



Online Course Title	Introduction to International Economic Law
Category	Law and Economics
Online Course Period	November 30th – December 18th 2020
Course Structure	<p>The course content is equivalent to an on-site course offering 45 contact hours.</p> <p>The study time includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • virtual class room lessons with the lecturer and the fellow students (30%) • group exercises (10%) • assignments and self-study (60%) <p>Weekly schedule of virtual class room lessons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course days: Monday and Wednesday • 10.00 am – 12.00 pm (Berlin time, UTC+1) • 17.00 pm – 19.00 pm (Beijing time, UTC+8) • 20.00 pm – 22.00 pm (Sydney time, UTC+11) • 03.00 am – 05.00 am (Chicago time, UTC-6)
Technical Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fully functional device (laptop, tablet, PC or smart phone) • Stable internet connection • Software: Zoom (video/audio), Moodle (e-learning platform) <p>Recommended hardware: external headset for better sound quality</p>
Course Level & Target Group	Advanced undergraduate law students and students with an academic background that qualifies them to participate in the course.
Course Language	This course is taught in English, including readings in English. For the understanding of the texts and the discussions in class a language level B2 (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) is required.
ECTS	5 ECTS
Instructor	Mr. Hanno Meyer

Course Description

Multinational companies like Google or Apple self-evidently act on a global stage. But even small businesses participate in international trade today. The integration of national economies and the elimination of barriers of trade no longer allow a solely national view on this development. With the growing importance of international commerce, the need for an „International Economic Law“ arises. Numerous regulations and agreements concern international trade and investment, but the legal framework of international economy remains indefinite.

In this course common principles of International Economic Law will be examined by analysing leading decisions by international courts.

Course Schedule

The course schedule will be announced after applications are closed in order to match the students different time zones.

Course structure:

PART 1.: FOUNDATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW

1. International Economic Relations
2. International Economic Order
3. Sources of International Economic Law
4. Institutions of International Economic Law

PART 2.: INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INVESTMENT

1. The GATT/WTO System
2. International Investment Law
3. International Arbitration
4. International Monetary Law

Course Objective & Learning Outcomes

The course objective is to provide students with both a theoretical and practical understanding of the core branches of international economic law, including their underpinning institutional frameworks, as well as a critical understanding of the contemporary challenges facing this dynamic field.

Readings

Reading materials will be available via Moodle during the course.

Assignments

In order to be granted 5 ECTS, participants will be asked to actively attend all sessions (you may not miss more than one synchronous session), and to hand in weekly assignments as well as an academic, five-page paper on the topic.

Submission deadline: last course day.

Assessment Components

The final grade will be composed of weekly assignments and active participation in class (60%) and the final academic paper (40%).

Expectations & Policies

Preparation for lively discussions in the virtual classroom: be on time, have at least the required readings completed and points in mind for discussion or clarification.

Group exercises, assignments, and self-study: complete all tasks according to the specified requirements on schedule including handing over to the lecturer.

Commitment in online-class: pay particular attention to the lecturer and respect differences of opinions (classmates', lecturers).

Academic guidelines: Comply with academic integrity policies (such as no plagiarism or cheating, nothing unethical) especially the academic honour code and the student code of conduct (see *FAQs* on www.huwisu.de).

Attendance policy: No unexcused absences are permitted. Students must contact their class lecturer to catch up on missed work – to excuse absence please contact the HUWISU office.

Your Instructor

Hanno Meyer is a research assistant at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, faculty of law. He is also a PhD candidate of Energy Law at the EWeRK institute, Berlin. His research focus is on International Economic Law, Energy Law, Economic Regulation, International Investment Protection and Competition Law.

Please note that the course and its syllabus are subject to change. Last update: September 2020