

International Law

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Course aims

➤ Knowledge and understanding skills

The course aims to introduce students to the structure and essential characteristics of the international community by identifying its actors and sources, the relationship between domestic and international law, and the system of guarantees within the international legal system, while assessing their scope and effectiveness.

The analysis of concrete cases—including those related to current issues—will allow students to verify the application of abstract norms and reflect on the evolution of cooperation models among subjects of international law.

➤ Ability to apply knowledge and understanding

The student should be able to:

- understand and critically evaluate the role of international organizations and states, as well as the impact of international rules on the interests of private individuals (objective: independent judgment);
- navigate international legal materials in relation to national and European Union sources, and also consult databases containing legislative and case law documents, with an understanding of the structure and legal effectiveness of the various sources (objective: learning ability);
- understand and use the vocabulary specific to international law (objective: communication skills).

Course contents

- Introduction to the study of international law: methodological aspects;
 - subjects of international law;
 - sources of international law;
 - treaty law;
 - the adaptation of domestic law to international law;
 - the resolution of international disputes and the instruments for ascertaining the law;
international protection of human rights;
 - the treatment of foreign natural and legal persons;
 - tort and international liability;
 - the prohibition of the use of force and the collective security system;
 - an overview of maritime law;
 - an overview of European Union law;

- analysis of the structure and content of the relevant legal texts, with appropriate references and jurisprudential insights (of an international nature, as well as pertaining to the legal systems of the European Union and the national framework), along with discussion of practical cases, including current ones.

Exam

- Oral

Bibliography

- Attending students:

lecture notes; teaching materials relating to regulatory and jurisprudential sources made available to students in electronic format (only the portions discussed during lectures in class); chapters of the reference text (indicated below) which will be specified during the lectures.

- Non-attending students:

the entire reference text (indicated below)

- Reference text:

RONZITTI Natalino, *Diritto internazionale*, Torino, G. Giappichelli Editore, 2023, Seventh edition (or the latest available edition)

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