



PROGRAMME SPECIFICATION

NAME OF PROGRAMME:

Master of Science in International law

UCAS CODE: N/A

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

A university degree in law or other related field.
Demonstrated proficiency in English.

1. Awarding institution/body	Sarajevo School of Science and Technology
2. Teaching institution	Sarajevo School of Science and Technology
3. Programme validated/accredited by	University of Buckingham
4. Final Award	Master of Science Degree
5. QAA Subject Benchmark Statement	
6. Date of Programme revision	October 2010
7. Does the programme comply with the Framework for Higher Education?	Yes.

AIMS OF THE PROGRAMME:

The Master of Science Programme in International law is a carefully structured programme aimed at students with a law degree or degree from related fields who wish to specialize and get an expertise in various fields of international law. Therefore, the modules of the programme have been selected to cover, in a comprehensive way, all relevant topics in contemporary international law. The key advantages of the programme are:

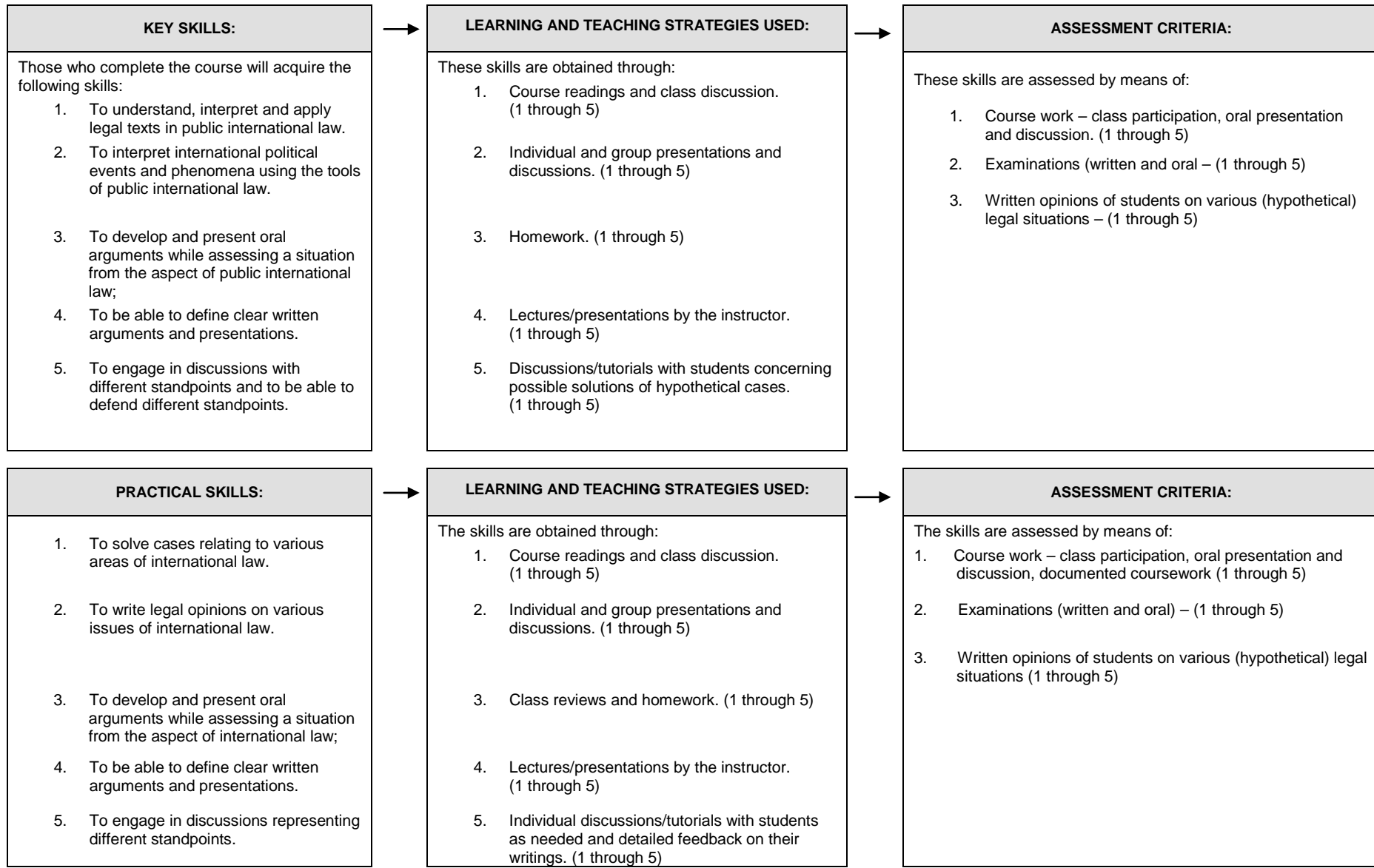
- 1) The programme offers specialized modules in all the relevant fields of international law such as: General public international law, International criminal law, International human rights law, International business law and European law and is thus unique in Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 2) The programme is developed to enable students not only to acquire theoretical knowledge but also practical skills. After completion of this programme students will be able to interpret and apply relevant rules of international law in practice and enhance their argumentation skills in the area of international law which is a unique approach with regard to higher education in the area of legal studies in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Therefore, the programme is useful for practicing lawyers, judges etc. Finally, the programme enhances political reasoning and gives insight in underlying international legal issues in international policy, which is useful for students interested in political science and political analysis, human rights, international economy and business.

The programme is run by the Department of Political Science and International Relations.

INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES

KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING	LEARNING AND TEACHING STRATEGIES TO BE USED:	ASSESSMENT CRITERIA (SHOULD LINK EXPLICITLY TO INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES):
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Knowledge and understanding of international law, the contemporary theories and developments in General Public International Law, International criminal law, International Human Rights Law, International Business Law and European Law;2. Knowledge and understanding of international jurisprudence and practice by international courts and tribunals;3. Knowledge and understanding of different research methods in the areas specified under 1.;4. Knowledge and understanding of the political and economic impacts of international law in international relations;5. Knowledge and understanding of application of international law in the domestic legal order and understanding of the impact of international law in the domestic legal order.	<p>The programme is realised through teaching and practical exercises. Depending on the learning objectives of a particular course, the following teaching strategies will be emphasized:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Lectures and tutorials. (1 through 5)2. Individual and group seminars and presentations. (1 through 5)3. Homework and other documented exercises. (1 through 5)4. Individual discussions/tutorials with students as needed and detailed feedback on their writings. (1 through 5)5. Studying of international legal practice (1 through 5)6. Research (1 through 5)	<p>The ILOs are assessed by means of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Course work – class participation, oral presentation and discussion, documented coursework (1 through 5)2. Practical tests and presentations on selected topics (1 through 5)3. Theoretical and empirical research (1 through 5)4. Final Exam (1 through 5) <p>According to the marks awarded, students are considered as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• having failed to achieve the ILOs• having partially achieved the ILOs• having fully achieved the ILOs
COGNITIVE SKILLS	LEARNING AND TEACHING STRATEGIES USED:	ASSESSMENT CRITERIA (SHOULD LINK EXPLICITLY TO INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES):
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Comprehension of legal concepts in various areas of international law;2. Possibility of perception and comprehension of legal issues from an international legal aspect;3. Development and presentation of clear argumentation lines in matters pertaining to international law;4. Interpretation of international legal texts;5. Developing and defending legal opinions in the area of international law.6. To solve cases in public international law by applying rules of public international and developing argumentation lines.	<p>These skills are obtained through:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Extensive drill and analytical thinking (1 through 6)2. Practical tasks: solving of cases and writing opinions. (1 through 6)	<p>The skills are assessed by means of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Course work – class participation, oral presentation and discussion (1 through 6)2. Solving of hypothetical cases – the argumentation lines will be assessed (1 through 6)3. Examinations (written and oral) - (1 through 6)

TRANSFERABLE SKILLS AND OTHER ATTRIBUTES:



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First year, Term 1		ECTS	Last revised: July 2011
IL 501	Public International law	8	NOTE: Besides tutorials and regular coursework, separate additional ad hoc seminars may be offered to students concerning subjects taught in this semester, which will contribute to the final mark concerning the respective subject (20 %).
IL 510	International Criminal Law	8	
IL 514	Thesis Research and Methodology of Legal Sciences	4	
Preparation for the Master's Thesis I: <i>Literature research and survey in fields of interest</i>		10	
<u>EXAMINATIONS</u>			
First year, Term 2		ECTS	
IL 503	International Law of Human Rights	8	NOTE: Besides tutorials and regular coursework, separate additional ad hoc seminars may be offered to students concerning subjects taught in this semester, which will contribute to the final mark concerning the respective subject (20 %).
IL 506	International Business Law	8	
IL 505	Short course: Topics in transitional justice	4	NOTE 2: Short courses Topics in Transitional Justice, International environmental law and Peaceful Settlement of Disputes are optional – students choose one of them
IL 507	Short course: International Environmental law	4	
IL 508	Short course: Peaceful Settlement of Disputes	4	
Preparation for the Master's Thesis I: <i>Literature research and survey in fields of interest</i>		10	
<u>EXAMINATIONS</u>			
Second year, Term 1		ECTS	
IL 509	International Humanitarian Law	8	NOTE: Besides tutorials and regular coursework, separate additional ad hoc seminars may be offered to students concerning subjects taught in this semester, which will contribute to the final mark concerning the respective subject (20 %).
IL 504	EU Constitutional Law	8	
IL 502	Short course: International and European Law of Gender Equality	4	NOTE 2: Short courses International Law of Gender Equality and Law of international Responsibility are optional – students choose one of them
IL 511	Short course: Law of International Responsibility	4	
Preparation and elaboration of the Expose for the Master's Thesis		10	
<u>EXAMINATIONS</u>			

Second year, Term 2		ECTS	NOTE 1: Besides tutorials and regular coursework, separate additional ad hoc seminars may be offered to students concerning subjects taught in this semester, which will contribute to the final mark concerning the respective subject (20 %).
IL 512	European Human Rights Law	8	
IL 513	EU Administrative Law	8	
Elaboration and defense of the Master's Thesis		14	
<u>EXAMINATIONS</u>			
TOTAL CREDIT UNITS		120	

Total ECTS for obligatory courses: 68 Total ECTS for optional courses: 8 Total ECTS on preparation and elaboration of the Master's thesis: 44 Total ECTS each term: 30