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30502 - International public law

Syllabus Information

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Degree: 432 - Joint Law - Business Administration and Management Programme

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Module:

1. General information

2. Learning goals

3. Assessment (1st and 2nd call)

4. Methodology, learning tasks, syllabus and resources

4.1. Methodological overview

The methodology followed in this course is oriented towards the achievement of the learning objectives. Bearing in mind that the student should learn not only theoretical knowledge, but also how to apply it in the resolution of practical cases, the present methodology will take into account both dimensions. Therefore, the professors will use both the traditional method of the lecture but also other methodologies like the resolution of practical cases in a large group or in smaller working groups, the individual research papers, oral presentations in class, reading and analysis of books, simulations, moot courts, etc. Each professor let his/her group the concrete details of the methodology used.

The methodology will respond to the need for the student to become familiar with the international reality relevant to public international law, to learn the basic material assumptions for the resolution of international legal problems, to acquire the skills for the search for international information and manage basic research techniques, learn legal argumentation techniques and hold collective discussions in international legal language.

4.2. Learning tasks

1: Theoretical classes: they are based on the explanations of the professor through lectures. Classroom materials will be available via Moodle. These may include a repository of the lecture notes used in class, the course syllabus, as well as other course-specific learning materials.

2: Practical classes: its structure will be determined by each professor with his/her group, but students will have the practical case to deal with prior to the class. They should prepare it using international legal texts and other documents that the professor indicates in each case. Once in class, the students will follow the professor's instructions, which may consist of meeting in small groups to contrast the answers given to each question and appoint a spokesperson to represent the group (although the interventions can be carried out with total freedom on the part of all the students), or to carry out a general debate of the whole group, contrasting the answers and comments with the help of the professor, or the practices can be prepared by reduced voluntary groups that will make an oral presentation of the possible answers to the questions posed. In principle, the cases are based in real ones so that the students can contrast their theoretical knowledge with the reality of the international life.

3: Reading and analysis paper: students should read and analyze a book on international legal issues. Each professor will indicate in particular the book object of this activity and in what way that analysis should be carried out.

4.3. Syllabus

The course will address the following topics:

1. International society and international law.
2. Sources of international law. 2.1. International custom 2.2. International treaties. 2.3. Unilateral acts of the States 2.4. Resolutions of International Organizations
3. Relations between international and national law.
4. Subjects of international law. 4.1. The State: recognition of States and Governments, privileges and immunities of States, succession of States, diplomatic and consular relations. 4.2. International Organizations 4.3. The protection of the individual in international law.
5. Territorial sovereignty. 5.1. The terrestrial territory. 5.2. The international watercourses. 5.3. The marine spaces. 5.4. The air and outer space. The polar spaces.
6. International responsibility.
7. The peaceful settlement of international disputes. 7.1. Non-jurisdictional means. 7.2. Jurisdictional means: international arbitration and international tribunals.
8. The use of force or the threat of the use of force by the State.

4.4. Course planning and important dates

Further information concerning the timetable, classroom, office hours, assessment dates and other details regarding this course will be provided on the first day of class or please refer to the "Facultad de Derecho" website (<https://derecho.unizar.es>).