

Identification	Subject (code, title, credits)	PSIR304: / International Public Law 3KU / 6 ECTS credits 15 Weeks, 60 hours
	Department	Political Science and International Relations
	Level	Undergraduate
	Term	Fall, 2017
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Prerequisites		
Language	English	
Compulsory/Elective		
Required textbooks and course materials	<p>Core readings:</p> <hr/> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “International Law”, Malcolm N.Shaw Seventh Edition, 2014 2. “Principles of Public International Law”, Ian Brownlie Sixth Edition, 2003 3. “The new terrain of international law”, Karen J. Alter, 2014 4. “Cases and materials on international law”, Martin Dixon, Robert McCorquodale & Sara Williams, Fifth Edition 2011 <p>Supplementary textbooks:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “Basic documents in International Law”, Ian Brownlie Sixth Edition, 2009 2. “Introduction to the International Human Rights Regime”, Manfred Nowak, 2004 3. “Compilation of Human Rights Instruments”, Goran Melander and Gudmundur Alfredsson, 2012 4. National Legislation 5. www.un.org 6. www.coe.int 7. www.eu.org 8. www.osce.org 	
Course outline	<p>This subject is designed to enable students to critically analyse the principles of public international law and to understand the way in which these principles may be used in the practice of law. The subject will build on the understanding of international law acquired in Principles of Public Law and enable students to engage deeply with international law in the context of contemporary international events. Students are encouraged to evaluate multiple perspectives – of states, of individuals and of other actors – in order to acquire an expert</p>	

	<p>understanding of the impact of public international law on public and private activities. The topics addressed in the course will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing International Law; • International Legal Personality – the role of states, international organisations and individuals in international law; • The Application of Treaties; • Jurisdiction and Immunity from Jurisdiction; • The Responsibility of States and Other Actors for Breaches of International Law; • The Use of Force and the Powers of the Security Council of the United Nations; • Judicial and Non-Judicial Methods of International Dispute Resolution. <p>The aim is to acquire an historically-situated understanding of international law and the choices made and not made by international lawyers in the context of current international disputes.</p>
Course objectives	<p>The aim of the course is to teach you the basic features of public international law and the international legal order and the meaning of public international law for legal practice. This course provides student with a sufficient basis to participate more specialized courses in public international law</p>
Learning outcomes	<p>On completion of this subject, students should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have developed an advanced understanding of the development and structure of the international legal system and the theoretical bases for public international law; • Have developed an advanced and integrated understanding of the principles of public international law; • Be able to reflect critically on the role of states, international organisations and individuals in international law; • Have the capacity to apply international law principles to complex international events, including events involving territorial disputes, jurisdictional disputes and the use of force by states and other international actors; • Be able to think creatively about the type of arguments that may be raised in international legal disputes in fora such as the International Court of Justice.

Evaluation	Methods	Date/deadlines	Percentage (%)
	Midterm evaluation	To be determined by the Dean's Office	35
	Class attendance		10
	Case-study essay and PowerPoint presentation		10
	Activity		10
	Final exam	To be determined by the Dean's Office	35
Total		100	
Policy	<p>You are expected to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - attend classes on a regular basis as the classes are conducted in a combined lecture/seminar format where students should <u>play an active part</u>. - read the assigned and suggested readings before you come to class - engage actively in classroom discussions - offer thoughtful and informed classroom presentations and written work - submit all your assignments on time - follow assignments closely and carefully. <p>Class attendance: Students are required to comply with the attendance policy of Khazar University. Full-time students are expected to attend all classes unless they are sick or have the permission of the instructor (<i>approved absence</i>). A student must submit an absence request in anticipation of an absence from the course. In case he/she fails to do so, his absence will be considered unapproved. Specifically, to be eligible for taking exams, students must not miss more than 20% of class hours (<i>unapproved absences</i>). Otherwise, the student can take the exam only with the approval of the School Dean. Continuing unapproved absences or lack of participation may lead to withdrawal from the course.</p> <p>Academic misconduct Academic honesty plays an essential part in maintaining the integrity of Khazar University. Students are expected to recognize and uphold high standards of intellectual and academic integrity. The following acts are examples of academic dishonesty, therefore are strictly forbidden and will, if proven, be penalized:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - plagiarism, - cheating, - unauthorized collaboration, - falsification, - multiple submissions. <p><i>On plagiarism:</i> Plagiarism is unethical and an <u>offence</u> under the University regulations. Please familiarize yourself with the regulations relating to plagiarism and cheating in examinations. Plagiarism is copying other people's work without <u>proper</u> attribution. The students committing plagiarism and the students providing materials for plagiarizing will automatically receive a zero (0) for the assignment. Students must always indicate that they used someone else's words and ideas if they have done so, by using quotation marks and mentioning the source in the text or a footnote. A bibliography must also follow after the end of your essays.</p> <p>Rules of Professional Conduct</p>		

	The students shall behave in the way to create favorable academic and professional environment during the class hours. Unauthorized discussions and unethical behavior are strictly prohibited. Classroom behavior that seriously interferes with either (a) the instructor's ability to conduct the class or (b) the ability of other students to benefit from the course program will not be tolerated. When a student's behavior in a class is so seriously disruptive as to compel immediate action, the instructor has the authority to remove a student from the class on an interim basis, pending an informal hearing on the behavior.
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Tentative Schedule		
Date/Day (subject to change if necessary on holidays)	Topics	Readings
Week 1 15/09/2017	The Nature of the International Legal System	
Week 2 22/09/2017	The Sources of International Law	
Week 3 29/09/2017	The Law of Treaties	
Week 4 06/10/2017	International Law and National Law	
Week 5 13/10/2017	Personality and Recognition	
Week 6 20/10/2017	International Human Rights Law	
Week 7 27/10/2017	Sovereignty over Territory	
	Midterm Exam	
Week 8 03/11/2017	Jurisdictional Sovereignty	
Week 9 10/11/2017	Immunities from National Jurisdiction	
Week 10 17/11/2017	Law of the Sea	
Week 11 24/11/2017	State Responsibility	
Week 12 01/12/2017	International Environmental Law	
Week 13 08/12/2017	International Economic Law	

Week 14 15/12/2017	International Criminal Law	
Week 15 22/12/2017	The Use of Force, Collective Security and Peacekeeping	
Week 16 29/12/2017	Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes	
	Final exam	

Additional readings and assignments will be provided by the instructor for this course.
If necessary, some minor modifications may be made to this syllabus by the instructor.