental changes)
- 11) International Economic Law (International Finance Law, International Trade Law, International Investment Law)
- 12) International Human Rights Law (Evolution, the UN System of Protection of Human Rights, Light and Shadow, the Regional Systems of Protection of Human Rights)
- 13) International Refugee and Migration Law
- 14) International Humanitarian Law (Definition of armed conflicts, Regimes of conflicts: international armed conflicts and

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internal armed conflicts, Combatants, Prisoners of War, Wounded and Sick, Civilians, Lawful and Unlawful Targets, Means and Methods of combat, Disarmament)
15) International Criminal Law (Evolution, Genocide, Crimes against Humanity, War Crimes, Aggression, International Criminal Court)

N.B. Students attending around 80% of the course will not sustain the exam on sections: 1,2,3,4,5,6.

RECOMMENDED READING:

Attila M. Tanzi, *International Law. A Concise Introduction*, Bonomo Editore, Bologna, 2017: all the book.

Malcom Evans, *International Law*, Fifth Edition, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2018: only *Part VII. The Application of International Law* (21. The law of the sea, *Malcolm Evans*; 22. International environmental law, *Catherine Redgwell*; 23. International investment law, *Surya Subedi*; 24. International criminal law, *Robert Cryer*; 25. International human rights law, *Nigel Rodley*; 26. International refugee and migration law, *Geoff Gilbert and Anna Magdalena Rüsck*; 27. The law of armed conflict (international humanitarian law), *David Turns*).

Lecture notes on Sovereignty, International Economic Law and European Regional System of Human Rights Protection supplied by the professor.

ASSESSMENT METHOD

a) Learning results to be verified: The results to be verified are the full comprehension of the topics dealt with during the course, the full knowledge of the relevant rules of international law, case law and State practice, the reached ability to comment and evaluate rules and practical cases.

b) Assessment method:

The exam will consist of	Written and oral examination	Written examination	Oral examination	X
In case of a written exam, questions are*	Multiple choices	Open questions	Numerical exercises	

(*) more answers possible