

A COURSE SYLLABUS – DOCTORAL SCHOOL
regarding the qualification cycle from 2024/2025 to 2027/2028

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT COURSE				
Course title		DOCTORAL SEMINAR		
Name of the unit running the course		Doctoral School at University of Rzeszów		
Type of course (obligatory, optional)		obligatory subject		
Year and semester of studies		year I - IV, semester: I - VIII		
Discipline		legal sciences		
Language of Course		Polish language		
Name of Course coordinator		dr hab. Lidia Brodowski, prof. UR		
Name of Course lecturer		dr hab. Lidia Brodowski, prof. UR, dr hab. Dagmara Kuźniar, prof. UR		
Prerequisites		In-depth knowledge of public international law		
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF COURSE (100-200 words)				
<p>Purpose: To expand knowledge and develop skills in the use of knowledge and terminology in the field of public international law, with particular emphasis on international human rights law and the law of the European Union.</p> <p>Course content:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. the system of public international law - introductory issues.2. features of international law.3. the sources of international law.4. The role and functioning of international organisations.5. General issues of European Union law.6. Institutional law of the European Union.7. The internal market of the European Union.8. The nature of acts adopted by the European Union.9. The role of the CJEU in assessing the validity and interpretation of Union law.10. The international mechanisms for the protection of human rights.11. The role of the ECHR in the human rights protection system.12. The relationship and cooperation between various international organisations.13. The impact of international court decisions on domestic law.				
COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES AND METHODS OF EVALUATING LEARNING OUTCOMES				
Learning outcome	The description of the learning outcome defined for the course	Relation to the degree programme outcomes (symbol)	Learning Format (Lectures, classes,...)	Method of assessment of learning outcomes (e.g. test, oral exam, written exam, project,...)
Knowledge (no.)	knows and understands, has knowledge			
P8S_WG1	has knowledge of the terminology and general issues concerning international and EU law, and understands the relationship between international and EU law and national law;	P8S_WG	seminar	oral statement
P8S_WG2	knows and understands the methodology of research	P8S_WG	seminar	oral statement

	in the field of international law, including the principles of planning and carrying out research using interdisciplinary approaches and research tools specific for the field of social sciences;			
P8S_WG3	the conceptual grid of the discipline (also in the leading foreign language of the discipline) and related disciplines;	P8S_WG	seminar	oral statement
Skills (no.)	can			
P8S_UW1	based on the possessed knowledge from various fields of science is able to identify and solve a scientific research problem, define the aim, formulate a hypothesis and the subject of scientific research, improve techniques, methods and research tools and make conclusions on the basis of the results of scientific research;	P8S_UW	seminar	oral statement
P8S_UW2	is able to identify relevant legal issues in international affairs and apply relevant norms and principles to solve them;	P8S_UW	seminar	oral statement
P8S_UW3	apply the knowledge he/she possesses to the analysis and evaluation of the results of scientific research, forming an opinion on this basis, including critical judgments;	P8S_UW	seminar	oral statement
P8S_UK6	is able to prepare and deliver a speech on the results of his/her research - has the ability to present the results of his/her research in a clear, logical and coherent way in Polish and in a foreign language in a scientific and professional environment;	P8S_UK	seminar	oral statement
Social competence (no.)	is ready to			
P8S_KK1	to critically analyse and evaluate achievements within his/her scientific discipline and to assess the impact of his/her research results on the development of the selected field;	P8S_KK	seminar	oral statement
P8S_KK3	using the acquired knowledge, he/she effectively solves problems of both theoretical and practical nature;	P8S_KK	seminar	oral statement

FORMS OF TEACHING, HOURS AND CREDITS						
Semester (no.)	Lectures	Seminars	Conversatory / Lab classes	Internships	others	ECTS
I - VII	-	-	-	-	7 x 15 hrs. – 105 hrs.	14

METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

ACADEMIC DISCUSSION, ANALYSIS OF INTERNATIONAL COURT CASE LAW, ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION OF LEGAL TEXTS, ANALYSIS OF THE LITERATURE ON THE SUBJECT, PREPARATION AND PRESENTATION OF RESEARCH OBJECTIVES AND RESEARCH METHODS, EVALUATION OF PROGRESS IN THE PREPARATION OF THE DISSERTATION, USE OF DISTANCE LEARNING METHODS.

COURSE CONTENT

Doctoral seminar - substantive description of the program content:

semester I

Topic : Introduction to international law issues

Topic : Sources of international law and analysis of jurisprudence

Topic : Nature of international law norms

semester II

Topic : States and international organisations as subjects of international law

Topic : International organisations and their role in the creation of international law

Topic : Analysis of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities of 13 December 2006.

semester III

Topic : The evolution of European integration: from the European Communities to the European Union

Topic : The institutions of the European Union: competences, structure and mutual relations I

Topic : The institutions of the European Union: competences, structure and mutual relations II

semester IV

Topic : The European Union's common market: principles and mechanisms of functioning

Topic : The principle of accessibility and the EU internal market - analysis of legal texts and case law

Topic : The relationship of the European Union with other international organisations

semester V

Topic : Problems of the international system of human rights protection

Topic : The role of international tribunals in the protection of human rights - analysis of judgments

Topic : Human rights in national legal orders - analysis of judgments

semester VI

Topic : Research methodology in international law

Topic : The role of international law theory in shaping research methods

Topic : Analysis of the subject literature

semester VII

Topic : Directions in the development of international law Topic : Directions in the development of international law.

COURSE ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

- Active participation of the doctoral student in classes, reading of the indicated literature, demonstration of continuous improvement of skills, as well as involvement of the doctoral student and progress in the preparation of the dissertation are required.

- Credit for the course is given in the form of an oral statement in class. Possible semester grades are: 2.0, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0

Percentage requirements for the grading scale:

To obtain a pass grade, a conversion factor for the corresponding percentage of points obtained is applied:

- up to 50% - inadequate, (the doctoral student does not make progress in research, does not expand knowledge, does not study the readings, does not participate in substantive discussion, does not meet academic obligations);

- 51% - 60% - satisfactory, (the doctoral student makes negligible progress in scientific research, expands the knowledge, studies basic literature, the discussion is limited to a narrow range of substantive knowledge, meets basic scientific obligations);

- 61% - 70% - satisfactory plus, (the doctoral student makes progress in scientific research, broadens knowledge, studies basic literature, participates in the discussion in a substantial way, fulfils his/her scientific duties);

- 71% - 80% - good, (the doctoral student makes significant progress in scientific research, broadens knowledge,

studies basic and supplementary literature, substantively participates in discussions, fulfils all scientific duties);

- 81% - 90% - good plus, (the doctoral student makes significant progress in scientific research, systematically extends knowledge, studies primary and supplementary literature, substantively participates in discussion, fulfils all scientific obligations);
- 91% - 100% - very good (doctoral student makes significant progress in scientific research, systematically extends knowledge, studies basic, complementary and beyond obligatory literature, substantively participates in discussion, meets all scientific obligations);

**TOTAL PhD STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE THE INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES
– NUMBER OF HOURS AND ECTS CREDITS**

Activity	Number of hours
Scheduled course contact hours	7 x 15 hrs. – 105 hrs.
Other contact hours involving the teacher (consultation hours, examinations)	6
Non-contact hours – student's own work (preparation for classes or examinations, project, etc.)	309
Total number of hours	420
Total number of ECTS credits	14

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

Compulsory literature:	<p>E. ALL-WINALKIEWICZ, W. SZ. STASZEWSKI (ED.), PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW - SYSTEM OUTLINE, WARSAW 2024</p> <p>P. CRAIG, G. BURCA, EU LAW - TEXT, CASES AND MATERIALS, OXFORD 2024</p> <p>M. BALCERZAK, R. BIERZANEK, M. KAŁDŃSKI, J. SYMONIDES, PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW, WARSAW 2023</p> <p>J. BARCZ, M. GÓRKA, A. WYROZUMSKA, EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS AND LAW, WARSAW 2023</p> <p>J. BARCIK, R. GRZESZCZAK (ED.), LAW OF THE EUROPEAN UNION, WARSAW 2022</p> <p>K. ORZESZYNA, M. SKWARZYŃSKI, R. TABACZEWSKI, INTERNATIONAL LAW OF HUMAN RIGHTS, WARSAW 2022</p> <p>S. BIERNAT (ED.), SYSTEM OF EUROPEAN UNION LAW. VOLUME I. BASICS AND SOURCES OF EUROPEAN UNION LAW, WARSAW 2020</p> <p>W. GÓRALCZYK, S. SAWICKI, PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW IN OUTLINE, WARSAW 2020</p> <p>A. BRODERICK, D. FERRI, INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN DISABILITY LAW AND POLICY - TEXT, CASES AND MATERIALS, CAMBRIDGE 2019</p> <p>J. BARCIK, T. SROGOSZ, INTERNATIONAL LAW, WARSAW 2019.</p> <p>CRAWFORD, BROWNIE'S PRINCIPLES OF PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW, OXFORD 2019</p> <p>R. BIERZANEK, J. SYMONIDES, INTERNATIONAL LAW, WARSAW 2016</p> <p>L. ANTONOWICZ, INTERNATIONAL LAW HANDBOOK, WARSAW 2015</p> <p>M. N. SHAW, INTERNATIONAL LAW, WARSAW 2006</p> <p>J. PIEŃKOS, PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW, ZAKAMYCZE 2004</p> <p>A. ŁAZOWSKI, A. ZAWIDZKA, INTERNATIONAL LAW, WARSAW 2001</p> <p>W. CZAPLIŃSKI, A. WYROZUMSKA, PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW. SYSTEM ISSUES, WARSAW 1999</p> <p>M. SYKULSKA, PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW, Sopot 1997</p> <p>J. GILAS, INTERNATIONAL LAW, TORUŃ 1996</p>
Complementary literature:	<p>A. Przyborowska - Klimczak, Public International Law. Selection of documents, Lublin 2008</p> <p>B. Wierzbicki (Red), International Law. Materials for studies, Białystok 2008</p> <p>J. Menkes, A. Wasilkowski, International organizations. Institutional law, Warsaw 2006</p> <p>M. Frankowska, Law of Treaties, Warsaw 1997</p>

	<p>K. Kocot, K. Wolfke, Selection of documents for learning international law, Wrocław -Warsaw 1976 of Documents for the Study of International Law, Wrocław-Warszawa 1976</p> <p>Monographs and articles related to the topic of the dissertation</p>
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*(1 ECTS CREDIT CORRESPONDS TO 25 - 30 HOURS OF THE TOTAL WORKLOAD OF A DOCTORAL STUDENT, NEEDED TO ACHIEVE THE ESTABLISHED EFFECTS).

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Date and signature of the Course lecturer

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Approved by the Head of the Department or an authorised person