**International Organisation**

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***COURSE AIMS AND INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES***

The course aims to offer a general overview of the international organisation phenomenon in its various aspects: rise of the phenomenon, founding instrument, international subjectivity, membership, the organic structure and functioning of the organs, acts, financing, privileges and immunities, withdrawal, dissolution and succession. In this context, special attention will be paid to the United Nations as an international organisation of universal and general character.

*Knowledge and understanding*

At the end of the course, students must be able to contextualise the international organisation phenomenon in today's development of inter- and trans-national relations; to understand the complex operation mechanism of the organs and the type of acts through which this activity takes place. Students will also be aware of the possible structural changes in the relations between States that such cooperation is able to determine, as well as the evolution, methods of establishment, extinction and succession of organisations, as well as the problems related to their subjectivity and capacity to act. With particular reference to the United Nations, students will gain insight into issues related to safeguarding international peace and security.

*Ability to apply knowledge and understanding*

At the end of the course, students will be able to evaluate the activity of international organizations in the context of multilateralism and the effectiveness of their acts in terms of international relations.

***COURSE CONTENT***

*For those who choose not to attend*

* Theoretical overview of the phenomenon of international organisations: establishment, membership, corporate relationship, structure, bodies, acts, subjectivity.
* The United Nations: membership, organs, acts, functions.
* WTO, OECD, IMF, the World Bank, NATO, OSCE, the Council of Europe.

*For those who choose to attend* (on a yearly basis)

Module 1 (Prof. Rinoldi)

The course will examine the structural aspects of the international organisation, governmental and non-governmental, in the light of the evolution of the “Community of Nations” e dei concetti di indipendenza, sovranità, diritti e responsabilità all’inizio del terzo millennio.

Module 2 (Prof. Megliani)

The course will examine the United Nations system with reference to the organisational structure, the functioning of its bodies and their main functions. In addition, specific attention will be paid to international financial institutions (IMF and World Bank).

***READING LIST***

*For non-attending students*:

U. Draetta, *Principi di diritto delle organizzazioni internazionali*, Giuffrè, Milano, 2020, ultima edizione.

U. Draetta-M. Fumagalli (a cura di), *Il Diritto delle organizzazioni internazionali*, Giuffrè, Milano, 2011, terza edizione, pp. 251 e seguenti.

B. Conforti-C. Focarelli, *The Law and Practice of the United Nations*, Nijhoff, Leiden/Boston 2016, pp. 1-155 (the volume is available in electronic format on the University library website).

*For students of the Faculty of Law the reading list is as follows:*

a) 8 ECTS credits:

U. Draetta, *Principi di diritto delle organizzazioni internazionali*, Giuffrè, Milano, 2020, ultima edizione.

U. Draetta-M. Fumagalli (a cura di), *Il Diritto delle organizzazioni internazionali*, Giuffrè, Milano, 2011, terza edizione, pp. 251 e seguenti

B. Conforti-C. Focarelli, *Le Nazioni Unite*, Wolters Kluwer, 2020, dodicesima edizione, pp. 1-175.

b) 6 ECTS credits:

U. Draetta, *Principi di diritto delle organizzazioni internazionali*, Giuffrè, Milano, 2020, terza edizione.

U. Draetta-M. Fumagalli (a cura di), *Il Diritto delle organizzazioni internazionali*, Giuffrè, Milano, 2011, terza edizione, pp. 251-345

B. Conforti-C. Focarelli, *Le Nazioni Unite*, Wolters Kluwer, 2020, dodicesima edizione, pp. 1-164.

*For students of the Faculty of Foreign Languages who divide the course in semesters, the reading list is as follows*:

U. Draetta, *Principi di diritto delle organizzazioni internazionali*, Giuffrè, Milano, 2020, terza edizione.

B. Conforti-C. Focarelli, *The Law and Practice of the United Nations*, Nijhoff, Leiden/Boston 2016, pp. 1-155 (the volume is available in electronic format on the University library website).

*For annual attending students*:

Lecture notes supplemented by materials indicated in class.

***TEACHING METHOD***

The course consists of classroom lectures that may be supplemented by seminars and conferences.

***ASSESSMENT METHOD AND CRITERIA***

The exam for non-attending students is oral and takes place on the official exam dates.

Attending students may divide the exam into two parts: a test on the first part at the end of the first semester, and a test on the second part at the end of the second semester. It is not possible to divide the exam into two official exam sessions The exam will be based on the lecture notes and the supplementary material.

During the exam, students will have to demonstrate their knowledge of the general aspects of the subject, to be able to make cross references between the various specific themes and to highlight the critical issues that emerged in the discussion. The final assessment will also be based on students’ argumentative skills, correct terminology and clarity of presentation.

***NOTES AND PREREQUISITES***

A study of the manual by Conforti, *Diritto internazionale,* Editoriale Scientifica, Naples (latest ed.) is required for students who have not previously taken the exam of International Law.

Knowledge of English and French is required to be assigned a degree thesis.

In case the current Covid-19 health emergency does not allow frontal teaching, remote teaching and assessment will be carried out following procedures that will be promptly notified to students.

Further information can be found on the lecturer's webpage at http://docenti.unicatt.it/web/searchByName.do?language=ENG, or on the Faculty notice board.