



Law Department

Modulhandbuch zum postgradualen Studiengang

Europäisches und Internationales Recht / European and International Law (LL.M.)

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Basic Phase

Basic Phase (Module 1)							
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)						
Course	Intro Lectures, Internal Market, Economic Law, Trade + Investment						
Lecturer	Bungenberg, von Brocke, Kunz, etc.						
Frequency	Annually						
Duration of Course	1 Term						
Curriculum	Obligatory Course						
Credit Points	3						
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Assessment	Exam						
Course type	Lecture						
Summary	The course provides a comprehensive introduction to the different field of European and International Law.						
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.						

Basic Phase (Module 1)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	European Law and European Integration
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Robin van der Hout, LL.M. Partner, Kapellmann und Partner, Rechtsanwälte mbB, Brüssel Prof. Dr. Klaus von Brocke Expert on EU Tax Services
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Obligatory Course
Credit Points	4,5
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 55h Independent Study Time: 80h Total Study Time: 135h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	<p>The lecture aims (Part I)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to give knowledge and a critical understanding of the way in which law is made and enforced in the EU, and of the relationship between EU law and national law. • to provide an appreciation of the different types of Union secondary law, their working and implementation into the national legal order. • to give an overview on EU competition law (cartel law, merger control). • to explain the different levels of European human rights protection on EU level and through the ECHR system. • to provide knowledge and a critical understanding of the various judicial remedies available in the EU legal system, including but not limited to the Article 267 TFEU preliminary ruling procedure, the Article 258 TFEU infringement procedure and the Art 263 TFEU action for annulment. <p>The lecture aims (Part II)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to give a basic understanding about the foundation and development of the European Union, its institutions, the checks and balances and fundamental principles by which it is governed. • to highlight the role of the Court of Justice of the EU by discussing the most fundamental cases which lay down the pillars of a legal European integration. • to give an overview on EU State Aid Law. • to explain the conceptual idea of the Internal Market, its basic freedoms and dynamic character. <p>to provide knowledge and a critical understanding of the various judicial methodologies to apply and interpret European Law.</p>
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Basic Phase (Module 1)									
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)								
Course	Introduction to the Internal Market Law of the EU								
Lecturer	Dr. Patrick Abel, MJur (Oxon) Assistant Professor, University of Passau								
Frequency	Annually								
Duration of Course	1 Term								
Curriculum	Obligatory Course								
Credit Points	2,5								
Work Load (h)	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Course Time:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">30h</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Independent Study Time:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">45h</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="border-top: 1px solid black;">Total Study Time:</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">75h</td> </tr> </table>	Course Time:	30h	Independent Study Time:	45h	Total Study Time:			75h
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Course type	Lecture								
Summary	<p>Internal Market Law forms the backbone of the EU legal system, driving European integration and safeguarding freedoms of opportunities that enhance the daily lives of citizens and companies alike. This includes living and working abroad in another EU Member State, buying products from abroad and establishing business all over the EU.</p> <p>This course examines the legal framework of the European Single Market, considering its historical background, political context and economic rationale. Students will trace the development of the EU economic constitution and engage in an in-depth exploration of the four fundamental freedoms (free movement of goods, services, capital and payments, and labour). The course will analyse harmonisation and mutual recognition in the Single Market. It will also provide an overview of EU competition law, state aid law, and services of general interest. Additionally, it will address EU external trade law and policy. Throughout, students will engage with key jurisprudence from the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU).</p> <p>The course adopts a doctrinal methodology, systematising the relevant legal rules, principles, and case law. This doctrinal analysis will be complemented by critical reflections grounded in economics and political science.</p> <p>Active student participation is encouraged throughout the course. Teaching methods will alternate between lectures, class discussions, and sessions where students collaborate to apply EU Internal Market Law to mock cases. A basic knowledge of the EU legal system and its key features (e.g. internal structure of the EU, hierarchy of norms, direct effect and supremacy of EU law) is required.</p>								

	<p>Learning goals:</p> <p>By the end of the course, students will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- understand the historical development of the EU Single Market and explain its economic background and main legal framework;- analyse the fundamental freedoms, distinguish their functions and scope of application, identifying the most relevant CJEU case law;- apply the fundamental freedoms to real-world and hypothetical cases;- analyse the legal mechanisms of harmonisation and mutual recognition;- understand the main structure of EU competition law and state aid law;- identify the system of EU external trade policy and law;- develop new legal arguments, applying legal reasoning to unfamiliar cases and situations within the context of EU Internal Market Law;- critically assess the existing EU Internal Market Law and propose legal alternatives to existing law.
Miscellaneous	<p>In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.</p>

Basic Phase (Module 1)							
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)						
Course	Academic Life						
Lecturer	Chair of Prof. Giegerich and Bungenberg and others						
Frequency	Annually						
Duration of Course	1 Term						
Curriculum	Obligatory Course						
Credit Points	2						
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Summary	<p>The academic life course is designed to introduce students to various aspects of academic life. The course runs from the beginning of the regular teaching program and consists of different modules, some of which are designed to teach students important academic skills (e.g. academic writing), soft skills (e.g. intercultural and language training), and some useful practical skills (e.g. Word crash course). Depending on the content, different formats and concepts are used for the teaching (mixture of lectures, workshops and online sessions).</p> <p>The focus of the lecture is to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Familiarize the students with the basic understanding of research in library and legal research tools. • Understanding of of Academic Research and Academic Writing, and presentation skills. 						
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.						

Track 1 – European Economic Law – Compliance – Regulation (Module 2)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	Competition Law I (Art. 101, 102 TFEU)
Lecturer	Dr. Manuel Kellerbauer, Maîtrise en droit (Aix-en-Provence) Dr. Gero Meeßen, M. Jur. (Oxford) Members of the Legal Service, European Commission, Brussels
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Obligatory Course
Credit Points	4,5
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 55h Independent Study Time: 80h Total Study Time: 135h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	<p>The purpose of this lecture is to give students a solid understanding of the main principles, rules, and procedures of EU Competition Law.</p> <p>The lecture will start with an outline of the origins of competition law and its economic foundations. Students will also get to know the different schools of thought/approaches to competition law, as well as their impact on the enforcement of competition law in practice.</p> <p>On this basis, a thorough understanding of the two main Treaty provisions on competition law will be developed: Article 101 TFEU, the prohibition of anti-competitive forms of cooperation, and Article 102 TFEU, the prohibition of an abuse of a dominant position. The lecture will also dedicate time to investigatory powers set out in Regulation 1/2003, undertakings' rights of defence, the role of national competition authorities and the private enforcement of EU competition rules in the national courts. In this context, students will get to know the most important competition cases as decided by the European Commission and by the EU Courts.</p>
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 1 – European Economic Law – Compliance – Regulation (Module 2)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	Competition Law II (Merger Control)
Lecturer	Brian Cullen Member of the Legal Service (Competition & Mergers), European Commission
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Obligatory Course
Credit Points	2,5
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 30h Independent Study Time: 45h Total Study Time: 75h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	<p>This lecture offers students the opportunity to acquire comprehensive knowledge of all aspects of merger control law, policy, and practice in Europe. Students will acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to EU merger control: Understand the purpose of merger control, the genesis of the EU Merger Regulation, its core principles, and the European Commission’s soft law instruments to implement and enforce merger control. • Jurisdictional matters: learn about (i) what constitutes a “concentration” for the purposes of the Merger Regulation; (ii) the division of powers between the Commission and national agencies to assess “concentrations” in Europe; and (iii) whether transactions that do not meet the Merger Regulation’s jurisdictional thresholds may nonetheless be examined by the Commission. • Substantive review: become familiar with the substantive assessment of reportable transactions, covering (i) the principles applied to defining product and geographic markets; (ii) the Commission’s approach to calculating and assessing market shares; (iii) the evolution in the Commission’s application of the substantive test; (iv) the assessment of horizontal mergers; (v) the assessment of vertical mergers; (vi) the assessment of conglomerate mergers; (vii) the role of efficiencies and the “failing firm” defense; (viii) the Commission’s approach to remedies. • Procedural matters: understand the procedural steps involved in (i) notifying a merger to the Commission. • Judicial review: understand the steps involved in judicial review of a merger by the EU courts. <p>Students will acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to understand and apply the EU Merger Regulation to individual cases.</p>
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 1 – European Economic Law – Compliance - Regulation (Module 2)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	European Company Law
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Maria Meng-Papantoni Professor of European Business Law, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences, Athens
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Obligatory Course
Credit Points	2
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 24h Independent Study Time: 36h Total Study Time: 60h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	<p>The course aims at familiarizing the students with the legal issues of companies functioning on national and European level to accustom them to the challenges that companies face in an ever more globalized world. Enhancing the knowledge of students in national corporate law by examining the relevant EU corporate legislation and the relevant ECJ case-law, they are provided with an insight into how European companies may move and/or develop within the member states of the EU as well as profit from the many opportunities granted to them by the EU internal market.</p> <p>The lecture focuses on the legal framework of companies in the EU internal market, without insisting on national law categorizations or seminal elaborations.</p> <p>The lecture will also cover key concepts and principles vital for understanding how companies are directed and controlled. The lecture will discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The role of the Board of Directors in company oversight • Executive management's responsibilities and accountability • Shareholder rights and their influence on corporate decisions • The importance of transparency, financial reporting, and risk management • How corporate social responsibility (CSR) and ethical practices shape governance • Current challenges and issues in corporate governance, such as executive compensation and shareholder activism. <p>The lecture will provide valuable insights into how effective governance can drive long-term success and sustainability for organizations.</p>
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 1 – European Economic Law – Compliance - Regulation (Module 2)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	The European Union’s External Relations
Lecturer	Prof. em. Dr. Christoph Vedder Former Chair of Public Law, Public International Law and European Law as well as Sports Law, University of Augsburg
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Specialized Course
Credit Points	2
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 24h Independent Study Time: 36h Total Study Time: 60h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	The course will give an insight into the legal conditions and the reality of the wide-ranging areas of external action conducted by the EU under both EU law and Public International Law, with emphasis on the foreign trade law, since the EU is one of the largest trading partner in world economy. Beyond the conclusion of international agreements by the EU, the lecture will also focus on the Common Foreign and Security Policy with particular emphasis on the objectives set forth for the worldwide action of the EU. The understanding of how the EU acts in the international arena is relevant for students from both EU member states and non-EU countries.
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 1 – European Economic Law – Compliance - Regulation (Module 2)							
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)						
Course	Competition Law III (Art. 106 TFEU and Liberalization)						
Lecturer	Robert Klotz Partner, Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton, Brussels						
Frequency	Annually						
Duration of Course	1 Term						
Curriculum	Specialized Course						
Credit Points	2						
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Summary	<p>The lecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Familiarizes the students with the concept of State monopolies and other forms of public intervention into markets as well as their legality under the TFEU, • Covers the relevant EU law instruments to tackle such distortions of competition, both with EU competition law and secondary EU legislation aimed at undertakings and/or EU Member states, • Helps students to understand the legal, economic and political complexity of market opening (liberalization) and effective competition in network industries, • Enables them to assess market distortions by companies and/or governments with all relevant legal tools available at the EU level. • Develops these topics in three different policy areas: first in the application of Art. 106 TFEU against Member states in individual cases in different network industries, second in the regulated telecommunication sector with sector-specific ex ante obligations for incumbent operators and strict competition law sanctions, and third in the new DMA framework introducing strict ex ante obligations for designated digital gatekeepers, to complement competition law investigations in individual cases. 						
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.						

Track 1 – European Economic Law – Compliance - Regulation (Module 2)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	Intellectual Property Rights I
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Jörg Reinbothe Former Head of Unit, Directorate-General Internal Market and Services, European Commission, Brussels
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Specialized Course
Credit Points	1,5
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 18h Independent Study Time: 27h Total Study Time: 45h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	<p>The course IP I deals with the general and domestic aspects of intellectual property protection. The students should become familiar with the terminology, the origins, the rationale behind, and the elements of intellectual property protection. The course should enable students to distinguish between the main fields of protection, such as copyright, patents, trademarks, models and designs, and know their respective features. They should also develop a good general understanding of the rights and exceptions applicable to the various fields of intellectual property.</p> <p>Students should become aware of the interaction between the protection of intellectual property on the one hand and EU Internal Market and competition rules on the other. They should understand how potential conflicts between these objectives can be and have been solved, and which role the jurisprudence of the CJEU and the harmonization of EU Member States' laws (the <i>acquis communautaire</i>) have played in this context.</p> <p>The follow-up course IP II during the summer term will deal with the international aspects of intellectual property protection (the relevant international conventions; the tasks of WIPO and the WTO/TRIPs Agreement; the international competence of the EU in this respect).</p>
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 1 – European Economic Law – Compliance - Regulation (Module 2)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	European Tax Law
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Klaus von Brocke Partner and Expert on EU Tax Services, Munich
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Specialized Course
Credit Points	1,5
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 18h Independent Study Time: 27h Total Study Time: 45h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Familiarization of students with the application of the EU fundamental freedoms and its impact on national direct tax law, focusing on corporate and individual tax matters, EU and international tax policy as well as fiscal state aid investigations. 2. Gaining the ability to detect how domestic tax law is subject to Union law (implementation of directives, following up with recommendations and decisions, transposing CJEU principles) 3. Learning effective remedies against discriminating national legislation and getting an overview of EU tax policy matters as well as state aid issues: Gaining insight into how the CJEU and national courts/tax authorities interact; Familiarization with prospective harmonization issues in direct tax law matters in particular the Minimum taxation Directive, the transparency initiative and the fight against aggressive tax planning <p>Being able to understand current tax policy debate about taxing the digitalized economy and the global impact of tax initiatives around environmental issues and harmful tax practices</p>
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 1 – European Economic Law – Compliance - Regulation (Module 2)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	Digital Internal Market
Lecturer	Dr. Luigi Malferrari Member of the Legal Service, European Commission, Brussels
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Specialized Course
Credit Points	2
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 24h Independent Study Time: 36h Total Study Time: 60h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	The objective of the course is threefold: 1) to illustrate the main content and explore some of the legal challenges which the EU single market faces in practice in the digital field. 2) to illustrate in light of concrete cases the technique of legal reasoning and adjudication by the ECJ (including its interaction with national judges); 3) to illustrate the ins and outs of EU litigation from the perspective of a practitioner.
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 1 – European Economic Law – Compliance - Regulation (Module 2)									
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)								
Course	Trademarks								
Lecturer	Dr. Gabriele Steinfatt Judge at the General Court of the European Union								
Frequency	Annually								
Duration of Course	1 Term								
Curriculum	Specialized Course								
Credit Points	1,5								
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Course type	Lecture								
Summary	This lecture provides an introduction to EU trade mark law including the European trade mark system. It aims at giving the students an understanding of the importance of trade mark protection for fair competition within the European Union. Students will learn what signs can be registered as an EU trade mark and discover different types of trade marks as well as the scope of protection and the effects of EU trade marks. The lecture covers the process of registering an EU trade mark, including the application requirements, examination procedure, and potential grounds for refusal. It also deals with the main procedural issues of EU trade mark protection such as opposition proceedings and invalidity proceedings.								
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.								

Track 2 – Trade, Investment and International Dispute Settlement (Module 3&4)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	International Trade Law
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg Chair of Public Law, International Law and European Law, Director of the Europa-Institut, Saarland University
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Obligatory Course
Credit Points	3
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 36h Independent Study Time: 54h Total Study Time: 90h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	<p>The course is designed to introduce students to the regulation of international trade law. In regard to the international trade law the focus is on the regulation of trade at the multilateral level of the World Trade Organization (WTO).</p> <p>The lecture starts with an introduction to Public International Law, e.g. sources and subjects of PIL, followed by the historical development of the World Trade System. The main part of the lecture focuses on the study of the objectives and institutional structure of the WTO and the basic principles of the system as they apply to trade in goods, trade in services and intellectual property. It also covers the more specific agreements in these areas and the study of the Dispute Settlement Mechanism designed for the monitoring and the enforcement of the rules.</p>
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 2 – Trade, Investment and International Dispute Settlement (Module 3&4)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS)
Lecturer	Dr. Fernando Piérola Senior Counsel, Advisory Centre on WTO Law, Geneva
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Obligatory Course
Credit Points	1,5
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 18h Independent Study Time: 27h Total Study Time: 45h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	GATS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significance of the GATS in the multilateral trading system • Substantive disciplines: categorisation of services, general obligations (MFN and exemptions), specific commitments, market access (schedules), national treatment (including exceptions), exceptions, special services areas addressed in the GATS annexes (air transport, maritime transport, financial services, and telecommunications). • Relationship between the GATS and the GATT • Understanding a GATS schedule • GATS in WTO dispute settlement
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 2 – Trade, Investment and International Dispute Settlement (Module 3&4)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	TRIPS
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Dr. h. c. mult. Thomas Cottier Emeritus Professor of European and International Economic Law, the University of Bern; Senior Research Fellow and former Managing Director, World Trade Institute
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Obligatory Course
Credit Points	2
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 24h Independent Study Time: 36h Total Study Time: 60h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	The course offers an introduction to the protection of intellectual property in international law, mainly focusing on the TRIPS Agreement and subsequent developments in preferential trade agreements. The course seeks to develop an understanding of the functions of IP for trade and investment protection. It sets out the principles under which the system operates, the scope of rights including restrictions and the balancing of interests, for example with public health. The course addresses the principles and rules relating to enforcing such right. It concludes by discussing the legal nature of IP rights in international law and their relationship to the protection of human rights. Reading materials and slides are made available to students.
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 2 – Trade, Investment and International Dispute Settlement (Module 3&4)									
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)								
Course	Dispute Resolution Overview								
Lecturer	RA Prof. Dr. Helmut Ortner, LL.M. (Yale), LL.M. (Vienna), MLE (Vienna), Esq (New York) Managing Partner, PARAGON Advocacy (Vienna)								
Frequency	Annually								
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Summary	<p>This course is designed to establish a solid foundation for the in-depth study of various dispute resolution mechanisms in subsequent courses. It provides a comprehensive overview of the primary alternative dispute resolution methods—negotiation, mediation, and arbitration—and compares them with state court litigation in the context of international disputes.</p> <p>The lecture introduces key concepts and principles relevant to each mechanism, while examining their respective advantages and challenges. Special attention is given to how the choice of a particular dispute resolution method influences the legal norms governing both procedural aspects and the merits of the dispute.</p>								
Miscellaneous	<p>In English Language.</p> <p>List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.</p>								

Track 2 – Trade, Investment and International Dispute Settlement (Module 3&4)									
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)								
Course	Private International Law								
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Iris Canor-von Bogdandy Professor, Haim Striks School of Law, Colman, Tel Aviv								
Frequency	Annually								
Duration of Course	1 Term								
Curriculum	Obligatory Course								
Credit Points	2								
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Summary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will acquire excellent professional analytical skills for approaching legal questions within the field of European private international law. • Students will grasp the unique methodology for developing critical thinking towards major issues within European private international law. Policy considerations will be carefully articulated. Students should be enabled to convincingly present legal arguments in court. • Students will acquire theoretical insight into the emerging multilevel systems of Private international law worldwide. • This course is not only about European private international law but also about the law profession as an “art”. The course will encourage the participants to deal with legal materials accurately and critically. 								
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.								

Track 2 – Trade, Investment and International Dispute Settlement (Module 3&4)									
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)								
Course	International Commercial Arbitration								
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Stefan Weber, LL.M. (Harvard) Partner, Weber & Co. Attorneys-at-law, Vienna								
Frequency	Annually								
Duration of Course	1 Term								
Curriculum	Obligatory Course								
Credit Points	3								
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Course type	Lecture								
Summary	The course provides a comprehensive introduction to the field of international commercial arbitration and gives an overview on international investment arbitration. It gives an insight on international commercial arbitration as an instrument to settle disputes between business entities, particularly on arbitration under the auspices of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC).								
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.								

Track 2 – Trade, Investment and International Dispute Settlement (Module 3&4)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	Introduction to Investment Law
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg Chair of Public Law, International Law and European Law, Director of the Europa-Institut, Saarland University
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Obligatory Course
Credit Points	2
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 24h Independent Study Time: 36h Total Study Time: 60h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	<p>The course is designed to introduce students to the basics of International Investment Law.</p> <p>It focuses on the basic principles of international investment law, esp. protection of international investments (investments made in the territory of a third state via public international law – customary international law and treaty law), with an emphasis on International Investment Treaties. The main objective of the course is to provide students with a solid grounding in technical issues of international investment law and policy; the course aims at a critical discussion of this special branch of international economic law as well as pointing out current developments (especially with the EU as a new player in this field of law) and possible future reform.</p>
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 2 – Trade, Investment and International Dispute Settlement (Module 3&4)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	WTO Rules on Subsidies + Anti-Dumping
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Rainer M. Bierwagen Partner, ADVANT Beiten, Brussels
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Specialized Course
Credit Points	2
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 24h Independent Study Time: 36h Total Study Time: 60h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	<p>GATT provides that customs duties for import of goods be fixed and only be increased in a few instances in order to protect the industry of the importing country. Two scenarios are the most common: (A) Protective action against dumping, i.e. price discrimination, where exporters sell at lower prices for export. (B) Protective action against subsidies, i.e. where exporting countries grant advantages to exporters; as the effect of subsidies may be felt in other countries, GATT contains certain rules restraining the use of subsidies respectively countering their effects. By way of comparison, few countries have subsidy restraining rules in their domestic legal order, such as the EU.</p> <p>Structure</p> <p>Familiarization with WTO and EU rules regarding trade defence instruments and their application to concrete factual circumstances in order to achieve the best results for companies that are using the instruments (complainants) or are subject to them (exporting producers, importers and users).</p> <p>Learning the interaction between trade protection rules, customs laws, and national implementation of duties.</p> <p>Familiarization with calculations and understanding of company specific economic data.</p>
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 2 – Trade, Investment and International Dispute Settlement (Module 3&4)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	Trade and Environment, GATT, TBT and SPS
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Quick, LL.M. (University of Michigan) Former Head of the Brussels Office, German Chemical Industry Association, Brussels
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Specialized Course
Credit Points	2
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 24h Independent Study Time: 36h Total Study Time: 60h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	The course deals with the interrelationship between international and national environmental laws and the international trading system. It will address the question on whether trade and environment can be mutually supportive or whether there is a fundamental conflict between them. The student should be able to apply the relevant WTO provisions on the basis of the Appellate Body rulings to real and hypothetical cases and come forward with creative solutions on how to solve this difficult interrelationship. Also, the related EU external trade issues will be discussed. The course will prepare students for practical work in law firms, the administration or industrial or societal NGOs.
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 3 – European & International Human Rights (Module 5)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	Regional Protection of Human Rights in Europe
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Ivana Jelic Judge, the European Court of Human Rights, Strasbourg Dr. Julia Jungfleisch, LL.M. Research Associate, Europa-Institut of Saarland University
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Obligatory Course
Credit Points	3
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 36h Independent Study Time: 54h Total Study Time: 90h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	<p>This lecture aims at providing the students with an insight in essential specialized knowledge of one of the central human rights protection mechanisms in Europe, which is also the most developed regional human rights protection system in the world.</p> <p>The content of the course is focused on the protection of fundamental rights enshrined in the European Convention of Human Rights and the Protocols thereto, through the case law of the European Court of Human Rights.</p> <p>At the end of the lecture the students should</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the nature and scope of the Human Rights Protection in Europe through the Convention and the Court. • Learn about the Convention as an instrument of International law, its application and interpretation • Become familiar with the European Court of Human Rights, its jurisdiction, working methods and its application of the Convention. • Gain knowledge on the different procedures before the Court, namely the individual application procedure, inter-state applications and advisory opinions • Hear about the execution of the judgements • Acquire the necessary skills for applying the Convention and its Protocols to individual cases
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.

Track 3 – European & International Human Rights (Module 5)									
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)								
Course	Human Rights in EU Law								
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Clemens Ladenburger, LL.M. Deputy Director-General of the Legal Service, European Commission, Brussels								
Frequency	Annually								
Duration of Course	1 Term								
Curriculum	Obligatory Course								
Credit Points	1,5								
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Summary	The Lisbon Treaty has profoundly changed the EU's human rights system, by making the Charter legally binding and by providing the EU's accession to the ECHR. This course is taught by a practitioner who lived through the genesis of the Charter and is now following its application by the Commission in legislation and before the Court of Justice. This course will have four parts: historical development of fundamental rights protection in the EU; general questions of interpretation of the Charter; selected areas of practice; and an overview of the process of the EU's accession to the ECHR.								
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.								

Track 3 – European & International Human Rights (Module 5)									
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)								
Course	The Protection of Human Rights in Europe – Law and Policy								
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Iris Canor-von Bogdandy Professor, Haim Striks School of Law, Colman, Tel Aviv								
Frequency	Annually								
Duration of Course	1 Term								
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Summary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will acquire practical knowledge of the sources of fundamental rights in the EU. • Students will acquire knowledge of the decisions given by the Court of Justice of the European Union on the protection of fundamental rights. • Students will acquire knowledge of the Moral Empowerment of fundamental rights in the EU: fundamental rights often endow legal arguments with a moral and legitimate fundament. The ways to use human rights discourse as an instrument in professional life will be revealed throughout the course. • Students will acquire knowledge of the Political Empowerment of fundamental rights: fundamental rights often mask political interests. Critical contemplation of the role human rights play in legal argumentation will be taught. • Comparative skills: The special methodology for conducting a thorough comparative examination of legal problems dealing with human rights issues will be made accessible to the students. • Expanding horizons: Students will acquire theoretical insight into the emerging multiple level system of human rights protection in Europe, while getting to know its historical roots, philosophical foundations, and future prospects. <p>This course is also about the law profession as an “art”. The course will encourage the participants to accurately and critically deal with legal materials.</p>								
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.								

Track 3 – European & International Human Rights (Module 5)	
Responsible for the Module	Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, LL.M. (Virginia) / Prof. Dr. Marc Bungenberg, LL.M. (Lausanne)
Course	Global Protection of Human Rights
Lecturer	Dr. Elif Askin Senior Research Fellow, Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg; Senior Researcher/Habilitation, Faculty of Law, University of Zurich
Frequency	Annually
Duration of Course	1 Term
Curriculum	Obligatory Course
Credit Points	3
Work Load (h)	Course Time: 36h Independent Study Time: 54h Total Study Time: 90h
Assessment	Exam
Course type	Lecture
Summary	The course provides students with a concise overview of international human rights protection at the global and regional levels. The first part of the course consists of a general introduction to international human rights law and its precursors. It explores the sources and legal nature of international human rights and addresses core universal and regional human rights treaties. The course then turns to the personal, territorial, and temporal scopes of application of human rights. The second part of the course discusses the different judicial and quasi-judicial mechanisms to monitor the implementation of human rights obligations, ranging from UN treaty bodies to regional human rights courts in Europe, Africa, and the Americas. Based on recent case-law of UN treaty bodies and regional human rights courts, the third part of the course focuses on a selection of substantives guarantees of civil and political rights on the one side and economic, social and cultural rights on the other. Finally, the course engages with practical, theoretical, and philosophical critiques and addresses the challenges human rights are currently facing in a (post-)globalized world.
Miscellaneous	In English Language. List of literature to be distributed at the beginning of the lecture.