



Syllabus

Academic Year	2026/2027
Program	Global Law
Course	Law of International Organizations
Term	I semester
Year	3
SSD	IUS/13
Credits	6

INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS	<p>The course aims to provide students with an in-depth knowledge of the nature and functions of international organizations, analyzing their legal framework, exploring their roles and responsibilities, evaluating their relationship with states and non-state actors, discussing mechanisms for accountability and dispute resolution, assessing their impact on global governance, and understanding the evolving nature and challenges of international organizations.</p>
INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES	<p>Knowledge and understanding: Students will gain a comprehensive understanding of the rules applicable to international organisations (e.g. UN, WTO, OECD, etc.) and the profiles relating to the internal structure and powers of the main actors of the international arena (e.g. privileges and immunities linked to the performance of institutional tasks, the associated liability regime, the rules of membership by States, etc.).</p> <p>Applying knowledge and understanding: Students will be able to identify the rules applicable to individual international organizations and the regulatory framework related to their relationships with state and non-state actors.</p> <p>Making judgments: Students will acquire the necessary tools to understand and analyse current global phenomena affecting the law of international organizations and will also develop an ability to analyse and critically reason about problems and case studies, adequately applying the legal framework and judicial practice.</p> <p>Communications Skills: Students will acquire appropriate language and vocabulary and they will be able to communicate their analyses and findings</p>



clearly and persuasively, either in writing or orally, regarding the law of international organizations.

Learning skills: Students will gain the ability to critically evaluate the law and the impact of international organizations in the global context and solve the related legal issues, including compliance with international law and addressing conflicts. These skills are essential for careers in international law, diplomacy, human rights advocacy, and other fields related to global governance.

Pre-requisites	Basic knowledge of International Law
Course content	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to law of international organizations: history and evolution• International legal personality• Membership, voting and internal structure of the main international organizations• Powers• Privileges and immunities• External relationships• International responsibility• Dispute resolution
Reference Books	J. Klabbers (2022), <i>An Introduction to International Organizations Law</i> (Cambridge University Press). Slides and additional teaching materials on Luiss Learn.
Teaching Methods	Frontal lectures Guest speakers
Assessment	Working groups (40%) Final written exam (60%)
