

UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS - VARNA
MASTER DEGREE CENTER
DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL STUDIES

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Dean:

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SYLLABUS

SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS LAW

DEGREE PROGRAMME: INTERCULTURAL BUSINESS; MASTER`S DEGREE

YEAR OF STUDY: 5; SEMESTER: 9

TOTAL STUDENT WORKLOAD: 120 hours; incl. curricular 30 hours

CREDITS: 4

DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENT WORKLOAD ACCORDING TO THE CURRICULUM

<i>TYPE OF STUDY HOURS</i>	WORKLOAD, hours	TEACHING HOURS PER WEEK, hours
CURRICULAR: incl.		
● LECTURES	30	2
● SEMINARS / LAB. EXERCISES	0	0
EXTRACURRICULAR	90	-

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I. ANNOTATION

Course goals:

Providing students with knowledge about functioning legal institutions in an international environment and multicultural. Equipping students with knowledge on how to build legal relationships with partners operating in intercultural environment. Equipping students with advanced knowledge about communication techniques in the field law in the international environment, both with external partners and inside the organization students in the ability to apply the law and conclude international contracts with stakeholders from different cultures. Equipping students with the ability to cope with various legal solutions. Equipping students in skills that enable them to take up work abroad in both the short and long term. Equipping students in the ability to prepare speeches in English related to the conclusion of contracts international. Equipping students with the skills to work in international corporations using law. The aim of the course is to equip students with competences to learn the basic concepts of scope of law in international trade

Knowledge:

Mastery of the concepts, theories, processes and characteristics of international law on the micro and macro levels of organisation of the economy, knowledge of the main legal facts.

Ability:

Ability to identify specialised professional problems using a multifaceted, interdisciplinary approach and to explore and formulate the detailed theoretical and practical background necessary to solve them.

Attitude:

Credibly communicates the summary and detailed problem areas of their profession.

Autonomy and responsibility:

Independently selects and applies relevant problem-solving methods in areas of legal analysis, decision preparation and advisory tasks.

Course content, topics:

International business law, consumer law, compliance, international contracts

Learning methods:

Lectures, discussion, case solving.

The main competencies involved in the Design Thinking course are:

- *Personal, social and learning to learn competence (5).*
- *Citizenship competence (6).*
- *Cultural awareness and expression competence (8).*

II. THEMATIC CONTENT

№	TITLE OF TOPIC AND SUBTOPICS	NUMBER OF HOURS ¹		
		L	S	L.E.
	Theme 1. BUSINESS LAW VOCABULARY	2		
1.1.	Definitions what is law and where we can find it?			
1.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			
	Theme 2.COMPARATIVE LAW AND LEGAL SYSTEM	3		
2.1.	The purpose of comparative law			
2.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			
	Theme 3: INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND CONSTITUTIONS	3		
3.1.	The common market, UN, NAFTA, MERCOSUR,			
3.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			

¹ L – lectures; S – seminars; L.E. – laboratory exercises

Theme 4: THE EU LAW		3		
4.1.	The free trade, general principles			
4.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			
Theme 5: CONTRACT LAW		2		
5.1.	The forming contract, forms, international conventions,			
5.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			
Theme 6: LIABILITY LAW		2		
6.1.	Contractual and non-contractual liability			
6.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			
Theme 7: LABOUR LAW		3		
7.1.	International labour law, proper labour conditions			
7.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			
Theme 8: COMPANY LAW		3		
8.1.	The legal form of a company			
8.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			
Theme 9: THE RIGHT TO PRIVACY AND DATA PROCESSING		2		
9.1.	Privacy, AI, jurisdiction challenges			
9.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			
Theme 10: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY		2		
10.1.	Copyrights, patents, industrial design, geographical indicators, trademarks, trade secrets			
10.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			
Theme 11: PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW		2		
11.1.	Legal dispute, the free choice principle			
11.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			
Theme 12: M&A AND COMPETITION LAW ON THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET		3		
12.1.	The different transactions, cartels, dominant position – legal aspects			
12.2.	Review, exercises, case studies			
		Total:	30	

III. FORMS OF CONTROL:

№	TYPE AND FORM OF CONTROL	Number	extracurricular, hours
1.	Midterm control		
1.1.	Class activity	1	10
1.2.	Case study solving + presentations preparing	2	40
Total midterm control:		3	50
2.	Final term control		
2.1.	Examination (test)	1	40
Total final term control:		1	40
Total for all types of control:		4	90

IV. LITERATURE

REQUIRED (BASIC) LITERATURE:

1. International Business Law Course Materials available at <https://e-learn.ue-varna.bg>.
2. Wernaat, B. (2021). International Law and Business: A Global Introduction. Routledge.

RECOMMENDED (ADDITIONAL) LITERATURE:

1. Mercurio, B. (2010). International business law. Melbourne: Oxford University Press.
2. Schaffer, R. (2022). International Business Law and Its Environment. [S.L.]: Cengage Learning.
3. Schmitthoff, C. (2020). International Business Law: A New Law Merchant. In R. MacDonald (Ed.), Current Law and Social Problems, II (pp. 129-153). Toronto: University of Toronto Press. <https://doi.org/10.3138/9781487575892-004>.
4. Wevers, H. (2021). A basic guide to international business law. [S.l.]: Routledge.