



Course Syllabus

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits
LAW-399	International Criminal Law	6
Prerequisites	Department	Semester
None	Law	Fall
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction
Elective	Public International Law	English
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study
1st Cycle	Maria Kyprianou	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Corequisites
Face-to-face	N/A	None

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- Understand what International Criminal Law is and its fundamental principles, the modes of responsibility and criminal participation, defences and immunities.
- Analyse the basic international law crimes
- Understand jurisdiction issues and international cooperation

Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Understand international criminal law principles and procedures
2. Know the main international law crimes
3. Understand the method of evidence presentation, sentencing and penalties
4. Study the main international law tribunals and the Permanent International Court through cases
5. Critically Approach the role of international crime victims and their protection

Course Content:

1. **What is International Criminal Law:** Ch. 1 and 2 Cryer and Ch.1 Bantekas
2. **Jurisdiction and International Cooperation:** Ch. 3-5 Cryer, Ch. 15 and 16 Bantekas
3. **Nuremberg, Tokyo, Yugoslavia and Rwanda Tribunals:** Ch. 6-7 Cryer, Ch. 17 and

- 18 Bantekas
4. **Permanent International Criminal Court & Internationalised Domestic Criminal Tribunals:** Ch. 8-9 Cryer, Ch. 19 and 20 Bantekas
 5. **Crimes I: Genocide, Crimes Against Humanity, War Crimes:** Ch. 10-12 Cryer, Ch. 7, 8, 9, 10 Bantekas
 6. **Crimes II: Crime of Aggression, Transnational Crimes, Terrorism, Torture, International Criminal Law of the Sea:** Ch. 13-14 Cryer, Ch. 11, 12, 13, 14 Bantekas
 7. **The General principles of Liability, Defences and Grounds for Excluding Criminal Responsibility:** Ch. 15, 16 Cryer, Part IV Cassese
 8. **Procedures of International Criminal Investigations and prosecutions:** Ch. 17 Cryer, Ch.3 and 4 Bantekas and Part V Cassese
 9. **Victims in the International Criminal Process, Sentencing and Penalties:** Ch. 18 and 19 Cryer
 10. **State Cooperation with the International Courts and Tribunals / Immunities:** Ch.20, 21 Cryer
 11. **Alternatives and Complements to Criminal Prosecution / the future of International Criminal Law:** Ch. 22, 23 Cryer
 12. Presentations of Assignments and Revision Class

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures & discussion, Presentations and Final Exam

Assessment Methods:

Class Participation, Successful Assignment and presentation, Final Examination

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
An Introduction to International Criminal Law and Procedure	Robert Cryer, Hakan Friman, Darryl Robinson, Elizabeth Wilmshurst	Cambridge	2014	978-1107065901
International Criminal Law	Ilias Bantekas	Hart Publishing	2010	978-1849460453

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
International Criminal Law: Cases and Commentary	Antonio Cassese, Guido Acquaviva, Mary Fan, Alex Whiting	Oxford University Press	2011	978-0199576784