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Centro
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Public International Law

Syllabus

Industrial Organization Engineering Degree

Academic year 2012-2013

1. Course details

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| Name | Public International Law | | | | |
| Course field | International and Constitutional Law | | | | |
| Code | 511103004 | | | | |
| Degree Course | Industrial Organization Engineering Degree | | | | |
| Programme | 2009 (Decreto 269/2009 de 31 de julio) | | | | |
| Faculty | Centro Universitario de la Defensa en la Academia General del Aire | | | | |
| Type | Compulsory | | | | |
| Duration | Four-month course | Year | 2012-2013 | | |
| Language | Spanish | | | | |
| ECTS | 6 | Hours / ECTS | 25 | Total workload (hours) | 150 |
| Lectures Timetable | 1st four-month period: Mondays. 7:45-9:30 Thursdays. 7:45-8:35 and 10:50-11:40 2nd four-month period: Mondays. 7:45-9:30 Thursdays. 7:45-9:30 | | | Room | 1 |
| Classes/Practicals/Seminars timetable | | | Building | Pabellón 3 | |

2. Teaching Staff contact details

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3. Course outline

3.1. Presentation

This course aims to introduce the basic elements of the International Law as an instrument for the regulation of the international public relations. International Law plays increasingly important role. So the course intends to equip students with the essential knowledge of its institutions, processes and regulations.

3.2. Year and duration within the degree programme

International Law is a 6 ECTS course taught in the 3rd year of the Industrial Organization Engineering Degree. It is taught along a four-month period.

3.3. Description of the course

The Spanish Defence Policy provides for Armed Forces' mission of an international nature from the threefold perspective of conflict resolution, peace consolidation and humanitarian aid.

Consequently, the Armed Forces officers should gain the knowledge and skills necessary to carry out their missions, including the use of international legal order and the regulation of responsibility in this field.

3.4. Related courses. Prerequisites and recommendations

International Public Law is partly overlapped with Constitutional Law. So both courses have a common area of interest in the study of the sources of legal order. For this reason it is highly recommended to review this content.

Likewise, this course is related to International Relations, taught in the 4th year of the Industrial Organization Engineering Degree.

4. Competences

4.1. Specific competences of the course

Basic knowledge of the regulations for international public relations. Acquire knowledge of both International Society and International Public Law.

4.2. Generic and transversal competences

INSTRUMENTAL COMPETENCES

- T1.1 Analytical and summary skills
- T1.2 Organizational and planning skills
- T1.3 Oral and written communication skills in their mother tongue
- T1.4 Oral and written comprehension skills in a foreign language
- T1.5 Basic computer skills
- T1.6 Information management ability
- T1.7 Problem solving skills
- T1.8 Decision making ability

PERSONAL COMPETENCES

- T2.1 Critical and self-critical ability
- T2.2 Teamwork
- T2.3 Interpersonal skills
- T2.4 Ability to work in an interdisciplinary team
- T2.5 Ability to communicate with experts in other fields
- T2.6 Ability to deal with diversity and multiculturalism
- T2.6 Environmental awareness
- T2.8 Ethical commitment

SYSTEMIC COMPETENCES

- T3.1 Ability to apply theory to practice
- T3.2 Learning ability
- T3.3 Ability to adapt to new situations
- T3.4 Creativity
- T3.5 Leadership
- T3.6 Knowledge about other cultures and customs
- T3.7 Ability to work autonomously
- T3.8 Initiative and entrepreneurship
- T3.9 Quality concern
- T3.10 Motivation for success

4.3. General aims/ Degree specific competences

SPECIFIC COMPETENCES OF THE FIELD

- E1.3 Knowledge about basic matters on the material and human resources management, within a safe legal environment of industrial or public organization.

PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCES

- E2.2 Ability to use compulsory specifications and binding normative

4.4. Learning objectives

At the end of this course students will be able to:

- Identify the actors in International Law.
- Outline the sources of international legal order.
- Explain the relationship between international and domestic law.
- Describe briefly the State responsibility in the international system.
- Outline the claims procedures for international State responsibility.
- Put forward the international law procedures for the pacific settlement of international disputes.
- Give legal arguments.
- Tackle legal problems.

5. Contents

5.1. Contents according to the Degree programme

Concept of International Public Law. The origins of the International Legal Order. The relationship between international and domestic law. Actors in International Law. Application and enforcement of International Law.

5.2. Lectures programme

UNIT 1.- International law and community. Subjects of international law

UNIT 2.- The international legal order (I): international treaties

UNIT 3.- The international legal order (II): customary international law and other normative expressions

UNIT 4.- Relations between the Spanish and the international legal orders

UNIT 5.- The international responsibility of the State

UNIT 6.- The pacific settlement of international disputes

5.3. Classes/Seminars/practicals/tutorials programme

Practicals programme will consist of two film viewing and discussion activities related with the content of the course:

- Self determination of peoples.
- International State responsibility.

6. Teaching methodology

| 6.1. Learning activities | | | |
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| Activity | Lecturer role | Student role | ECTS |
| Classes | Explanation of the subject. Clearing up doubts about it. | <u>Attendance</u> : Attendance to classes and participation | 2,1 |
| | | <u>Non-attendance</u> : Exam preparation | 1,4 |
| Film viewing and discussion activities | Selection of audiovisual materials and activities preparation. Supervision of student's work. | <u>Attendance</u> : Viewing of the movie. Discussion of its legal-related issues. | 0,16 |
| | | <u>Non-attendance</u> : Filling in the previously distributed form. | 0,1 |
| Term paper | Selection of materials. Guiding on how to write the term paper. | <u>Non-attendance</u> : Previous reading and comprehension of the materials. Writing the term paper. | 0,24 |
| Supervisions | Student's individual supervisions on request. | <u>Attendance</u> : Attendance to supervisions. | 0,4 |
| Individual written exam | Final examination. | <u>Attendance</u> : Exam taking. | 0,1 |
| TOTAL | | | 6 |

7. Assessment

| 7.1. Assessment system | | | |
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| Methods | Criteria | Weighting | Generic competences |
| Individual written exam | Exam will consist of short-answering theory questions. It assesses students learning and written communication skills in their mother tongue. | 80% | T1.1., T1.3, T1.6, T2.8, E1.3.d, E2.7 |
| Film viewing and discussion activities | Taking an active part in the discussion activities. Compulsory presentation of the forms. It assesses analytical skills and ability to apply theory to practice. | 10% | T1.1, T1.3, T1.6, T1.7, T1.8, T2.1, T2.6, T2.8, T3.1, T3.3 |
| Term paper | Writing a term paper about issues related to International Public Law. It assesses both work autonomously and critical ability, as well comprehension of text in law, information management and written communication in their mother tongue. | 10% | T1.1, T1.3, T1.6, T1.7, T1.8, T2.5, T2.7, T2.8, T3.1, T3.3, T3.4, E1.3.d, E2.5, E2.7, E2.8 |

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| | 100% | T1.1., T1.3, T1.6, T1.7, T1.8, T2.1, T2.5, T2.6, T2.7, T2.8, T3.1, T3.3, T3.4, E1.3.d, E2.5, E2.7, E2.8 |
| In order to pass the course, a minimum combined activities and final exam mark of 50% will have to be attained. It is also required to pass the individual written exam. | | |

7.2. Learning process monitoring

- **Individual written exam:** Exam consists in short-answering questions. In order to pass it, a mark of 5 points will have to be achieved.
- **Practicals and supervisions:** Classroom participation will be assessed. Particular attention will be paid to participations in discussion activities.
- **Film viewing and discussion activities:** Along the four-months period two film viewing and discussion activities will be done. Students must fill in the corresponding form.
- **Term paper:** Students have to write a term paper on International Law issues. Both materials and requirements shall be given the first day of class. Argumental framework, structure and critical analysis will be assessed.
- Marks obtained in both film activities and term papers shall be added to the August exam. Students retaking the course will have to rewrite them.
- Copying any of the proposed task will be punished with the failing of the June exam.

8. Results, learning activities and assessment

8.1. Learning objectives/learning activities/results assessment

| Learning objectives (4.4) | Classes | Film viewing and discussion activities | Term paper | Supervisions | Exam preparation |
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| Identify the actors in International Law | ■ | ■ | ■ | | ■ |
| Outline the sources of international legal order | ■ | | | | ■ |
| Explain the relationship between International and domestic law | ■ | | | | ■ |
| Describe briefly the responsibility in the international system | ■ | ■ | | | ■ |
| Outline the claims procedures for international State responsibility | ■ | ■ | | | ■ |

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| Put forward the international law procedures for the pacific settlement of international disputes | ■ | | | | ■ |
| Give legal arguments | ■ | | | | |
| Tackle legal problems | | | ■ | | |

9. SCHEDULE

| Week | Unit | ATTENDANCE ACTIVITIES | | | | NON-ATTENDANCE ACTIVITIES | | | TOTAL HOURS | DEADLINE |
|-------------|-------|-----------------------|--|------------------|------|---------------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|----------|
| | | Conventional | | Non conventional | | Exam preparation | Film viewing form | Term paper | | |
| | | Classes | Film viewing and discussion activities | Supervisions | Exam | | | | | |
| 1 | U1 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | | 4,3 | |
| 2 | U1 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | | 4,3 | |
| 3 | U1,U2 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 5,3 | |
| 4 | U2 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | | 4,3 | |
| 5 | U2 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | | 4,3 | |
| 6 | U3 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 5,3 | |
| 7 | U3,U4 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | | 4,3 | |
| 8 | U4 | 1,65 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 5,3 | |
| 8 | U1 | | 1,65 | | | | | | | |
| 9 | U4 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | 1 | | 5,3 | |
| 10 | U4 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | | 4,3 | |
| 11 | U4 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | | 4,3 | |
| 12 | U5 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | 3 | 7,3 | |
| 13 | U5 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | | 4,3 | Tp |
| 14 | U5 | 0,8 | | | | 1 | | | 4,3 | |
| 14 | U5 | | 2,5 | | | | | | | |
| 15 | U6 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | 1,34 | | 5,74 | Ff |
| 16 | U6 | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | | 4,3 | |
| 17 | | 3,3 | | | | 1 | | | 4,3 | |
| Exams | | | | | 2,5 | 18 | | | 20,5 | |
| Others | | | | 10 | | | | | 10 | |
| Total hours | | 52,5 | 4,16 | 10 | 2,5 | 35 | 2,34 | 6 | 112,5 | |

U: Unit

Ff: Film viewing form

TP: Term paper

10. REFERENCES

10.1 Basic references

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10.2 Other references

- Díez de Velasco, M. *Instituciones de Derecho Internacional Público*. Tecnos.
- Pastor Ridruejo, J.A. *Curso de Derecho Internacional Público y Organizaciones Internacionales*. Tecnos.
- Rodríguez Carrión, A.J. *Lecciones de Derecho Internacional Público*. Tecnos.

10.3 Webs and other sources

- Naciones Unidas: www.un.org/es
- Corte Internacional de Justicia: www.icj-cij.org
- Tribunal Constitucional: www.tribunalconstitucional.es
- Tribunal Europeo de Derechos Humanos: www.echr.coe.int