

POLI 4041 International Law
Fall 2011
8:40am 116 Stubbs Hall
10:40am 218 Coates

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OBJECTIVE: The course is designed to provide a helpful insight into international law. This is a sub-discipline of political science and it has much controversy and debate surrounding it. We will examine the course over the semester. By the end of the semester, students should have obtained the necessary tools for explaining the

TEXTBOOKS: There are two textbooks required for the course

Conway Henderson: Understanding International Law

Edison, NJ: Wiley Blackwell 2010

Francis Kahn: International Law and International Relations

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES: You are required to attend all class sessions and to do all assignments on time. Active participation in class discussion is also encouraged.

EXAMS & OTHER ASSIGNMENTS: There will be an early TAKE HOME EXAM that covers introductory

material, a midterm in Class Events (on Courses and Subjects) and a final exam that covers the material for the semester. In addition, you will need a partner for your case report and presentation but the journal review should be done independently.

GRADES: Your final grade will be determined according to the following formula:

Class Participation	10 pts
Early Take-Home Exam	10 pts (Mon. Sept 12)
Midterm Exam	20 pts. (Mon. Oct 03)
Case Report & Presentation	10 pts. (Begins Oct 05)
Journal Review	20 pts. (Mon. Oct 17)
Final	30 pts. (Wed. Dec. 07; 12:30/5:30pm)
	100 pts.

A = 100-87 B = 86-78 C = 76-68 D = 66-60 E = Below 60

LECTURE OUTLINE & READING ASSIGNMENT

~~Aug 22 Sept 7~~ Course Introductions

*Nature & Function: Municipal vrs. International Law

*The Peculiarities: Dualism/History/Politics and Precedents

Reading: Henderson: Chapter 1 & 4

Cali Part 1; Chapter 16

~~Sept 12~~

~~Return Take Home Exam~~

~~Sept 00-10~~

~~The Sources of International Law~~

*Role of Art 38

*Other Sources

Reading: Henderson: Chapter 3

Cali; Part 2; Chapter 5 & 6

~~Sept 21-30~~

~~The Subjects of International Law~~

*Legal personality idea

*The state/International Organizations/Individuals

Reading: Henderson: chapter 2 & 5; chapter IO

Cali: Chapter 7, 9, & 13

Oct. 03

In Class Midterm Exam

Oct. 05-07

Begin Case Presentation with Partner

~~Oct 10-17~~

~~Settlement of International Disputes~~

*Arbitration in International Law

*Adjudication in International Law

Reading: Henderson Chapter 6

Cali: Chapter 8

Oct. 19-31

Jurisdiction and Sovereignty

May 24-25

*Principles of Jurisdiction

*Extradition/Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction

*Law on Territory/Maritime Areas/Airspace

Reading: Henderson: Chapter 5

Nov. 02-11

Laws of War

Basis/Prohibition of the use of force

Laws of Geneva/Laws of the Hague

Readings: Henderson

Cali: Chapter 10, 11, & 12

Nov. 14-18

The Laws of diplomacy

*Basis

*Law on Treaties/Law on Diplomacy

Reading: Henderson; Chapter

Nov. 21

Journal Review: Due Date

~~Nov. 21-28~~

~~Law of Commerce: Treatment of companies~~

~~*Nationality/Nationalization~~

~~Reading: Henderson; chapter 12~~

~~Cali; Chapter 15~~

Nov. 30-Dec. 02

Course Evaluation

Review Session

Return Pro. Final Grades

Dec. 07 (Wed.)

Final Exam

8:30 Class 12:30pm

10:40 Class 5:30pm