



UNIVERSITY OF SONORA
Central Region Unit
School of Economic and Administrative Sciences
Department of Economy
Degree in Business and International Commerce

Identification Data

Subject: International Law and Commerce	Formative pillar: Specialization
Teaching-learning process: Class-workshop	Pre-requirement: None
Hours per course: 4 (2t-2p)	Post-requirement: None
Nature of the subject: Elective	Credit Hours: 6

General Objective

The intention is to offer students ample knowledge within the sector of international public law, analyzing main commercial challenges at international level, as well as the figures adopted in order to efficiently regulate modern commercial relations at the beginning of the 21st century.

Proficiency Units

INTRODUCTION

1. The concept of International Law.
2. Fundamentals of the validity of international law.
3. Functions of international law in regard to standards and structuring.
4. The States of the world as a legal community and international law as an objective order of values.

INTERNATIONAL LAW SUBJECTS

1. Legal capacity in international law.
2. States.

LAW SOURCES

1. Sources of law: concept and types.
2. International law treaties.
3. Customary International Law.
4. General principles of international law.
5. Foundation of rights and duties through unilateral acts.
6. Equity.

7. Making law through international organizations and the jurisprudence of International Courts.
8. Determination of international law precepts.
9. The relationship between International Law and Domestic Law.

SOVEREIGNTY OF THE STATES

1. Territoriality and state sovereignty.
2. State territory, acquisition of territories and internationalized territories.
3. Personal jurisdiction and nationality.
4. Sovereignty as a legal concept.

INTERNATIONAL LAW OF THE SEA AND AIR

1. International Law of the Sea.
2. Outer Space.

INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

1. Development of International Environmental Law.
2. International Law Treaties for Environmental Protection.

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS

1. Development of International Economic Law.
2. Property protection and treaties for the protection of investments.
3. International law of global commercial relations and international traffic of capital.

RELEVANT SUBJECTS WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL LAW

1. Sovereignty of the national states *versus* global system in the 21st century.
2. Electronic hiring.
3. Trans-border movement of genetically modified organisms.
4. Challenges and projections of international commerce law in a time of globalization.
5. Legal aspects of the execution of unique monetary policies in regard to the euro with special emphasis on Spain.
6. E-commerce and electronic transfer of funds in Mexico.
7. Negotiable instruments in Mexico and compared law.
8. Treatment to trans-border insolvency by the Commercial Insolvency Mexican Law.
9. The commercial company and technological advances.
10. Solutions of conflicts regarding the TLCAN.
11. Mexico and the international protection of copyright

Teaching Strategies

Real case analysis and review
Case simulation
Interviews to specialists
Group discussions

Evaluation and accreditation criteria

- Average of three partial exams: 60%
- Participation in class activities: 20%
- Presentation of individual and group projects: 20%

Bibliography and other teaching-learning resources

WITKER Velázquez, Jorge, (2003). **Introduction al Derecho Económico, 5ª. Ed.**, McGraw Hill, México.

KOZOLCHYK, Boris, (1996). **El Derecho Comercial ante el Libre Comercio y el Desarrollo Económico**, Ed., McGraw Hill, México.

GOMEZ-ROBLEDO, Verduzco, Alonso, (2003). **Temas Selectos del Derecho Internacional, 4ta Ed., IIJ UNAM**, México.

HERDEGEN, Matthias (2005). **Derecho Internacional Público**. IIJ UNAM, México.

QUINTANA Adriano, Elvia Arcelia (coordinadora) (2006). **Panorama Internacional de Derecho Mercantil**, Ed. IIJ UNAM, México.

SZÉKELY, Alberto (1989). **Instrumentos Fundamentales del Derecho Internacional Público**, Ed. IIJ UNAM, México.

Profile of Professor responsible of teaching the subject:

Bachelor's Degree in Law, International Commerce or related degree, preferably with a Master's degree.

Professional experience in international business.

Teaching experience: Two year minimum.

Teaching strategy:

Facility in the performance of the teacher-learning process

Facility in group and individual communication with students.

Ability to use technology and didactic techniques (computer, image projection, projectors, overhead slides, slides, videos, etc.)

Accredit teacher training process indicated by the institution.

Others: Proficiency in English (especially in the four basic skills).