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LUMUMBA  
RUDN University**

**Law Institute, International Law Department**

educational division (faculty/institute/academy) as higher education programme developer

**COURSE SYLLABUS**

**International Public Law**

course title

**Recommended by the Didactic Council for the Education Field of:**

**40.03.01 Jurisprudence**

field of studies / speciality code and title

**The course instruction is implemented within the professional education programme  
of higher education:**

**Bachelor of Laws (LLB)**

higher education programme profile/specialisation title

## 1. COURSE GOAL(s)

The aim of the course “International Public Law” is to acquaint students within the framework of the course with the features of international law as an independent system of law, which plays an increasing role in the regulation of international relations. The course is based on the main sources of international law, primarily general and special international treaties, as well as international legal customs, which continue to play an important role in regulating international legal relations along with treaty provisions. Special attention is paid to the decisions of bodies of international intergovernmental organizations, international judicial decisions and doctrine, which reflect the main trends in the progressive development of international law.

The main objectives of the course include the following: to reveal the essence, features and legal nature of international law as an independent system of law; to prove its non-alternative role in solving global problems; to analyze the content of the branches and institutions of international law that make up a special part of the course; to highlight the main trends in the process of progressive development of international law; to point out the obstacles of a conceptual, political, geopolitical and normative nature that make it difficult to apply international law as an effective means of resolving interstate disputes and overcoming emerging crises in various spheres of international relations.

## 2. REQUIREMENTS FOR LEARNING OUTCOMES

Mastering the course “International Public Law” is aimed at the Bachelor’s students’ formation of the following competencies (part of competencies):

*Table 2.1. List of target competencies (parts of competencies)*

<b>Competence code</b>	<b>Competence descriptor</b>	<b>Competence formation indicators (within this course)</b>
GC-2	Can specify the range of tasks within the goal and choose the best ways to complete them based on the current legal norms, available resources and restrictions	GC-2.3. Identifies the available resources, restrictions and the current legal norms based on the tasks given;
GPC-1	Can analyze the main patterns of formation, implementation and development of law.	GPC-1.1. Knows the basics of the history of law, its nature and patterns;
		GPC-1.2. Uses legal methodology in order to analyze the main patterns of formation, implementation and development of law;
		GPC-1.3. Formulates and explains their position to complete professional tasks using relevant legal information
GPC-2	Knows the specifics of foreign scientific worldview and masters the academic discourse in Russian and foreign languages being learnt	GPC 2.1. Knows the specifics of the scientific picture of the world and the components of its discursive modeling in Russian and the foreign languages being learnt
		GPC-2.2. Masters comprehensive tools to produce academic discourse in Russian and foreign languages
		GPC-2.3. Makes legally relevant decisions and formalizes them in strict accordance with the norms of substantive and procedural law

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Competence formation indicators (within this course)
GPC-4	Can interpret legal norms in a professional way	<p>GPC-4.1. Understands the nature and significance of legal norms and their interpretation in the legal profession;</p> <p>GPC-4.2. Has mastered the skills to apply various methods of interpreting laws, identify conflicts of laws and gaps in legal regulation;</p> <p>GPC-4.3. Masters the skills of presenting the results of legal interpretation and using them in implementation of law</p>
GPC-5	Can use their speaking and writing skills in a cohesive, well-reasoned and logical way with a uniform and correct use of professional legal terminology	GPC-5.3. Correctly uses legal terminology in professional communication
GPC-6	Can participate in the process of drafting regulatory acts and other legal documents	<p>GPC-6.1. Identifies the necessity of drafting legal acts and other legal documents as well as their affiliated branch;</p> <p>GPC-6.2. Highlights and considers the features of various types of regulatory acts and other legal documents;</p> <p>GPC-6.3. Applies the legal techniques and rules to draft regulatory acts and other legal documents</p>
PC-1	Can draft regulatory acts, formulate legal norms for various levels of rulemaking and areas of professional activity	<p>PC-1.1. Identifies the societal need for legal regulations of public relations in a particular area as well as gaps and conflicts in the current legislation and has the tools to overcome and eliminate them</p> <p>PC-1.2 Understands the nature and levels of rulemaking, identifies the stages and actors in the rulemaking procedure</p>
PC-2	Can apply legal norms in specific legal areas and use them in the way prescribed by law	<p>PC-2.1. Demonstrates specific knowledge of the implementation of law, knows the procedure for carrying out the duties of jurisdictional bodies responsible for the implementation of law;</p> <p>PC-2.2. Has mastered the skills of analyzing the facts of the case, qualifying the facts of law and legal relations that arise due to them, identifies legally significant circumstances</p> <p>PC-2.3. Carries out the correct choice of the legal norm to be applied and the method of its interpretation</p> <p>PC-2.4. Has mastered the methods of searching for cases of implementation of law and monitoring it in order to complete professional tasks</p> <p>PC-2.5. Develops options for legal actions in strict accordance with the legislation and makes decisions in the form prescribed by law</p>

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Competence formation indicators (within this course)
PC-9	Capable of organizing and conducting general preventive, targeted, and incarcerated activities to counter the spread of terrorist ideology and neo-Nazism.	PC-9.1 Defines the content and forms of preventive work to counter the ideology of terrorism and neo-Nazism in accordance with current regulatory legal acts; PC-9.2 Organizes and conducts preventive activities in the educational or social environment in accordance with established requirements and regulatory documents;

At the end of this course, students will:

***know***

- legal nature of international law as an independent system of law;
- the content of the branches and institutions of international law that make up a special part of the course;
- the main trends in the process of progressive development of international law;
- the main obstacles of a conceptual, political, geopolitical and normative nature that make it difficult to apply international law as an effective means of resolving interstate disputes and overcoming emerging crises in various spheres of international relations..

***able to***

- analyze international treaties in order to identify the possibility of negative consequences for states in case of non-fulfillment of the provisions of the treaty
- do legal analysis of legal conflicts
- to search, analyze, and work with legally relevant information by using the juridical, comparative and other specific methods
- to work with judicial information (search, evaluate, use information, necessary for fulfillment of academic and professional tasks, from various sources, including application of the systematic approach)

### 3. COURSE IN HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The course “International Public Law” refers to the core/variable/elective\* component of (B1) block of the higher educational programme curriculum.

\* - Underline whatever applicable.

Within the higher education programme students also master other (modules) and / or internships that contribute to the achievement of the expected learning outcomes as results of the course study.

*Table 3.1. The list of the higher education programme components/disciplines that contribute to the achievement of the expected learning outcomes as the course study results*

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
GC-2	Can specify the range of tasks within the goal and choose the best		Environmental Law and Land Law / Экологическое и земельное право

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
	ways to complete them based on the current legal norms, available resources and restrictions	Financial Law and Tax Law / Финансовое и налоговое право Criminal Procedure and Forensic Science / Уголовный процесс и криминалистика Civil and Arbitration Procedure / Гражданский и арбитражный процесс Civil Law / Гражданское право Administrative Law / Административное право Constitutional Law / Конституционное право Theory of State and Law / Теория государства и права Philosophy / Философия	Labor Law / Трудовое право International Private Law / Международное частное право Commercial Law and Corporations / Предпринимательское право
GPC-1	Can analyze the main patterns of formation, implementation and development of law	Theory of State and Law / Теория государства и права History of State and Law of Foreign Countries / История государства и права зарубежных стран History of Russian State and Law / История государства и права России Civil Law / Гражданское право Civil and Arbitration Procedure / Гражданский и арбитражный процесс	Labor Law / Трудовое право International Private Law / Международное частное право Commercial Law and Corporations / Предпринимательское право Legal Research and Reasoning / Правовые исследования и аргументация Roman Law / Римское право Comparative Constitutional Law and Justice / Сравнительное конституционное право Comparative Administrative Law and Justice / Сравнительное административное право Comparative Criminal Law / Сравнительное уголовное право Comparative Civil and Commercial Law /

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
			Сравнительное гражданское и торговое право Comparative Criminal Procedure / Сравнительный уголовный процесс Comparative Civil Procedure / Сравнительный гражданский процесс Comparative Financial and Tax Law / Сравнительное финансовое право Work Experience (Investigation-Prosecution) Internship / Производственная практика (следственно-прокурорская) Work Experience (Judicial) Internship / Производственная практика (судебная) Work Experience (Pre-graduation) Internship / Производственная (преддипломная) практика
GPC-2	Knows the specifics of foreign scientific worldview and masters the academic discourse in Russian and foreign languages being learnt	History of State and Law of Foreign Countries / История государства и права зарубежных стран History of Russian State and Law / История государства и права России Constitutional Law / Конституционное право Administrative Law / Административное право Civil Law / Гражданское право Civil and Arbitration Procedure / Гражданский и арбитражный процесс Criminal Procedure and Forensic Science /	Environmental Law and Land Law / Экологическое и земельное право Labor Law / Трудовое право International Private Law / Международное частное право Commercial Law and Corporations / Предпринимательское право Comparative Law Studies / Сравнительное правоведение Comparative Constitutional Law and Justice / Сравнительное конституционное право Comparative Administrative Law and Justice / Сравнительное административное право

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
		Уголовный процесс и криминалистика Financial Law and Tax Law / Финансовое и налоговое право	Comparative Criminal Law / Сравнительное уголовное право Comparative Civil and Commercial Law / Сравнительное гражданское и торговое право Comparative Criminal Procedure / Сравнительный уголовный процесс Comparative Civil Procedure / Сравнительный гражданский процесс Comparative Financial and Tax Law / Сравнительное финансовое право Work Experience (Investigation-Prosecution) Internship / Производственная практика (следственно-прокурорская) Work Experience (Judicial) Internship / Производственная практика (судебная)
GPC-4	Can interpret legal norms in a professional way	Constitutional Law / Конституционное право Administrative Law / Административное право Civil Law / Гражданское право Criminal Law / Уголовное право Civil and Arbitration Procedure / Гражданский и арбитражный процесс Criminal Procedure and Forensic Science / Уголовный процесс и криминалистика Financial Law and Tax Law / Финансовое и налоговое право	Environmental Law and Land Law / Экологическое и земельное право Labor Law / Трудовое право International Private Law / Международное частное право Commercial Law and Corporations / Предпринимательское право Comparing Legal Techniques / Сравнительная юридическая техника Work Experience (Judicial) Internship / Производственная практика (судебная)

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
GPC-5	Can use their speaking and writing skills in a cohesive, well-reasoned and logical way with a uniform and correct use of professional legal terminology.	Foreign Language for Legal Purposes / Иностраный язык в сфере юриспруденции Russian Language for Legal Purposes (for foreign students) / Русский язык в сфере юриспруденции (для иностранных студентов) Theory of State and Law / Теория государства и права History of Russia / История России History of State and Law of Foreign Countries / История государства и права зарубежных стран History of Russian State and Law / История государства и права России Foundations of Rhetoric and Communication / Основы риторики и коммуникации Civil Law / Гражданское право Civil and Arbitration Procedure / Гражданский и арбитражный процесс Criminal Procedure and Forensic Science / Уголовный процесс и криминалистика	Labor Law / Трудовое право International Private Law / Международное частное право Commercial Law and Corporations / Предпринимательское право Legal Research and Reasoning / Правовые исследования и аргументация Roman Law / Римское право Comparing Legal Techniques / Сравнительная юридическая техника Work Experience (Investigation-Prosecution) Internship / Производственная практика (следственно-прокурорская) Work Experience (Judicial) Internship / Производственная практика (судебная) Work Experience (Pre-graduation) Internship / Производственная практика (преддипломная) практика
GPC-6	Can participate in the process of drafting regulatory acts and other legal documents	Financial Law and Tax Law / Финансовое и налоговое право Criminal Procedure and Forensic Science / Уголовный процесс и криминалистика Civil and Arbitration Procedure /	Environmental Law and Land Law / Экологическое и земельное право Labor Law / Трудовое право International Private Law / Международное частное право

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
		Гражданский и арбитражный процесс Civil Law / Гражданское право Constitutional Law / Конституционное право	Commercial Law and Corporations / Предпринимательское право Educational Internship / Учебная практика
PC-1	Can draft regulatory acts, formulate legal norms for various levels of rulemaking and areas of professional activity	Financial Law and Tax Law / Финансовое и налоговое право Civil Law / Гражданское право Administrative Law / Административное право Constitutional Law / Конституционное право Theory of State and Law / Теория государства и права	Environmental Law and Land Law / Экологическое и земельное право Labor Law / Трудовое право International Private Law / Международное частное право Commercial Law and Corporations / Предпринимательское право Comparative Constitutional Law and Justice / Сравнительное конституционное право Comparative Criminal Law / Сравнительное уголовное право Comparative Administrative Law and Justice / Сравнительное административное право Comparative Civil and Commercial Law / Сравнительное гражданское и торговое право Comparative Criminal Procedure / Сравнительный уголовный процесс Comparative Civil Procedure / Сравнительный гражданский процесс Comparative Financial and Tax Law / Сравнительное финансовое право Philosophy of Law: Fundamental Course / Философия права: базовый курс

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
			Civil Liberties and Human Rights / Гражданские свободы и права человека Law and Artificial Intelligence / Право и искусственный интеллект Law and Bioethics / Право и биоэтика Data Regulation and Protection in Digital Age / Регулирование и защита данных в эпоху цифровых технологий Communications and Internet Law and Policy / Коммуникации, интернет право и политика Law and Neuroscience / Закон и нейронауки Educational Internship / Учебная практика
PC-2	Can apply legal norms in specific legal areas and use them in the way prescribed by law	Financial Law and Tax Law / Финансовое и налоговое право Civil and Arbitration Procedure / Гражданский и арбитражный процесс Civil Law / Гражданское право Administrative Law / Административное право Information Technologies in Legal Practice (Fundamentals of Legal Tech) / Информационные технологии в юридической деятельности Theory of State and Law / Теория государства и права	Environmental Law and Land Law / Экологическое и земельное право Labor Law / Трудовое право International Private Law / Международное частное право Commercial Law and Corporations / Предпринимательское право Logic for Lawyers / Логика для юристов Theory of Legal Argumentation / Теория юридической аргументации Fundamentals of Medicine Law / Основы медицинского права Legal Tech: Advanced Course / Юридические технологии: продвинутый курс Workshop "Procedural Documents in Civil Cases" / Практикум

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
			<p>"Процессуальные документы по гражданским делам" Workshop "Procedural Documents in Administrative Cases" / Практикум</p> <p>"Процессуальные документы по административным делам" Workshop "Procedural Documents in Criminal Cases" / Практикум</p> <p>"Процессуальные документы по уголовным делам" Workshop "Skills of Effective Presentation in Court" / Практикум</p> <p>"Навыки эффективного выступления в суде" Workshop "Procedural Documents in International Disputes" / Практикум</p> <p>"Процессуальные документы в международных спорах" Workshop "Procedural Documents in Constitutional Procedure" / Практикум</p> <p>"Процессуальные документы в конституционном процессе" Workshop "Negotiations and Contracts" / Практикум</p> <p>"Переговоры и заключение договоров" Workshop "Drafting Legal Letters, Memos &amp; Legal Opinions" / Практикум</p> <p>"Составление юридических писем, меморандумов и юридических заключений" Work Experience (Judicial) Internship / Производственная практика (судебная) Work Experience (Pre-graduation) Internship /</p>

Competence code	Competence descriptor	Previous courses/modules*	Subsequent courses/modules*
			Производственная (преддипломная) практика
PC-9	Capable of organizing and conducting general, targeted, and individual preventive measures to counter the spread of terrorist ideology and neo-Nazi ideas.	Administrative Law; Fundamentals of Military Training; Life Safety; Criminal Law;	Industrial Internship (investigative and prosecutorial);

\* - filled in based on the competency matrix

#### 4. COURSE WORKLOAD AND ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

The total workload of the course “International Public Law” is 4 credits (144 academic hours).

*Table 4.1. Types of academic activities during the periods of higher education programme mastering (full-time training) \**

Types of academic activities	Total, academic hours	Semester / Module			
		A	B	C	D
<i>Contact academic hours</i>	68	-	36	32	
Lectures	34		18	16	
Seminars (workshops/tutorials) (S)	34	-	18	16	
<i>Self-studies</i>	55	-	33	22	
<i>Evaluation and assessment (exam or pass/fail grading)</i>	21	-	3	18	
<b>Course Workload</b>	academic hours	<b>144</b>	-	<b>72</b>	<b>72</b>
	credits	<b>4</b>	-	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>

#### 5. COURSE CONTENTS

*Table 5.1. Course contents and academic activities types*

Course module title	Course module contents (topics)	Content	Academic activities types
<p>Section 1. Notion, scope and peculiarities of public international law. History of public international law. International legal science.</p>	<p>Topic 1.1 Concept, scope and specifics of international law. History of international law. Science of international law.</p>	<p>The concept of international law. The nature and characteristics of international law. Functions of international law. The subject of regulation of international law. The object of regulation of international law. International law, politics, and diplomacy. The system of international law. The mechanism of coercion in international law. International law and European law: their relationship. Public international law (PIL) and private international law (PIL). The emergence of international law. Periodization of the history of international law. Modern international law. The science of international law. Domestic science of international law</p>	<p>LC / S</p>
<p>Section 2. Sources of public international law. Basic principles of public international law. Correlation between public international law and national law systems. Law of international treaties.</p>	<p>Topic 2.1 Sources of international law. Peremptory principles of international law.</p>	<p>Sources of international law. The relationship between the systems of international law and domestic law. The concept of sources of international law. Norm-formation in international law. Legal sources and means for determining legal norms in accordance with Article 38 of the Statute of the International Court of Justice: international treaties, international custom, general principles of law, judicial decisions, doctrines. The relationship between international treaties and international custom. Peremptory norms (jus cogens). Decisions of international organizations. Sources of the so-called "soft" law. Unilateral acts of states giving rise to international obligations.</p> <p>The concept and classification of the basic principles of international law. The principle of sovereign equality of states. The principle of non-intervention in matters within the domestic jurisdiction of states. The principle of refraining from the threat or use of force in international relations. The principle of territorial integrity of states. The principle of the inviolability of state borders. The principle of the resolution of international disputes by peaceful means. The principle of the good faith fulfillment of obligations under international law (pacta sunt servanda). The principle of the duty of states to cooperate with each other. The principle of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms. The principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples.</p>	<p>LC / S</p>

Course module title	Course module contents (topics)	Content	Academic activities types
		<p>The concept of international treaty law and its sources. The concept of an international treaty. Classification of international treaties. Conclusion of an international treaty. Form and structure of an international treaty. Effect of an international treaty in time and space. Application of an international treaty. Interpretation of an international treaty. Reservations to international treaties. Conditions for the validity of an international treaty. Amendments to an international treaty and modification of an international treaty. Termination and suspension of an international treaty. Settlement of disputes under the law of international treaties. The impact of war on international treaties. Enforcement of international treaties. Treaties concluded by international intergovernmental organizations. Legislation on international treaties of the Russian Federation.</p>	
<p>Section 3. International legal personality. Status of an individual in public international law.</p>	<p>Topic 3.1 International legal personality. Recognition in international law.</p>	<p>The concept of international legal personality. The concept of a subject of international law. States are the main subjects of international law. Criteria of statehood (elements of a state). State sovereignty. State power. Equality of states. Independent states. Unitary and complex states. Fundamental rights and obligations of states. Permanently neutral states. Succession of states in relation to international treaties, state property, state archives and state debts. Succession of states and citizenship. Succession in connection with the dissolution of the USSR. Continuity of Russia. International recognition. Theories of state recognition. Recognition of governments. Recognition of a nation struggling for self-determination, a belligerent party, or a rebel party. Forms of recognition. International legal personality of nations and peoples. International legal personality of state-like entities. International intergovernmental organizations – derivative (secondary) subjects of international law. Non-state participants (actors) in international legal relations. The international legal personality of transnational corporations.</p>	<p>LC / S</p>

Course module title	Course module contents (topics)	Content	Academic activities types
Section 4. Domains (territories) in public international law.	Topic 4.1 Territories in international law. International legal regime of the Arctic, Antarctic, Caspian Sea.	Concept and types of spaces (territories). State territory. State borders. Territorial sovereignty and territorial supremacy. Acquisition and loss of state territory. Sovereignty over the airspace above state territory. Internal waters, archipelagic waters, territorial sea. Non-state spaces (territories) under the functional jurisdiction of coastal states: contiguous zone, exclusive economic zone (sui generis space), continental shelf. Non-state spaces (territories) with international regime: high seas, Area (common heritage of mankind), Antarctica. Legal regime of the Arctic. Concepts of "Arctic" and "Arctic states". Polar sectors of the Arctic states. Arctic Ocean and navigation regime in it. Rights of Arctic states to the subsoil of the Arctic Ocean. International legal regime of the Spitsbergen archipelago. International rivers. Legal regime of transboundary watercourses and international lakes outside navigation purposes. International legal status of the Caspian Sea.	LC / S
Section 5. Jurisdiction in public international law.	Topic 5.1 Jurisdiction in international law. Extradition in international law. Immunity from jurisdiction.	Territorial principle. Principle of citizenship. Principle of protection. Diplomatic protection. Universal jurisdiction. Concurrent jurisdiction. The question of extraterritorial application of national legislation. Immunity from jurisdiction. State immunity. Diplomatic immunity. Consular immunity.	LC / S
Section 6. Pacific settlement of international disputes.	Topic 6.1 Means of peaceful settlement of disputes.	The concept of "international dispute." The duty to peacefully resolve international disputes. Means of peacefully resolving international disputes. Diplomatic means of resolving disputes between states. Consultations. Good offices and mediation. Investigative and conciliation procedures. International arbitration. Judicial resolution of interstate disputes. Compulsory jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice. Advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice. Dispute resolution by international organizations.	LC / S
Section 7. Responsibility in public international law.	Topic 7.1 International legal responsibility. Criminal liability in international law.	The concept of international legal responsibility. The institution of international legal responsibility and its sources. Grounds for international legal responsibility. International offenses. Circumstances precluding the wrongfulness of an act. Types and forms of international legal responsibility.	LC / S

Course module title	Course module contents (topics)	Content	Academic activities types
		Implementation of international legal responsibility. International liability for harmful consequences of actions not prohibited by international law. Responsibility for serious breaches of obligations arising from a peremptory norm of general international law. Individual responsibility for international crimes. International Military Tribunal (Nuremberg). International Military Tribunal for the Far East (Tokyo). International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda. International Criminal Court (ICC).	
Section 8. International institutional law.	Topic 8.1 International organizations: general issues. The United Nations. Regional international organizations.	History of international organizations (from administrative unions to the League of Nations). Concept and sources of law of international intergovernmental organizations. Concept of intergovernmental organizations and their classification. Procedure for the establishment and termination of international intergovernmental organizations. Constituent acts of international intergovernmental organizations. Legal nature of international intergovernmental organizations. Membership in international intergovernmental organizations. Issues of succession. Limitation of membership rights. Non-members and their status in international organizations. Competence and functions of international intergovernmental organizations. Organs of international intergovernmental organizations and their powers. Actions ultra vires. Immunities and privileges of international intergovernmental organizations, legal relations with the host state. Decision-making by international intergovernmental organizations. Internal law of international organizations. Rule-making by international intergovernmental organizations.	LC / S
Section 9. Law of external relations.	Topic 9.1 Diplomatic law. Consular law	Diplomatic law, codification, sources. State bodies of foreign relations. Composition and functions of the diplomatic mission. The beginning and termination of diplomatic relations. The diplomatic corps. The doyen (dean). Immunities and privileges of the diplomatic mission and its staff. Special mission. Sources. Legal status. Representation of states to international organizations of a	LC / S

Course module title	Course module contents (topics)	Content	Academic activities types
		universal character. Sources. Legal status of the mission and its staff.	
Section 10. International security law. International nuclear law.	Topic 10.1 The concept of international security. The role of the UN in ensuring international security. Disarmament.	The concept of international security law. Universal security. Prohibition of the threat or use of force under the UN Charter. Legal consequences of violating the prohibition on the use of force. Definition of aggression. International legal means of preventing the use of force (ius contra bellum). Exceptions to the prohibition on the use of force based on the right of self-defense (Article 51 of the UN Charter) and Chapter VII of the UN Charter. Collective security under the UN Charter. The role of the UN Security Council in maintaining international peace and security. UN General Assembly Resolution "Uniting for Peace". Peacekeeping operations. The concept of peacebuilding. Chapter VIII of the UN Charter - regional security. Arms control and disarmament.	LC / S
Section 11. International law of the Sea.	Topic 11.1 The concept of international law of the sea. International legal regime of maritime spaces.	Codification and progressive development of the international law of the sea. Maritime spaces. Regime of internal (sea) waters. Concept and regime of the territorial sea. Innocent passage. Legal regime of ports and their waters. Contiguous zone. Archipelagic waters. Concept and regime of the exclusive economic zone. Regime of the high seas. Concept and regime of the continental shelf. Legal status of the seabed beyond the continental shelf (Area). Rights of land-locked states to access the sea and to freedom of transit. International straits. International canals. International legal regime of enclosed or semi-enclosed seas. International legal regime of scientific research of the World Ocean. International legal protection of the World Ocean from pollution. International legal aspects of ensuring safety of navigation. IMO. Seabed Authority. International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea.	LC / S
Section 12. International air law. International law of Outer Space.	Topic 12.1 Concept and sources of international air law. International legal regulation of the activities of states in Outer Space.	The concept of international air law. The scope of international air law. Sources of international air law. Fundamental principles of international air law. International flights within state territory. Flights over the high seas, international straits, and archipelagic waters. International air traffic. Legal status of	LC / S

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		aircraft and crew. Assistance to and by aircraft. International aviation organizations. ICAO. Liability in international air law.	
Section 13. International economic law. Law of the WTO.	Topic 13.1 The concept of international economic law. Law of the World Trade Organization.	International economic law: concept, subject of regulation, and scope. International economic law and the "new international economic order." Sources of international economic law. Principles of international economic law: the principle (regime) of non-discrimination, the principle (regime) of most-favored-nation status, and the principle of national treatment. International economic law, reciprocity, and fairness. International economic law, the right to development and sustainable development. International trade law. GATT and the WTO. Establishment of the WTO. Competence and main functions. Principles of international trade law. Dispute resolution within the WTO.	LC / S
Section 14. International humanitarian law (law of armed conflicts — <i>ius in bello</i> ).	Topic 14.1 The concept of international humanitarian law. Limitation of the ways and methods of warfare and protection of the victims of armed conflicts.	The concept of international humanitarian law (IHL). Codification of IHL. Sources of IHL. Geneva Law, Hague Law. Principles of IHL. The Martens Clause. The scope of IHL. Types of armed conflicts covered by IHL. International armed conflicts. Non-international armed conflicts. Parties to armed conflicts. Parties to armed conflicts and third states. Law of neutrality. International legal status of participants in armed conflicts. International legal protection of victims of armed conflicts. International legal protection of civilian objects. Prohibited means and methods of warfare.	LC / S
Section 15. International legal means for countering terrorism. International protection of human rights when combating terrorism.	Topic 15.1 The concept of international terrorism. Protecting human rights while countering terrorism.	History of lawmaking in the field of combating international terrorism. The problem of defining the concept of "international terrorism." The problem of adopting the Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism. The prohibition of terrorism in IHL. UN bodies and mechanisms to combat international terrorism. International conventions on combating international terrorism. Regional conventions on combating international terrorism. Russia's contribution to the fight against nuclear terrorism. The fight	LC / S

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		<p>against terrorism within the CIS and SCO. Russian legislation on countering terrorism. The problem of protecting human rights in the context of the threat of international terrorism. Explain the possibility of limiting human rights and freedoms in the interests of ensuring public safety and countering terrorism. Areas of interstate cooperation to protect human rights in the context of the fight against international terrorism. The role of the UN in ensuring human rights in the context of the fight against international terrorism. The essence of the Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy (GCTS) Action Plan in the context of human rights protection (Area IV). Activities of the Special Rapporteur on the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism. Provisions of UN General Assembly Resolution 60/158 of 16 December 2006 "Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism" Protection of human rights in the context of the fight against international terrorism within the framework of the OSCE.</p>	

\* - to be filled in only for **full**-time training; *LC* - lectures; *LW* - lab work; *S* - seminars.

## 6. CLASSROOM EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS

Table 6.1. Classroom equipment and technology support requirements

Type of academic activities	Classroom equipment	Specialised educational / laboratory equipment, software, and materials for course study (if necessary)
Lecture	Classroom for lectures, equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams), Chrome
Lab	Classroom for lab work, group and individual consultations, evaluation and assessment, equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams),

Type of academic activities	Classroom equipment	Specialised educational / laboratory equipment, software, and materials for course study  (if necessary)
		Chrome
Seminars	Classroom for seminars, group and individual consultations, evaluation and assessment, equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams), Chrome
Computer classroom	Computer classroom for academic activity, group and individual consultations, evaluation and assessment, equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, 30 personal computers, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams), Chrome
Self-studies Classroom	Classroom for Self-studies, equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams), Chrome
Courtroom	Classroom for court hearing simulation equipped with a set of specialized furniture; a set of devices including portable multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection.	Multimedia projector, laptop, projection screen, stable wireless Internet connection. Software: Office 365 (MS Office, MS Teams), Chrome

\* The premises for students' self-studies are subject to **MANDATORY** mention

## 7. RESOURCES RECOMMENDED FOR COURSE STUDY

### *Main reading (sources):*

1. Akehurst's modern introduction to international law / ed. P. Malanczuk. – 7th ed. – London: Routledge, 1997
2. Crawford J. Brownlie's Principles of Public International Law (9th Edition). - Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2019
3. Shaw M.N. International law. - Cambridge university press, 2016

### *Additional (optional) reading (sources):*

1. Cologne Commentary on Space Law - Outer Space Treaty. / Eds. Stephan Hobe, Bernhard Schmidt-Tedd, Kai-Uwe Schrogl. - BWV Berliner Wissenschafts-Verlag, 2017

2. Denza E. Diplomatic Law. Commentary on the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations. Fourth Edition. - Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016
3. Fassbender B., Traisbach K. The limits of Human Rights. - Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2020
4. Herdegen M. Principles of international economic relations. - Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016
5. International Humanitarian Law and International Human Rights Law / Edited by Orna Ben-Naftali. - Cambridge University Press, 2011
6. Megret F., Alston P. The United Nations and Human Rights. A critical appraisal. - Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2020
7. Merrills J., de Brabandere E. Merrills' International Dispute Settlement. 7th Edition. - Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2022
8. Rynjaert C. Jurisdiction in International Law. - Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015
9. Sassoli M. International Humanitarian Law. Rules, Controversies, and Solutions to Problems Arising in Warfare. - Edward Elgar Publishing, 2019
10. The Law of International Responsibility / Edited by James Crawford, Alain Pellet, and Simon Olleson. - Cambridge University Press, 2010.
11. The Legal Regime of the International Criminal Court: Essays in Honour of Professor Igor Blishchenko / Edited by: José Doria, Hans-Peter Gasser and M. Cherif Bassiouni. - Brill, 2009.

*Internet-(based) sources:*

1. Electronic libraries with access for RUDN students
  - RUDN Electronic library system <http://lib.rudn.ru/MegaPro/Web>
  - Electronic library system «University Library online» <http://www.biblioclub.ru>
  - Electronic Library «URAIT» <http://www.biblio-online.ru>
  - Electronic library system «Student. Consultant» [www.studentlibrary.ru](http://www.studentlibrary.ru)
  - Electronic library system «Lan» <http://e.lanbook.com/>
  - Electronic library system "Troitskyi most"
2. Databases and search engines:
  - Electronic Legal and Regulatory Documentation Fund <http://docs.cntd.ru/>
  - Search system Yandex <https://www.yandex.ru/>
  - Search system Google <https://www.google.ru/>
  - SCOPUS <http://www.elsevierscience.ru/products/scopus/>
  - search engine for full texts of scientific publications "Google Academy": <https://scholar.google.com/>.

*Training toolkit for self- studies to master the course \*:*

\* The training toolkit for self- studies to master the course is placed on the course page in the university telecommunication training and information system under the set procedure.

## **8. ASSESSMENT TOOLKIT AND GRADING SYSTEM\* FOR EVALUATION OF STUDENTS' COMPETENCES LEVEL UPON COURSE COMPLETION**

The assessment toolkit and the grading system\* to evaluate the competences formation level (competences in part) upon the course study completion are specified in the Appendix to the course syllabus.

\* The assessment toolkit and the grading system are formed on the basis of the requirements of the relevant local normative act of RUDN University (regulations / order).

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