

Course Title	International Legal Ethics
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Brief description	The rule of law adopts universal principles that are applied to international legal ethics. Students will learn the fundamental legal ethical rules and the similarities and distinctions among various jurisdictions and in particular EU, UK and USA. Students will consider why rules of ethics are necessary for the practice of law and what role morality plays in legal ethical decisions. Actual cases and examples will be presented and discussed in the classroom.
Schedule	1. The Rule of Law 2. Sources of Legal Ethical Rules 3. Legal Ethics in Civil Law and Common Law 4. Lawyer as Fiduciary: Shared Principles of EU and USA 5. Rule of Confidentiality 6. The Attorney Client Privilege 7. The Work Product Doctrine 8. Conflicts of Interest 9. Advertising and Solicitation of Legal Services and Exam Discussion
Materials/ Recommended	Course materials will be posted online.
readings	Students may wish to read:
	Charter of Core Principles of the European Legal Profession and Code of Conduct for European Lawyers:
	https://www.ccbe.eu/NTCdocument/EN CCBE CoCpdf1 1382973057.pdf
	2. ABA Model Rules of Professional Responsibility: https://www.americanbar.org/groups/professional_responsibility/publications/model_rules_of_professional_conduct_table_of_con_tents/
	Other readings of interest for the class:
	3. Van Binsbergen case:
	https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A61974CJ0033

	4. AM & S Europe Limited v Commission of the European Communities
	https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A61979CJ0155
	5. Akzo Nobel Chemicals Ltd. & Akros Chemicals Ltd. v. European Commission
	https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/GA/TXT/?uri=CELEX:62007CJ0550
	6. Bates v. State Bar of Arizona
	https://supreme.justia.com/cases/federal/us/433/350/
	7. BBC Ethics Centre (2014). What is Ethics? Available from
	http://www.bbc.co.uk/ethics/introduction/intro_1.shtml
	8. The Ethics Centre (2018). <i>What is Ethics?</i> Available from
	http://www.ethics.org.au/about/what-is-ethics
	9. Markkula Center for Applied Ethics, Santa Clara University (2010). <i>What is Ethics?</i> Available from
	https://www.scu.edu/ethics/ethics-resources/ethical-decision-making/what-is-ethics/
Assessment / Exam	Students will be given a short answer question exam