

Faculty of Law



INT2366 Public International Law Seminar

[30h] 9 credits

Teacher(s): Pierre d'Argent
Language: French
Level: Second cycle

Aims

The aim of the seminar is to encourage students to reflect thoroughly on certain topics in the legal branch concerned, the theoretical bases of which were taught during the first years of the teaching programme. The chosen topic varies from year to year. It is sufficiently general to be subdivided into about fifteen subjects closely related to a common issue.

Main themes

The methodology used requires each student to carry out two assignments: an oral presentation during the course of the year on the outcome of his/her research on the topic assigned to him/her; and a written report in which the student is required to systematize and summarise the issues raised by his/her topic and to take advantage of the discussions and debate that followed his/her exposé as well as those of the other students. The lessons start at the beginning of the academic year. However, the first oral presentations only take place during the second term. During the first term, the students present the various topics analysed. Each student regularly reports on the status of his/her research as well as on the issues and difficulties that he/she is faced with. This work thus is carried out in a team in order to ensure coordination. During the first term, one or other lesson may be dedicated to an exposé on a specific item related to the themes of the seminar. The lecturer is either a member of the Law School or an external person. Each student is assessed on the basis of his/her work over the year, his/her effective participation in the work and debates and the quality of his/her oral presentation and written report.

Content and teaching methods

Theme for 2004-2006: international law and terrorism Since 9/11, the fight against terrorism has kept news reporters, police services and diplomats very busy, not without causing various controversies. As a criminal activity which has become a threat to peace and as an old phenomenon which has developed new forms, terrorism is today a very disturbing factor in international relations.

The fight against terrorism challenges law in many ways, creating intrinsic tensions within the law. It is a vast and lively field of study, touching on international and European police cooperation as well as on questions more directly related to international peace and security.

Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Ability to at least reading English. Non-residential seminar.

Other credits in programs

DROI23 Troisième licence en droit (9 credits)