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International Law of territories

Academic Year: (2021 / 2022) Review date: 28-06-2021

Department assigned to the subject: International Law, Ecclesiastical Law and Philosophy of Law Department

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Type: Electives ECTS Credits: 3.0

Year: 1 Semester: 2

OBJECTIVES

General competences

GC1. Ability to understand the main factors involved in geopolitical and strategic analysis.

GC2. Ability to understand and analyze from a critical perspective the territorial dimension of the discourses and practices that guide international politics, as well as to contribute to the public debate about them and to deepen the values of democracy, dialogue, tolerance, social and environmental justice and peace.

GC3. Ability to understand and analyze national and international conflicts that have a territorial origin or influence and propose political strategies and instruments that can contribute to their resolution.

GC4. Ability to apply the theoretical and methodological knowledge of geopolitical and strategic studies to the analysis and resolution of cases and concrete empirical problems.

GC5. Ability to demonstrate critical thinking in the analytical arguments of their own and of others.

GC6. Ability to plan and carry out an autonomous research in the field of geopolitics and strategic studies.

GC7. Ability to communicate and present, in a clear, precise and rigorous manner, geopolitical and strategic reports to both specialized and non-specialized audiences.

Specific competences:

SC6. Ability to understand and use the graphic and cartographic representation techniques of geopolitical and strategic analysis.

SC7. Ability to understand and prepare reports of geopolitical and strategic nature according to the methods and specific techniques of this type of documents.

SC8. Ability to understand the main geopolitical problems and challenges of today's world and to identify the most relevant risks and threats to national and international security, as well as to analyze them and propose solutions and instruments to fight them.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

Introduction to the international law of spaces.

- Marine spaces under the jurisdiction of the State.
- International marine spaces and Common Heritage of Mankind.
- International Straits Law.
- International water courses Law.
- Polar spaces law.
- International Airspace Law.
- International Law of outer space.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

The training activities will consist of theoretical classes (AF1) and practical theoretical classes (AF3) on the basis of cases.

The methodology to be used is based on classroom presentations by the teacher (MD1), critical reading of recommended texts (MD2); and the resolution of practical cases in group (MD3)

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

The evaluation system consists of the assessment of the student's class participation (SE1) with a weight of 25%, a short individual essay (SE2) with another 25%, and the completion of a final exam (SE3) with a 50% assessment of the subject.

% end-of-term-examination:	50
% of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals):	50

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

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- FROEHLICH, A., (Ed) A fresh view on the outer space treaty, Springer, 2018
- LYALL, F., LARSE, P., Space law. A treatise, Routledge, 2018
- McINTYRE, O., Environmental protection of international watercourses under international law, Routledge, 2007
- NORDQUIST, M., UNCLOS 1982 COmmentary, , Brill, 2012

ADDITIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

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