



# UNIVERSITY OF NICOSIA

## ΠΑΝΕΠΙΣΤΗΜΙΟ ΛΕΥΚΩΣΙΑΣ

University of Nicosia, Cyprus

<b>Course Code</b> LAW-383	<b>Course Title</b> Public International Law I	<b>ECTS Credits</b> 6
<b>Department</b> Law	<b>Semester</b> Fall	<b>Prerequisites</b> Two from LAW-202, LAW-212, LAW-242 and LAW-252/6
<b>Type of Course</b> Major Requirement	<b>Field</b> Law	<b>Language of Instruction</b> English
<b>Level of Course</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle	<b>Year of Study</b> 3rd	<b>Lecturer(s)</b> Dr Tim Potier
<b>Mode of Delivery</b> Face-to-face	<b>Work Placement</b> N/A	<b>Co-requisites</b> None

### Objectives of the Course:

The course aims at introducing the students to the basic principles and themes of International Law: (inter alia) the sources of international law, international law's relationship with municipal law, recognition of states and governments and territorial jurisdiction.

### Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Explain the historical development of international law prior to World War II and appreciate the contribution of legal theorists to the subject.
2. Discuss the five traditional sources of international law and explain how they each serve the international community.
3. Demonstrate an appreciation of the effects of international law upon municipal law.
4. Evaluate the methods by which States and governments may be recognized.
5. Appraise the significance of the separate international personalities enjoyed by States, international organizations and individuals.
6. Discuss the workings of the law of treaties as conveyed in the Vienna Convention of 1969.
7. Assess how title over territory may be acquired and alienated.
8. Explain the influence the various systems of law, across the globe, have had on the law.

### Course Content:

During the course, the student will cover the following:

1. Introduction to Public International Law
2. History and Theory

3. Sources of International Law
4. International Law and Municipal Law
5. States, Governments, Recognition and International Personality
6. International Organisations and the Individual in the International Legal System
7. Jurisdiction
8. Acquisition of Territory
9. State Succession

**Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Interactive lectures, tutorials, written examinations and assignments
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**Assessment Methods:**

One written assignment, mid-term exam, final exam
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**Required Textbooks/Reading:**

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year
Malcolm D. Evans (ed.)	International Law (third edition)	Oxford	2010

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Peter Malanczuk (ed.)	Akehurst's Modern Introduction to International Law (seventh revised edition)	Routledge	1997
Malcolm N. Shaw	International Law (sixth edition)	Cambridge	2008
Ian Brownlie	Principles of Public International Law (seventh edition)	Oxford	2008
Martin Dixon	Textbook on International Law (sixth edition)	Blackstone's	2007
D.J. Harris	Cases and Materials on International Law (sixth edition)	Sweet & Maxwell	2004
Timothy Hillier	Sourcebook on Public International Law	Cavendish	1998
J.G. Starke and I.A. Shearer	Starke's International Law (eleventh edition)	Butterworths	1994
Rebecca M.M. Wallace	International Law (sixth edition)	Sweet & Maxwell	2009
Anthony Aust	Handbook of International Law (second edition)	Cambridge	2010
Rosalyn Higgins	Problems & Process: International Law and How We Use It	Clarendon	1993
Antonio Cassese	International Law (second edition)	Oxford	2001