

- Selected topical issues

Initial competences

Having basic knowledge of public international law

Final competences

- 1 Understanding the legal regime of the law of the sea and how it is implemented
- 2 Having knowledge of the international legal rules regulating the oceans and seas
- 3 Applying the rules and principles of the law of the sea to actual cases
- 4 Critically assessing topical issues and new developments within the law of the sea
- 5 Developing a personal opinion on topical issues and new developments within the law of the sea
- 6 Presenting and discussing topical issues and new developments within the law of the sea

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in 'Starting Competences'

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Group work, Lecture, Peer teaching

Extra information on the teaching methods

- Lecture: during the classes, students are stimulated to ask questions and to participate actively.
- Group work: students have to prepare a presentation, supported by a one-pager and bibliography, on a topical issue related to the law of the sea in small groups.
- Peer teaching: students present the topic to their peers during class, followed by a group discussion.

Study material

Type: Slides

Name: Slides Law of the Sea

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no

Language : English

Number of Slides : 232

Available on Ufora : Yes

Additional information: Slides contain the study material and serve as syllabus

Type: Reader

Name: UN Convention on the Law of the Sea

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no

Language : English

Available on Ufora : Yes

Additional information: A printed version of the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea (provided through Ufora) may be used during the exam

References

- Tanaka, Y., *The International Law of the Sea*, Cambridge University Press, 2023, 650 p.
- Rothwell, D.R., Oude Elferink, A.G., Scott, K.N. & Stephens, T. (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of the Law of the Sea*, Oxford University Press, 2015, 850 p.
- Attard, J.D. (ed.), *The IMLI Manual on International Maritime Law - Vol. I. The Law of the Sea*, Oxford University Press, 2014, 723 p.
- Churchill, R., Lowe, V. & Sander, A. (eds.), *The Law of the Sea*, Manchester University Press, 2022, 968 p.

Course content-related study coaching

- Students can contact the lecturer or assistant through e-mail if they have questions or require additional explanation.
- Instructions on the presentation and supporting documents, as well as a list of

suggested topics, are provided on Ufora.

- Information regarding the exam (including an explanation of the types of questions and a number of examples) is provided during class.

Assessment moments

end-of-term and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Written assessment with open-ended questions

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Written assessment with open-ended questions

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Presentation, Assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

examination during the second examination period is possible

Extra information on the examination methods

- Written exam: evaluation on the basis of a variety of open questions to assess knowledge and insight.
- Assignment: evaluation of the one-pager and bibliography in terms of insight, critical input, structure, citation, style and formalities.
- Presentation: evaluation of the presentation in terms of insight and analysis, structure, presentation skills and personal opinion.

Retake possibility assignment and presentation: students can redraft the one-pager or submit a new one, followed by a presentation before the lecturer and assistant.

Calculation of the examination mark

- Written exam: 50%
- Assignment and presentation: 50%

Facilities for Working Students

In accordance with Education and Examination Code