



## Syllabus

### International Humanitarian Law

Qualification Bachelor  
Branch of knowledge 29 International Relations  
Specialty 293 International Law  
Educational program – «International Law»

Year: 4, Semester: 7

ECTS credits: 5  
Language: English

#### Lecturer

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### Description of course

International humanitarian law is applied during armed conflicts in order to limit the means and methods of conducting military operations. This branch of law aims to protect the civilian population from the effects of armed conflict and those who have ceased to participate in hostilities. IHL is designed to limit the consequences of conflicts based on considerations of humanity.

Students gain knowledge of both Ukrainian legislation and international legal acts in the field of international humanitarian law and the main trends in its development. After completing the study of the discipline "International Humanitarian Law", students will be able to apply the provisions of the norms of national legislation, international treaties with the participation of Ukraine; characterize national legislation from the point of view of its compliance with international humanitarian law.

### Structure of course

Hours (l/p)	Topic	Results	Tasks
2/2	1. The concept and history of the formation of international humanitarian law.	To know the concept of international humanitarian law, the history of formation and development, features and main problems and trends of development.	Tests, questions
2/2	2. Sources and	Know and be able to analyze international legal acts on	Cases

	principles of international humanitarian law	international humanitarian law, as well as the legislation of Ukraine in this field	
4/4	3. Concepts and types of armed conflicts. Stages of war	Understand the concept of conflict and be able to classify conflicts. To be able to distinguish the stages of the war	Tests, questions
2/2	4. Legal position of persons in armed conflicts	To be able to analyze the legal position of persons in armed conflicts, the extent of their rights and obligations	Cases
4/4	5. The regime of military captivity and military occupation.	Know the basic principles of the regime of military captivity and military occupation.	Cases
4/4	6. Means and methods of warfare	Understand the main means and methods of warfare and know their limitations in application	Tests, questions
2/2	7. Protection of civilian objects and cultural values in armed conflicts	Know the legal status of civilian objects and cultural values in armed conflicts, analyze violations related to their protection	Tests, questions
4/4	8. Responsibility for crimes and offenses in the field of international humanitarian law	Analyze responsibility for crimes and offenses in the field of international humanitarian law	Tests, questions
2/2	9. International legal means of protecting human rights in the field of international humanitarian law.	Know the main international legal means of protecting human rights in the field of international humanitarian law.	Be able to analyze and apply cases

### **RECOMMENDED SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

1. Cohen A., Zlotogorski D. Proportionality in International Humanitarian Law. Consequences, Precautions, and Procedures. Oxford University Press, 2021. 262 h.
2. International Humanitarian Law: Modern Developments of the Limitation of Warfare. Routledge, 2019. 332 p.
3. McCoubrey H. The Oxford Guide to International Humanitarian Law Edited by Ben Saul, Dapo Akande. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2020.
4. Roberta Arnold. International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law: Towards a New Merger in International Law (Hardcover). Paperback.2021.629 p.
5. Sassòli M. International Humanitarian Law. Rules, Controversies, and Solutions to Problems Arising in Warfare. 2019. 720 p.

### **Information resources**

- 1 International Criminal Court– <http://www.icc.int>
- 2 International Committee of the Red Cross - <https://www.icrc.org/>
- 3 Standing Commission of the Red Cross and Red Crescent - <https://standcom.ch/>
- 4 Geneva Call - <https://www.genevacall.org/>
- 5 United Nations – <http://www.un.org>

### **Evaluation policy**

- Policy on deadlines and rescheduling: Rescheduling of modules takes place with the permission of the dean's office if there are good reasons (for example, sick leave).
- Academic Integrity Policy: Copying during tests and exams is prohibited (including using mobile devices).
- Attendance Policy: Attendance is a mandatory component of assessment. For objective reasons (for example, illness, international internship, and other reasons), training can take place online with the permission of the university administration.

### Criteria, forms of current and final control

Credit module 1	Credit module 2	Credit module 3	Exam
20	20	20	40
Oral survey during classes (1-5 topics) - 10 points per topic - max. 50 points Modular control work - max. 50 points	Oral survey during classes (6-9 topics) - 10 points per topic - max. 40 points Modular control work - max. 60 points	Preparation of CPIT - max. 40 points. Protection of CPIT -max. 40 points Participation in trainings - max. 20 points	Theoretical questions (2 questions) - 30 points each, max. 60 points case (1 case) - max. 40points

### Grading scale

On the scale university	On the national scale	On the ECTS scale
90-100	excellent	A (excellent)
85-89	good	B (very good)
75-84		C (good)
65-74	satisfactory	D (satisfactory)
60-64		E (enough)
35-59	non-satisfactory	FX (non-satisfactory with possibility of repeated passing)
1-34		F (non-satisfactory with repeated cours of lectures)