**BITS PILANI, DUBAI CAMPUS**

**ACADEMIC – UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES DIVISION**

**SECOND SEMESTER 2021 – 2022**

**Course Handout (Part – II)**

**Date: 01.02.2024**

*In addition to Part I (General Handout for all courses appended to the Time Table) this portion further gives specific details regarding the course.*

Course No. : **HSS F252** **(303)**

Course Title : **International Law**

Instructor In-charge **:** **Dr. Shamshad A. Khan**

**Scope and Objective of the Course:**

As the world has become interconnected and interdependent politically, economically and technologically, the subject: the International law- assumes much significance. Studying international law will allow students to develop insights into the global legal system, how it has evolved, how it is implemented, the processes and procedures involved, and some of the emerging areas of conflict and challenge for international law. Students will learn important issues about international law related to trade and finance, war and peace, the high seas, outer space, digital space, and environment, such as patent law, certification, rule of origin, human rights violations, climate change treaty, sanctions and emerging issues in international law.

**Course Pre/Co- requisite** (if any)**& Catalogue / Bulletin Description:** *Given in the* Bulletin *2023 – 2024*

**Study Material:**

**Text Book:**

Cali, Basak, International Law for International Relations, Oxford University Press, 2010.

**Reference Books :**

(a) Rochester, J, Between Peril and Promise: The Politics of International Law, Sage Publications, 2012.

(b) Klabbers J., International Law, Cambridge University Press., 2013.

**Course Plan:**

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| Lec. No. | Learning Objectives | Topics to be covered | Ref. to Text Book (Chapter) |
| 1-3 | To disseminate the whole range of knowledge regarding the International law | Introduction: What is International Law and how it is impacting people, flow of technology, trade in goods and services. | TB Ch.4, RB 1, Ch.1 |
| 4-8 | To discuss different theories of International law and their key arguments. | Theories of International Law: Realism, Idealism, and Other Schools | TB Chapter 2, RB1, Ch.2 |
| 9-10 | To analyse the role of various agencies/organizations and processes involved in making of International Law. | International Law: Who makes it, Process of making of International Laws, International Institutions role in the making of International law | TB Chapter 5, RB2 |
| 11-14 | To know the origin and making of International Treaties based on International Law | Law of Treaties, Ratification, Reservation and Withdrawal process. | TB Ch5 ,Class Notes |
| 15-19 | To know the role of International Tribunals and laws governing its functioning. | International Courts and Tribunals, how they are formed? Who can bring the case to an international Court? | TB Ch 8, RB 2 Ch 8 |
| 20-24 | To know how the State is viewed from the International Law perspective. | State and International Law, recognition of states, statehood, sovereignty. | TB Ch 9 |
| 25-28 | To know the concept of Use of force in International Law | Explain the concept of force in War, Self-Défense, Terrorism, Human intervention | TB Ch 10, RB 2 Ch 10 |
| 29-30 | To know Law of Seas and Law of Air space | Evolution of Law of the Seas and Air space, High Seas as global commons, Law related to Freedom of Navigation on High Seas and Airspace. | RB 3, Ch13 |
| 31-32 | To Know laws governing International Trade, Patents, dispute resolution mechanisms related to violation of Trade and patents | Laws Governing International Trade, Patents, transfer of technology, Investment protection. | TB Ch 15, RB 2, Ch 15 |
| 33-34 | To know laws related to Cyber Security | Digital sovereignty and International Cyber laws, data theft and breach of privacy. | Class handout |
| 35-36 | To understand International Law related to Environment. | International Environmental law. International Climate Change treaty, Law to protect Biosphere. | RB 1 Ch 8 |
| 37 | To study law related to human rights | International Law related to treatment of “aliens”, non-citizens. | RB 1 Ch 5 |
| 38-39 | To connote the meaning of International Criminal Law. | International Law related to War crimes, Extradition, deportation | RB 2, Ch.12 |
| 40 | To Study functions and jurisdiction of Local Court and International Courts | Domestic Courts and Its relationship with International Law | RB 2 Chapter16 |
| 41 | To Study the law related to International Sanctions. | Legal aspects of International Sanctions | RB 2, Ch 9 |
| 42 | To study International Law and Global Governance | Rule of Law in International Politics: Use and abuse | RB 1, Ch 9 |

**Evaluation Scheme:**

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| **S. No.** | **Component** | **Duration** | **Marks** | **Date & Time** | **Nature of Component** |
| 1. | Mid-Sem | 90 minutes | 25 | 2/4/24 AN | Closed Book |
| 2. | Quiz | 10 minutes | 10 | 06.03.24 W8 | Closed Book |
| 3. | Assignment I (on the spot Essay on a given topic) | 50 minutes | 15 | TBA in consultation with the students | Open Book |
| 4. | Assignment II (Presentation and Participation) | 10 | 10 | Throughout the Semester | Open Book |
| 5. | Comprehensive Exam | 3 Hours | 40 | 06/06/24 AN | Closed Book |

**Mid-Sem Grading:** Mid-sem grading will be displayed after two evaluation components. (Refer Academic calendar for schedule).

**Note:** A student will be likely to get “NC”, if he / she doesn’t appear / appear for the sake of appearing for the evaluation components / scoring zero in pre-compre total.

**Makeup and Attendance policies:** Make-ups are not available for any of the evaluation components.

**Attendance:** Every student is expected to be responsible for regularity of his/her attendance in classrooms and laboratories, to appear in scheduled tests and examinations and fulfill all other tasks assigned to him/her in every course. A student should have a minimum of 60% of attendance in a course to be eligible to appear for the Comprehensive Examination in that course. For the students under the purview of Academic Counseling Board (ACB), the Board shall prescribe the minimum attendance requirement on a case-to-case basis. Attendance in the course will be a deciding factor in judging the seriousness of a student which may be directly/ indirectly related to grading.

**General timings for consultation:** Chamber consultation is possible on every Monday from12.30 AM to 1.30 PM in 148, Wing-A, 1st Floor, Extn: 220

**General instructions:** Students should come prepared for classes and carry the prescribed textbook (s) or material(s) as advised by the Course Faculty to the class.

**Notices:** All notices concerning the course will be displayed on the notice boards of the **HSS Department**

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