

## **JUFN29, International Law and its Histories, 7.5 credits**

### *International Law and its Histories, 7,5 högskolepoäng*

#### **Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå**

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### **Details of approval**

The syllabus was approved by Faculty of Law Board of education at undergraduate and postgraduate levels on 2016-01-11 to be valid from 2016-01-11, spring semester 2016.

### **General Information**

*Language of instruction:* English

*Main field of studies*

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*Depth of study relative to the degree requirements*

A1N, Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

### **Learning outcomes**

For a Pass on the course, the student must have attained the stated learning outcomes in terms of knowledge and understanding, competence and skills and judgment and approach.

#### **Knowledge and understanding**

To pass the assessment, the student must be able to demonstrate knowledge about the history of international law and key critical theories and methods of research in legal history. Furthermore, the student must demonstrate understanding of the relationship between international law, historiography, institutions, the state and the individual, and the theories and methods of legal science.

#### **Competence and skills**

To pass the assessment, the student must be able to demonstrate competence and skills to

- identify and analyse narratives of the history of international law
- identify and independently use theories to analyse issues and material of the history of international law
- identify and process methodologically material of relevance to the history of international law
- use theories and methods covered by the course to formulate an individual contribution to the history of international law

### **Judgement and approach**

To pass the assessment, the student must be able to demonstrate a basic insight into the historical processes included in the history of international law. Furthermore, the student must demonstrate the ability to use relevant theories and methods of research to critically review existing historical narratives of international law. Finally, the students must demonstrate the ability to take a critical and reflexive position on their own stances in legal science.

### **Course content**

The course includes key segments of the history of international law that are placed in relation to historical processes and relations of international law that are not prominent in general historiography. The course highlights the following aspects of the history of international law:

- the relation between geographical centre and periphery
- the relation between institutions, states, subjects and objects
- tools of legal science for the analysis and construction of the history of international law

### **Course design**

The student is to attain the stated learning outcomes of knowledge, competence and skills through active participation in teaching, seminars and exercises, execution of an independent specialised project in the final stage of the course, and independent study of the required reading.

### **Assessment**

The assessment is based on an individual specialisation assignment in the form of a paper or, subject to an agreement with the examiner, a form conforming to the methods for historical narrative within the field of international law, such as archives, film or audio. A specialisation assignment in a form other than a paper must have the same scope and level of difficulty.

*Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.*

## Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with credit, Pass with distinction.

### **AB- Pass with Distinction**

The student must demonstrate a very good ability to identify and critically analyse the history of international law. The student must demonstrate a very good ability to identify material of the history of international law and subject it to independent analysis by means of the theoretical and methodological tools introduced by the course. The student must demonstrate a very good ability to independently execute a project in the history of international law.

### **BA- Pass with Credit**

The student must demonstrate a good ability to identify and critically analyse the history of international law. The student must demonstrate a good ability to identify material of the history of international law and subject it to independent analysis by means of the theoretical and methodological tools introduced by the course. The student must demonstrate a good ability to independently execute a project in the history of international law.

### **B- Pass**

The student must demonstrate the ability to identify and critically analyse the history of international law. The student must demonstrate the ability to identify material of the history of international law and subject it to independent analysis by means of the theoretical and methodological tools introduced by the course. The student must demonstrate the ability to independently execute a project in the history of international law.

### **U- Fail**

The student is unable to satisfy all the criteria for a grade of Pass.

## Entry requirements

Students on the Master of Laws programme must have passed semesters 1-4 of the programme and 30 credits from semesters 5 and 6. Furthermore, they must have passed the course LAGF01 International Law. International students must have passed an introductory course in international law corresponding to at least five weeks of full-time study (7.5 credits).

## Further information

The University views plagiarism as a very serious academic offence, and will take disciplinary action against students for any kind of attempted misconduct in connection with examinations and assessment. The penalty that may be imposed for this, and other unfair practice in examinations or assessments, includes suspension

from the University.

## Subcourses in JUFN29, International Law and its Histories

Applies from V16

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Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with credit, Pass with distinction