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FACULTY OF LAW

STUDY PROGRAMME FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

(Master of Arts)

NAME OF THE PROGRAMME:

**INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC LAW
STUDIES**

INTRODUCTION

Faculty of Law	
1. Institution/ Title issuing body	SEE University
2. Academic Institution	SEE University
3. Location of Instruction	SEEU Campus (Tetovo)
4. Programme accredited by	Accreditation Board
5. Final scholarly degree	MA
6. Programme	International Public Law Studies
7. Completion date/revision	September, 2007
8. Student group	2008/2009 Academic Year Generation

9. Programme Objectives

- By the completion of the programme students will acquire knowledge and understanding of all the segments of the International Law such as: human rights, international organizations, United Nations and its bodies, the functioning of the International Law Institutions and its creation, Diplomatic Law, International Criminal Law, Humanitarian Law, essential rules relevant to the key areas of International Law, theoretical perspectives and academic debates that essentially emphasize the legal fields, key aspects, political issues and principles related to the ratification of certain international conventions within the member states.
Upon programme completion the student will be able:
- To successfully apply the knowledge acquired in the International Law in the numerous situations that examine relevant practical and theoretical problems.
- To assess problems considering their context, relevance and importance and relate the relevant information and key sources offered through electronic or other means.
- To assess problems and find solutions related to the implementation of the International Law in the states, to formulate arguments on main issues and controversial areas and present rational reasoning based on relevant materials.
- To recognize potential alternative arguments and counter evidence according to personal opinion and to present them.
- To demonstrate free thought of mind and ability to provide critical challenge that follow the acquired knowledge about individual problems.
- To provide constructive reflection of scientific progress.

SECOND CYCLE OF INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC LAW STUDIES

10. Learning outcomes The second cycle of the programme in International Public Law provides solid knowledge and systematic understanding of the institutional structures, key legal principles and certain contexts of International Law. Acquired knowledge	Lectures/instruction, or teaching methods and assessment strategies used for acquiring and presenting of the outcomes
A. Acquired knowledge and comprehension in: 1. The programme will provide students with opportunities to acquire skills for dealing with legal issues related to the ratification of International Legal Tools and will encourage students to develop critical awareness about the functioning of the United Nations and other International Organizations. 2. The programme is structured in order to develop the skills from the legal academic research field, especially through written presentation of the arguments in a manner that integrates the relevant academic rules and help those students who consider continuing their academic research at a higher level in the acquisition of good basis in terms of the required techniques and research methods which are part of the specialized courses. 3. This programme will provide valuable postgraduate qualifications to the students aiming for leading roles in the process of integration of our country in the world movements and valuable communication skills for students interested in employment upon the completion of the studies in the sectors of external policy and international Organizations.	Lectures/ instruction Lectures will be in form of three-hour seminars held every second week. At the beginning of the lecture, the instructor will expose the general context of the Course and the key issues and will identify the areas to be discussed in future. This introduction will be Available for the students in the suggested literature, and aims to focus the seminars on detailed discussion of certain topics, usually based on student presentations and essays and introduction to discussions on the critical issues. The presentations require students to form personal point of view in the particular field and develop discussion with the instructor and colleagues. Assessment The assessment of the knowledge acquired in the courses is a combination of written examinations (mid-term and final exam), 4000- 5000-word essays that need to be submitted for every taken course, the mid-term and final exam. The second part of the programme requires students to research, write and submit a dissertation of 15000- 20000 words, on a previously chosen topic from the International Law field, supervised by a member of the academic staff experienced in that field.

B. Skills and other features Abilities for intellectual skills transfer	Lectures/instruction
Upon successful completion of the programme students will be able:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To acquire skills for dealing with legal issues related to the ratification of International Legal Tools and develop critical awareness about the functioning of the United Nations and other International Organizations.2. To develop critical awareness about the functioning of the Public Law institutions.3. To further continue their career in the field of International Law and Diplomacy.	

C. Application of Specific Skills	Lectures/Instruction
<p>Application and solving of a legal case. Upon successful completion of the programme students will:</p> <p>a) To develop their research skills through research and dissertation preparation. The observation during the dissertation preparation provides students with individual progressive reasoning.</p> <p>b) be encouraged to develop higher degree of sophistication through their dissertations, which also provides the possibility student's individual skills to surface in the written Masters Thesis.</p> <p>c) To identify cases based on prior legal experience.</p> <p>d) To provide causal reasoning and be well-informed about the possible legal actions that derive from that reasoning, as well as opportunities for success.</p>	<p><i>The skill of legal problem solving is mainly developed through preparation and participation in classes of this programme, and facultative participation in the contest programme as well as work in the above-mentioned case study programme.</i></p> <p>On the seminars led in English by the international staff students are closely introduced to instructional And legal methods approved by West- European and American Universities.</p> <p>Assessment The issue on the exact course in the written exam and course evaluation including in-class tests and evaluated performance on the contest.</p>

Resources, research and Assessment	Lectures/ instruction
<p>Upon successful completion of the programme students will be able:</p> <p>a) To further continue their career in the field of International Public Law at both an academic and practical level.</p> <p>b) To identify legal issues and other related issues that require research.</p> <p>c) To use the primary and secondary sources in an efficient manner.</p> <p>d) To conduct independent legal research, by using a range of sources.</p> <p>e) To evaluate the field of International Law in a critical manner, both from the doctrine aspect and social- economical aspect.</p> <p>f) be encouraged to develop higher degree of sophistication through their dissertations, which also provides the possibility student's individual skills to surface in the written Masters Thesis.</p>	<p>Assessment</p> <p>Course evaluation and dissertations.</p>

D. Main skills:	
<p>Communication and literacy.</p> <p>Upon successful completion of the programme students will be able:</p> <p>a) To acquire valuable communication skills, especially students interested in employment upon completion of the studies in the field of International Law and Diplomacy.</p> <p>b) To use, both in oral and written form, Albanian, Macedonian and English in relation to issues from the field of International Public Law.</p> <p>c) To engage in an efficient and constructive manner in evidence and discussions of complex issues in Macedonian, Albanian and English.</p> <p>d) To provide clear and coherent presentation on a topic or task, appropriately using the versatile resources.</p> <p>e) To read complex materials related or not related to the field of International Public Law.</p>	<p>Lectures/Instruction</p> <p>Seminar papers, in-class presentations, discussions. Preparation, writing and reflection on course evaluation, including dissertations.</p> <p>Assessment</p> <p>Evaluation of the written course, course presentations and the realized evaluated practice. Written and oral exams.</p>
<p>11. Study programme structure, admission requirements, levels, modules, credits and awards</p> <p>Postgraduate studies in the field of International Public Law are with a duration of two (2) years, that is three (3) semesters consisting of five (5) courses and one (1) semester for the Masters Thesis. The semester courses are obligatory, whereas the other courses are elective.</p> <p>From every taken course that is successfully completed the student is given six (6) credits, whereas the Masters Thesis is worth thirty (30) credits. This implies that for successful completion of the postgraduate studies a hundred and twenty (120) credits are required. Every course needs to be completed by following the requirements set with the course syllabus.</p>	

SECOND CYCLE OF INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC LAW STUDIES

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Semester 1	Credits	W/S	Lectures:	Tutorials:	Overall classes:	Group size
English Language	6	W	22	22	180	
Law Methodology	6	W	22	22	180	
International Public Law 1	6	W	22	22	180	
International Relations 1	6	W	22	22	180	
Elective	6	W	22	22	180	
Total	30				900	

Semester 2	Credits	W/S	Lectures:	Tutorials:	Overall classes:	Group size
International Public Law 2	6	S	22	22	180	
Humanitarian Law	6	S	22	22	180	
International Relations 2	6	S	22	22	180	
Human Rights International Law	6	S	22	22	180	
Elective	6	S	22	22	180	
Total	30				900	

Semester 3	Credits	W/S	Lectures:	Tutorials:	Overall classes:	Group size
Diplomatic Law	6	W	22	22	180	
International Private Law	6	W	22	22	180	
International Criminal Law	6	W	22	22	180	
International Trade Law	6	W	22	22	180	
Elective	6	W	22	22	180	
Total	30				900	

Semester 4	Credits	W/S	Lectures:	Tutorials:	Overall classes:	Group size
Masters Thesis Writing	30	S			900	
Total	30				900	

Elective Courses:

- Trafficking in Persons and Human Rights
- International Arbitrage
- Environmental International Law

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- Maritime Law
 - International Organizations
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OBLIGATORY COURSES DESCRIPTION

SEMESTER 1

Law Methodology

The course in Law Methodology studies the methods of perceiving the Law and its types, as well as methods of creating, interpreting and applying the Law, which are necessary for the research process in all legal fields and at all levels of academic education.

International Public Law 1 and 2

The course in International Public Law studies the International Law, by starting with its creation in historical frames and its development until today. The course analyzes the political currents within world frames and their influence on the development of the International Law. It also distinguishes the separate areas of the International Law such as the sources of International Law, Human Rights, Contractual and Convention Law, Naval Law, Diplomatic Law etc.

International Relations

The course in International Relations studies the governments in the world, that is their decisions with reference to other governments. These decisions largely depend on the countries themselves, as well as the other participants, such as: international organizations, multinational companies, lobby groups, terrorist organizations and physical persons. There is also large influence from the history and geography, as well as other additional factors. International Security is traditional content of study for this course.

SEMESTER 2

Humanitarian Law

The course in Humanitarian Law studies the International Humanitarian Law, that is the law which is in force during war and refers to the protection of war criminals, civilian population and historical and medical objects. The course studies Geneva Conventions, with their protocols and new developmental currents of implementation of these rules through the International Tribunes.

Human Rights International Law

This course analyzes the International Human Rights Law, its emergence and growth throughout the world until today. The course includes the greatest and most important international tools in this field such as: European Human Rights Convention, International Convention on Political and Civil Rights Protection, International Convention on Economic and Social Rights Protection, and Convention on the protection of women against any act of discrimination. The course also examines the mechanisms of implementation of these international tools.

SEMESTER 3

Diplomatic Law

This course studies the legal frame of the international relations at an international level. Namely, after the analysis of the historical development of these relations and the development of legal rules for their regulation at an international level, the course focuses on examining the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations and its implementation in practice, stating numerous examples from the International Diplomacy.

Private International Law

The Private International Law as a legal branch of the positive legal system of a certain state regulates the private legal relations with a foreign element and predicts the modes of its regulation. It studies the national and international sources of regulating the relations, as well as the hierarchy of the sources in terms of priority of their implementation for regulating the relations which through the subject of object or the rights and obligations are related to the sovereignty of the foreign countries. This course also provides content knowledge about the units that constitute this branch of the Law, such as: the unit on the civil rights of foreign citizens to build private- legal relations with a foreign element on the territory of the home country; the unit on the civil rights of domestic citizens to build private-legal relations with a foreign element; the unit on collision of jurisdictions, as well as law collision.

International Criminal Law

This course examines the evolution of the International Criminal Law from Nurnberg to Tokyo until the development of International Tribunes in Rwanda and Yugoslavia and the foundation of the permanent International Criminal Court Hague (the Roman Statute 1998). The course analyzes transnational trials such as Pinochet trial, and its aim is to provide detail information on some of the fundamental doctrines of International legal responsibility and procedural models used in these court cases. Attention will be given to the concepts such as: genocide, criminal acts against humanity and war crimes.

International Trade Law

International Trade Law studies the international institutions which create the rules of International Trade, relations between the countries and policies created for trade between borders. The analysis of World Trade Organization, policies of the World Bank etc have the central position.

ELECTIVE COURSES DESCRIPTION

Trafficking in Persons and Human Rights

This course examines the development of this world problem and its currency at an international and national level. After brief analysis of the historical development of this issue, the course examines the modern international tools at an international and national level for regulating this issue, thus emphasizing its link with the criminal- legal relations within the society, and finally analyzing the current legal regulations offered by our criminal legislature for fight against this type of crime.

International Arbitrage

The course analyzes the problems in the International Trade and economic relations of international nature and their solving at an international level, through international arbitrary courts.

Environmental International Law

The course examines the Environmental International Law and its development. As a new discipline this science offers a limited number of international legally bounding contracts and larger number of declarations which are examined as a part of this course.

Maritime Law

This course studies the development of this part of the International Law which is among the oldest and most developed fields. The course analyzes the custom rules of the Maritime Law and the International Conventions which regulate separate areas of this law.

International Organizations

This course analyzes the interaction between the international organizations and state governments, as well as the organizing and functioning of the international organizations, among which is the one which is most responsible for the world peace and order- the United Nations.