

LSIB-LEGAL STUDIES

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS LAW

LSIB 5002 Sources of International Law-MLS 2 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: admission to Masters of Legal Studies in International Business Law Program. Teaches students the core skills of finding and using various sources of international and transnational business law including bilateral and multinational treaties, uniform international rules and principles, decisions of international and transnational adjudicatory organizations, and European Union directives and decisions. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5012 Introduction to Legal Studies 2 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. A general introduction to the nature and structure of national, international, and transnational legal systems. It introduces the students to the common law and civil law legal systems as well as the international and transnational organizations and structures of international and transnational business law such as the European Union, NAFTA, the WTO, UNCITRAL. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5013 Business Organizational Structures & Governance 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Designed to provide the tools necessary to understand the purposes, risks, and benefits of various business organizational structures and the laws governing their formation, operation, and dissolution. Students will apply information to evaluate risks, benefits, and ethical considerations relevant to organizational structure and governance. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5023 Regulatory and Administrative Law 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Administrative agency law dominates the modern legal system. This course focuses on understanding the intersection between legislative and administrative regulations, administrative rulemaking, the roles of state and federal agencies in interpreting statutes and regulations, and judicial review of agency decision making. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5033 Contract Law 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Introduces students to contract formation and the legal significance of contracts. Specific topics include the requirements for formation of a contract (such as offer and acceptance), justifications for enforcing promises (such as consideration or detrimental reliance), justifications for denying or limiting enforcement (such as unconscionability or mistake), interpretation of contract terms, and remedies for breach of contract. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5043 Processes in Dispute Resolution 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Formal dispute resolution of legal disputes in the civil context includes the following: (1) Arbitration; (2) Mediation; or (3) Litigation. Students will learn the costs, benefits, and risks of each; finality of decisions; the legal requirements and ethical standards governing the various processes; and considerations of time and intangible personal costs. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5112 International Payment Systems 2 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Students will examine some of the key international payment systems: Letters of Credit, wire transfers, international netting, and the SWIFT system. The main themes will include risks associated with fraudulent transactions and the allocation of credit risk throughout the payment systems. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5113 Comparative Corporate Law 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Examines the differences between corporate law in civil law countries and corporate law in the Anglo-American world. Aspects of corporate law to be compared include: the formation process, capital requirements and distributions, duties and liabilities of management, the powers of the general meeting vis-a-vis the powers of the management bodies, minority shareholders' protection, and creditor protection. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5122 Combating International Corruption 2 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Introduction to the principles of US Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) and the OECD Convention on Combatting Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions other transparency initiatives, which is important for any business with an overseas presence. It is practically focused on the need for compliance planning and transaction screening and reporting to prevent violating the FCPA provisions. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5123 European Union Business and Competition Law 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Provides an introduction to the subject of European Law. Students will learn the unique structure of the EU and the Common Market including how directives are made and implemented. It will then focus on a few specific areas of law including: free movement of goods, employment, taxation, and competition law. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5132 International Sanctions Regimes 2 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Provides an overview of the international sanctions regimes. It explores the processes by which UN, other multilateral, and unilateral sanctions are imposed and how sanctions impact the way business is conducted. A few country specific sanctions provisions will be explored. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5133 International Sales and other Business Transactions 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Focuses on the legal aspects of commercial activity that takes place in two or more countries. It will examine the sale of goods and services across national boundaries, licensing of intellectual property, foreign investment, and the core principles of international taxation and antitrust law. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5143 International Commercial and Investment Arbitration 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Examines international arbitration as a system of private justice, focusing on the five building blocks of international arbitration - the agreement to arbitrate, arbitral rules of procedure, international conventions on the enforcement of arbitration agreements, national arbitration laws, and relevant decisions of national courts - and comparing arbitration with other forms of dispute resolution. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5153 International Business, Human Rights, and Corporate Responsibility 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Looks at the appropriate role and responsibilities of multinational corporations with respect to human rights. Will examine the United Nations (UN) and Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) guidelines for business and human rights as well as the UN's decision to draft a treaty on this topic as well as national regulations and potential litigation risks. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5233 Written & Oral Communication 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Focuses on effective, clear, and concise writing and communication for a legal audience. Students will learn best practices in predictive and persuasive communication and document drafting while applying legal authorities in a factual context. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 5643 International Indigenous Peoples Law 3 Credit Hours

(Crosslisted with LSI 5643) Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Explores the development of international law rules relating to the rights of indigenous peoples from the early 20th Century through the present, focusing on modern international institutions and instruments including the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 6100 Selected Legal Problems 1-4 Credit Hours

1 to 4 hours. Involved current legal problems. Subject matter and course credit will be included with the enrollment instructions. (F, Sp)

LSIB 6112 International Finance: Capital Markets 2 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Examines laws and institutions governing global capital markets, as well as the applicability of US Securities regulation abroad. The major markets and exchanges covered include London, Europe, and Hong Kong. It will examine attempts at and challenges to international harmonization. In addition to primary capital market transactions, it will also consider cross border public merger and takeover regulations and practices. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 6113 International Trade and Investment 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Examines regulation of trans-border trade on a global level. Explores laws and institutions which regulate the flow of international trade and foreign investment. Major institutions covered include World Trade Organization, International Monetary Fund, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank), European Union, North American Free Trade Agreement, and Asian regional institutions. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 6122 International Finance: Banking and Structured Finance 2 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Covers the international regulation of the market for bank financing. Principles of capital adequacy, safety and soundness, and systemic risk will be introduced. The process of syndication and global structured finance will also be explored. Finally, the course will introduce the topic of anti-money laundering regulation. (F, Sp, Su)

LSIB 6132 International Energy 2 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Admission to the Master of Legal Studies and/or Master of Laws Programs. Provides a broad review of international energy resources and production. It covers energy sources and distribution, including hydrocarbons and renewables; administrative organization and applicable legislative/regulatory framework; in addition to an overview of climate change and related international goals, and the effect of energy on indigenous populations, human rights, and environment. (F, Sp, Su)