



Course Syllabus

Course Code LAW-187	Course Title Diplomacy	ECTS Credits 6
Prerequisites N/A	Department Law	Semester Fall
Type of Course Elective	Field International Relations	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1 st Cycle	Lecturer	Year of Study N/A
Mode of Delivery Conventional	Work Placement N/A	Corequisites N/A

Course Objectives:

This course provides an introduction to the practice of diplomacy. It outlines the evolution of diplomatic practice and various approaches to diplomatic method. It also examines the different forms of diplomatic relations, bilateral and multilateral, institutions and processes, the provisions of diplomatic law and the latest developments and innovations in diplomatic conduct, including contemporary aspects of diplomatic practice, such as digital and public diplomacy.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

1. Illustrate familiarity with the evolution of modern diplomatic thought and practice.
2. Analyse the different types of diplomatic relation and contact and the work of diplomatic organisations such as foreign ministries and missions.
3. Compare the processes of negotiation, mediation, diplomatic communication, and the function of diplomatic protocol and law.
4. Assess in a critical manner the process of negotiation, mediation, diplomatic communication, and the function of diplomatic protocol and law.
5. Trace the development of multilateral diplomacy and its functioning.
6. Assess the impact of technology and of the new media on diplomatic conduct.
7. Develop oral and written communication skills in the formulation of conceptual problems and be able to organize the available time and cope with deadlines.
8. Demonstrate the learning skills, including use of IT, to allow them to continue education in a self-directed manner and to work on an academic level within the intended professional field.

9. Use libraries, bibliographical material and academic research in an efficient manner.

Course Content:

1. Origins and definition of diplomacy
2. The emergence of the Modern Diplomatic System
3. The New Diplomacy
4. Structure and functions of Foreign Ministries
5. Bilateral diplomatic relations
6. Diplomatic practice and protocol
7. Multilateral diplomatic relations
8. Negotiations
9. Contemporary aspects of diplomacy
10. Economic diplomacy
11. Public diplomacy
12. Digital diplomacy

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, class discussion, group exercises, case studies, online quizzes and discussion fora, presentations.

Assessment Methods:

Presentation, midterm, final exam.

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Modern Diplomacy (4th edition)	R.P. Barston	Routledge	2013	978-1-4479-2141-7
Contemporary Diplomacy	Geoffrey Allen Pigman	Polity	2010	10: 0745642802

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
The Oxford Handbook of Modern Diplomacy	Andrew F. Cooper, Jorge Heine and Ramesh Thakur	Oxford University Press	2015	9780198743668
Diplomacy: Theory and Practice	G.R. Berridge	Palgrave Macmillan	2015	9781137445506
<i>21st Century Diplomacy: A Practitioner's Guide</i>	Kishan Rana	Continuum	2011	978-1441168382
<i>The Practice of Diplomacy: Its evolution, theory and administration</i>	Keith Hamilton and Richard Langhorn	Routledge	2011	9780415497640