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УНИВЕРЗИТЕТ НА ЈУГОИСТОЧНА ЕВРОПА
SOUTH EAST EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY

Study program **International Legal and Political Studies - International Law (120 ECTS)**

Faculty Institute Max van der Stoel

Study Cycle Second Cycle (Postgraduate)

ECTS 120

Description of the program

This program involves a multidisciplinary approach to broadening and deepening, i.e. differentiation of education within the legal-political-economic and legal studies in the second cycle.

These are studies that are built from 3 modules that fall within the scope of contemporary international legal studies.

Modules that are provided are:

1. **International law;**
2. **International Relations;**
3. **International Business Law;**

At a time of world globalization, which is the main driver of global integration processes, it is crucial to recognize the importance of these international flows which are representatives of foreign and internal drivers of public policies and programs which dynamics are based on international law and international relations. These legal and political relations are implemented in international business that builds alliances and makes conflicts within national and international frameworks. Given the growing importance of these areas and trends to our country and its involvement in these global integrations, the program is designed to have the capacity to respond to these emerging needs of the country.

Career

After completion of this study program students will be able on the basis of acquired knowledge and skills to work in the national institutions that implement the law, especially international law, international business law and international relations, and international institutions and organizations, which require this kind of professional education and skills from their staff. Students that will focus on international law have the possibility of continuing education in the national legal system and practicing of the national law.

Learning outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

- Shows knowledge and understanding of the scientific field of study (or studies), which builds on the first cycle, using appropriate methodologies to solve complex problems, in a systematically and creative way, which provides a basis or opportunity for originality in developing and / or application of autonomous ideas in the context of the research;
- Ability to use an expanded and deepened knowledge;
- Displays a high level of professional competence in one or more specific scientific fields; has knowledge of one or

more subject areas in given scientific fields, based on renowned international scientific research in this field.

Applying knowledge and understanding

Ability to critically, independently and creatively solve problems with a certain originality in new or unfamiliar environments in a multidisciplinary context, related field of study;

Making judgement

- Ability to synthesize and integrate knowledge;
- Ability to deal with complex issues systematically and creatively to evaluate even with incomplete or limited information, to include personal, social and ethical responsibilities in the application of knowledge and assessment;
- Ability to assess and to select scientific theories, methodologies, tools and general skills of subject areas, and setting up new solutions and analyzes the scientific basis.

Communication skills

- Ability to share findings and proposals with rational argument and to rely on them as a professional, and ability to share knowledge with lay people clearly and unambiguously;
- Taking responsibility for considerable and shared outcomes; running and initiating activities.

Learning skills

- Ability to recognize personal needs for further knowledge and ability to act independently and autonomously in acquiring new knowledge and skills in the social scale;
- Ability to take responsibility for further professional development and improvement.

List of courses

Semester 1

- [6.0 ECTS] **Contemporary Issues of International Law**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Theory of International Trade**
- [6.0 ECTS] **International Relations and Globalization**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Elective course - foreign language 1**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Free elective course 1**

Semester 2

- [6.0 ECTS] **Research Methodology**
- [6.0 ECTS] **International Institutions**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Humanitarian Law**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Elective course - foreign language 2**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Free elective course 2**

Semester 3

- [6.0 ECTS] **International Criminal Law**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Diplomatic and Consular Law**
- [6.0 ECTS] **International Human Rights**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Elective course 1**
- [6.0 ECTS] **Elective course 2**

Semester 4

- [30.0 ECTS] **Master Thesis**

Description of courses

Core courses

- **Contemporary Issues of International Law**

The purpose of this course is to present the international public law, which covers the principles and rules that govern relations between states and interactions between them, and between the States with other international actors. This course is designed to give students a global understanding of the rules governing international relations and, ultimately, to provide practical skills of legal reasoning and arguing, researching and writing on international affairs.

- **Theory of International Trade**

- International trade and economics; - International trade issues; - Mobility factors; - Various national trade policies; - Theory of International Trade (offer); - Theory of International Trade (demand). - Factors increasing and technological changes; - Trade and boosting the economy in developing countries; - Transport costs and the theory of location; - Commercial policy (customs tariff, exchange controls, state trading, price discrimination and cartel, economic integration); - International allocation, taxation and immigration; - Procedure of adjustment; - Turnover of capital (short-term and long-term capital); - International monetary arrangements;

- **International Relations and Globalization**

The course offers a historical review of the development of the initial international relations and ideas of international relations from the early 20th century and their analysis by the daily functioning of the international organizations, to the latest trends in international relations and globalization.

- **Research Methodology**

The course objective is to present research methodology through the analyses of how methods can be applied to research problem, how can one make a research project outline as a student, to critically address the relationship between theoretical framework, methodological approach, research question and analyzes. The essential purpose is to enable the students to independently develop research projects

- **International Institutions**

This course covers theoretical issues in relation to international institutions of universal and regional levels, their historical development, functions and role of responsibilities. Special attention is paid to the question of their role in solving collective problems and issues in global politics. The focus is placed on their role in the area of peace and security, economic development, human rights, democracy and the rule of law. The focus is on the main bodies within the institutions responsible for implementing these goals.

- **Humanitarian Law**

Throughout the course, participants will be guided by the overarching question: "Is war amenable to regulation by law and, if it is, to what extent and in what way is it so amenable?" Participants will also acquaint themselves with the historical and conceptual backgrounds to man's efforts to control belligerent conduct. The course then analyses the law concerning armed hostilities, including its fundamental principles and specific prohibitions. Emphasis is placed on the process through which general normative propositions translate themselves into concrete rules and standards. Participants discuss victim protection and assistance, as well as the application of international humanitarian law in civil wars. A review of various means of implementation concludes the course's substantive component.

- **International Criminal Law**

The course offers analyses and looks at the history and background of international criminal law: developments in Versailles after the First World War, the Nuremberg and Tokyo after the Second World War, in relation to the Balkans and Rwanda in the Cold War and since. The course focuses on four core crimes defined in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (war crimes, crimes against humanity, genocide and aggression), as well as recent discussions about the crime of torture and terrorism. The course will study the major parts of international criminal law by institutional arrangements - the ICC and ad hoc and "hybrid" tribunals - and procedural issues, including immunity. Also, investigates the matter and complicity in international crimes by corporations.

- **Diplomatic and Consular Law**

The course provides an overview of the diplomatic and consular rights law, its historical development, practice cases concerning the application of these rules, the scope of diplomatic and consular agents who practice diplomacy, issues surrounding the implementation of the diplomatic and consular power in national systems. The course also analyze and study the principles of the international law, their application and the application and impact of the same on interstate political relations, and the use of diplomatic relations in international conflicts. The course will

concentrate on the formal conditions for the functioning of these two professions (diplomat and consul) based on diplomatic and consular law.

- **International Human Rights**

This course offers a philosophical, legal and political perspectives of human rights. After a brief historical introduction to the international law of human rights, the course investigates the international human rights treaties, courts and institutions. Next, it turns its attention to human rights topics such as the theory- covering some contemporary philosophical theories of human rights. The last section examines the human rights problems and controversies, such as economic and social rights, group rights and cultural relativism.

- **Master Thesis**

This module enables students to transfer their skills and knowledge to research and make more complex task of Master-Thesis. The module is designed to be fully practical and students to acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to approach writing the paper. The module has unique return result-to enable students to write the master thesis with minimal difficulties, and with maximum efficiency. The course aims to improve research techniques and style of writing paper, taking account to stop illegal means, such as plagiarism and infringement of copyright, which are prohibited by the Statute of SEEU.

Elective courses

- **Advanced English Language and Terminology 1**

Advanced English Language and Terminology 1 is designed for students who are already proficient users of English. It is aimed towards further improvement of all four language skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking. Topics and terminology to be discussed in the course are related to International Law.

- **Advanced English Language and Terminology 2**

Advanced English Language and Terminology 2 is designed for students who have already completed the course Advanced English Language and Terminology 1. It is aimed towards further improvement of English. The topics and terminologies to be discussed in the course are related to Agencies and other European Union Bodies.

- **Advanced English Language and Terminology 3**

Advanced English Language and Terminology 3 is designed for students who have already completed the course Advanced English Language and Terminology 2. Since this is the highest level of English students will search and discuss about the topics and materials taken from the Central Library of the European Union available on-line, which is open to specialists and researchers who wish to consult its works on European integration.

- **German Language 1**

This course introduces students to the basic structures of the German language. The participants will develop their communicative competence in reading, listening, speaking and writing. The course will enable the students to carry out simple daily conversations in shopping and restaurant and to talk about the past. The students will be introduced to the listening strategies and will be able to get meaning of the cultural information from reading simple texts. Also, phonetic peculiarities will be practiced in communicative contexts.

- **German Language 2**

This course is designed for students with previous knowledge. In this course, we will go beyond the simple communication, so that participants can discuss in more complex sentence structures their family and friends, about plans for the future and the past. The students will learn the declension of adjectives. They will practice reading and listening techniques and improve their pronunciation in special phonetics exercises. They will also write first coherent texts.

- **German Language 3**

In this course, more complex structures and communicative competence in the German language are taught. The students will be able to express their wishes and intentions and to describe temporal sequences. They can communicate in everyday situations (such as housing, travel, orientation, relations) communicate. More sophisticated oral and written texts will be the main objective of the lesson. The students will get information about the culture from authentic materials (newspaper articles, short literary texts). The writing skill will be practiced through writing simple texts.

- **Rhetoric**

During its long history of 2,500 years, rhetoric was used to indicate many different things; but rhetoric nowadays is considered as the art of persuasion through language. Rhetoric marks the way that an individual is linked to a particular theme or idea in order to convince the others. Rhetoric is characterized by several distinguishing features.

- **Methodology of Teaching**

The aim of the course is to introduce the students to the basic teaching approaches and methods. They are expected to gain knowledge and skills in order to be able to apply the active educational tools. The course also offers development, learning and teaching as concepts and basic practices that allow teachers to teach about the development of thinking. Throughout this course, students will gain both theoretical background and entirety of strategies that will enable them to reflect and develop both their own and their students' critical thinking.

- **Multilingualism and multiculturalism**

The purpose of this subject will be multilingualism in multicultural societies as a social phenomenon. This phenomenon is massive in the world. During the lectures, more precise terms such as monoculturalism and multiculturalism will be considered. The term 'linguistic nationalism' has at least two forms of this nationalism, which collide with each other: for the leaders of the most powerful countries nationalism means expansion, and for minorities it takes the form of defiance and struggle for the affirmation of identity, despite such pressure. The emphasis during the program will be multiculturalism in education. In the schools curricula consists of contents from different cultures.

- **Selected Chapters of Advanced Topics in IT Applications for Preparing a Scientific Paper**

The aim of this subject is: - To display the technical elements, the structure of the text and design of a scientific research. - To enable students to acquire advanced knowledge and skills from selected advanced chapters of IT applications that will be needed in preparation of the scientific and research paper. - Practical application of these objectives in preparing student's individual research paper.

- **Selected Chapters of Advanced Applications for Statistical Data Processing**

The aim of this subject is: - To display the technical elements in the field of statistics: organizing, processing, comparing through analysis and publication of data. - To enable students to acquire advanced knowledge and skills from selected advanced chapters of the applications for statistical data processing. - Practical application of these objectives in statistical processing of data obtained from questionnaires, reports, scientific studies and other documents.

- **Professional Communication**

The course is focused on the development of those communication skills that are essential for effective functioning in the professional world. Students will study the process for analysis of different communication situations, and will accordingly comprehend them. Among the themes that will be covered are communication in organization, interpersonal and group communication, oral presentations, interviews for employment, professional business letters and interpersonal skills including group dynamics and teamwork.

- **Foreign Policy Analysis**

The theoretical part of the contents of this course will focus on the ways and the means of communication between states, media influence public opinion and foreign policy in creating of influence on various internal and external stakeholders in focusing on certain foreign policy issues. The practical part will be focused on analysis, open discussions and forecasts specific events in development.

- **European Union Law**

Historical review of the development of EU law from the initial ideas of European integration to basic agreements (the ECCS, EEC and Euratom, Maastricht, Amsterdam, Nice and Lisbon) and analysis by the daily functioning of the EU.

- **International Banking Law**

This course includes the following topics: - International trade and economics; - International trade issues; - Mobility factors, various national trade policies; - Theory of International Trade (offer), - Theory of International Trade (demand); - Increasing factors and technological changes; - Trade and boosting the economy in developing countries; - Transport costs and the theory of location; - Commercial policy (customs tariff, exchange controls, state trading, price discrimination and cartel, economic integration); - International allocation, taxation and immigration; - Procedure of adjustment; - Turnover of capital (short-term and long-term capital); - International monetary

arrangements;

- **Contemporary Social Problems**

The first objective of the course Contemporary social problems is to stimulate student meditative activity for a wide range of social problems of local and global nature. Lectures will be held with the exercises, which will enable us to penetrate deep into the core of the social factors that influence the occurrence of phenomena called social issues.

- **Comparative Analysis of Legal Systems**

The course offers a thorough knowledge of the different legal systems and traditions in the modern world, including the continental legal system (under which you learn Romanian, German, and Nordic legal family) and Anglo-American (common law) legal system and the right of the remote east and religious legal systems;