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World Trade Organization Law

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Teacher(s) :	Brown Colin ; Van Damme Isabelle ;
Language :	Anglais
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes :	The course covers the institutional and material law of the WTO: the history of the GATT and the institutionalization of the WTO, the dispute settlement procedure, the basic rules (including the exemptions, etc.) of the exchange of goods (GATT) and services (GATS). The study of the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) is however not detailed. The emphasis is placed on the 'case-law' of the Dispute Settlement Body and on the relationship between WTO law, domestic laws (including the Community legal order) and general international law.
Aims :	The purpose of this course is to present in a comprehensive and coherent way the two legal foundations of the economic globalization: the law of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the law of foreign direct investments. The aim is to analyze thoroughly how the legal technique of public international law is used to promote international trade (WTO) and to protect an essential factor of production (investment) moving according to the liberal rule of comparative advantages. The objective is also to study the relationship between those rules and other rules of international law, including those protecting the environment and the fundamental rights of individuals. <i>The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".</i>
Cycle and year of study :	 Master [120] in Law Advanced Master in European Law Master [120] in Law (shift schedule) Advanced Master in International Law Master [120] in Political Sciences: International Relations Master [120] in Public Administration Master [120] in Political Sciences: General
Faculty or entity in charge:	BUDR