

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

<b>University:</b> Comenius University in Bratislava	
<b>Faculty:</b> Faculty of Law	
<b>Course ID:</b> PraF.KMPMV/ EnM17-3001/17	<b>Course title:</b> Public International Law 1
<b>Educational activities:</b> <b>Type of activities:</b> lecture / seminar <b>Number of hours:</b> <b>per week:</b> 1 / 2 <b>per level/semester:</b> 14 / 28 <b>Form of the course:</b> on-site learning	
<b>Number of credits:</b> 5	
<b>Recommended semester:</b> 1.	
<b>Educational level:</b> II.	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	
<b>Course requirements:</b> Interim evaluation: 40 percent (based on an active participation, i.e. participation at the discussions during lectures and seminars up to 10 percent and two written assignments (15 percent each) Final evaluation: 60 percent (written examination – elaboration of a case study and / or discussion) Classification: A/1 = 91 – 100 percent B/1,5 = 81 – 90 percent; C/2 = 73 – 80 percent; D/2,5 = 66 – 72 percent; E/3 = 61 – 65 percent; FX = 0 – 60 percent Open book examination: allowed usage of all available sources of legal information, especially non-commented legislation (treaties, agreements, statutes, documents, decisions), commentaries, jurisprudence, legal literature and legal information systems (e.g. treaty databases)	
<b>Learning outcomes:</b> The aim of the course is to familiarize students with basic concepts and principles of public international law and its interaction with domestic law and with international integration.	
<b>Class syllabus:</b> 1. Introduction to international law, historical overview, basic terms, UN 2. Relationship between international law and domestic law 3. Sources of international law I (categories, evolution, codification) 4. Sources of international law II (interrelationship, hierarchy, problems in application) 5. Norms and principles of international law; codification 6. Subjects of international law (States) 7. Other subjects of international law: nations, insurgence movements, international organizations, non-state actors, individuals 8. Settlement of disputes 9. Responsibility I (concept, forms, content, legal consequences) 10. Responsibility II (invocation, nationality of claims, counter-measures, circumstances precluding wrongfulness) 11. Enforcement in international law 12. Use of force in international law, self-defense 13. Repetition 14. Evaluation	

**Recommended literature:**

Malcolm N. Shaw.: International Law. 6th edition. Cambridge University Press, 2008  
Malcolm D. Evans: International Law, 3th edition. Oxford University Press, New York, 2010  
Ian Brownlie: principles of Public International law, 7th ed. Oxford University Press, 2008  
Antonio Cassese: International Law, 2nd edition, Oxford university press, 2005  
David J. Harris: Cases and Materials on International Law, 7th ed., Sweet and Maxwell, London, 2010  
Public International Law I Reader  
International instruments, documents, decisions, etc.  
[www.un.org](http://www.un.org)  
<http://treaties.un.org>  
[www.icj-cij.org](http://www.icj-cij.org)  
[www.pca-cpa.org](http://www.pca-cpa.org)  
<http://www.un.org/law/ilc/>

**Languages necessary to complete the course:**

English

**Notes:****Past grade distribution**

Total number of evaluated students: 4

A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX
0,0	0,0	0,0	100,0	0,0	0,0	0,0

**Lecturers:** JUDr. Daniel Bednár, PhD., JUDr. Metod Špaček, PhD., doc. JUDr. Peter Vršanský, CSc., JUDr. Jozef Valuch, PhD.

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**Approved by:**