



Title	<u>Introduction to Public International Law (Lecture)</u>
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Brief description	International law regulates more things than we might imagine: from the sanctions we can impose on other states over how many bananas Europe can import from South America to whether states can dispose of their natural resources as they see fit. Beneath the technicalities lie ambitions to shape international order according to contesting political projects of liberal internationalism, decolonisation and the like that the fragile and ever-contested nature of international law makes easy to grasp. This course gives an overview of the substance of international law and the structures of its enforcement. It pays particular attention to the respective historical contexts and the conflicts out of which the current order and its specific norms have arisen. Students will be able to solve basic case studies as well as contextualise legal and normative claims about international order.
Schedule	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. History of international order2. Subjects of international law3. Sources of IL: customs and general principles4. Sources of IL: treaties5. Jurisdiction and immunity6. State responsibility7. Midterm exam8. The transformation of war: collective security and humanitarian law9. Peaceful settlement of disputes10. International self-help: countermeasures and sanctions11. Overview: trade and investment law12. Overview: human rights law and development
Materials/Recommended readings	Core: Klabbers, J. (2020). International Law (3rd ed.). Cambridge University Press. Alternative: Evans, M. (Ed.). (2018), International Law (5th ed.). Oxford: Oxford University Press. Recommended literature and case material specific to the class will be made available in advance
Assessment/Exam	Oral participation (30 %); Midterm take-home exam (30 %); Final exam (40 %). The midterm exam counts only if it is better than the final exam. It is primarily an opportunity to get feedback. All exams are open book take home exams.