

**Course Outline**

Course: LAWS 5200 F/ INAF 5507  
International Economic Law: Regulation of Trade & Investment

Term: Fall 2014

Prerequisites: Open only to students in their master's year who have not studied international economic law.

Class Information: Day & Time - Tuesdays, 11:35 AM – 2:25 PM  
Room: **Please check Carleton Central for current time and room location)**

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## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This seminar offers an opportunity to engage with key concepts, issues and debates in the field of regulation of global trade and investment from an interdisciplinary perspective. It begins with an introduction to the field, followed by study of intellectual foundations and histories of the contemporary international economic system before moving on to specific topics, rules and issues. Throughout the course, emphasis is placed on understanding the role of law in regulating international economic interactions. The selected materials will enable students to think critically about the ways in which the rules, institutions, policies and processes associated with international trade and investment are shaped, to ask questions of fairness and justice in specific contexts, and to evaluate ways in which IEL reconfigures State sovereignty. The seminar will conclude with a 'stakeholder meeting', an in class role-play exercise that will allow students to engage with a real dispute that involves various issues discussed during the term. This course does not presume a prior knowledge of economics or trade policy.

## REQUIRED TEXTS

Simon Lester, *et al.*, *World Trade Law: Texts, Materials & Commentary* (Oxford: Hart Pub., 2013) Second edition.

Other required material will be available on CU Learn/ on reserve in the library.

## CLASS FORMAT

Seminar style presentation and discussion of assigned readings guided by questions.

## EVALUATION

**(All components must be completed in order to get a passing grade)**

Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Department and of the Faculty Dean. This means that grades submitted by the instructor may be subject to revision. No grades are final until they have been approved by the Dean.

Class participation	10%	Ongoing
Paper topic, outline and preliminary bibliography	10%	Due on October 14
Presentation and circulating questions in advance on assigned readings	10%	TBA
Participation in class exercise – ‘stakeholder meeting’	10%	December 2
Final Paper	60%	Due on December 2

### NOTE:

Details for assignments, expectations and submission guidelines, as well as readings assigned for each week are available on CULearn.

## CLASS SCHEDULE

**Session 1 (September 9): Introduction and Overview**

**Session 2 (September 16): What is Int’l Economic Law?**

**Session 3 (September 23): Trade – Histories & Exclusions**

**Session 4 (September 30): Institutions – The WTO**

**Session 5 (October 7): Dispute Settlement**

**Session 6 (October 14): Rule-Making**

**Session 7 (October 21): The International/ Domestic Interface**

**October 28: No Class (Reading Break)**

**Session 8 (November 4): Regulating International Investment**

**Session 9 (November 11): Case Study 1 – Agriculture & Food Security**

**Session 10 (November 18): Case Study 2 – China**

**Session 11 (November 25): Case Study 3 – Land**

**Session 12 (December 2): ‘Stakeholder Meeting’**