

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

International Trade Law			
Reference	LLM233	Version	3
Created	August 2023	SCQF Level	SCQF 11
Approved	May 2020	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2023	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

To enable students to attain and master a critical understanding of the significant role of international law in the framework of international trade and global economic systems - globally and regionally.

Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Analyse and critically evaluate the role of international law, rules and policies that underscore the workings of international trade.
- 2 Critically appraise the making of international trade organisations and trade-related agreements
- 3 Investigate the workings of the World Trade Organisation historically; examining the relevance of Bretton Woods sister organisations and agreements like the World Bank, GATT and the International Monetary Fund.
- 4 Explore and demonstrate a critical understanding of the aspects of public international law and its influences on international trade
- 5 Examine and demonstrate an in-depth knowledge and understanding of global and regional trade including regional trade-related agreement and organisations.

Indicative Module Content

Historical perspectives and current examinations on key international trade organisations- World Trade Organisation, the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development Regional trade and trade-related organisations, and regional trade agreements ? AfCFTA, ECOWAS, European Customs Union, NAFTA or the United States?Mexico?Canada Agreement (USMCA); The Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR for its Spanish initials), ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA), etc. Aspects of Public international law (Human rights, environmental law, labour law, international competition policy, international finance law etc.) and its influences on international trade Global trends and international trade, political and economical impacts Investment Arbitration and International trade dispute resolutions mechanisms

Module Delivery

Weekly face to face lecture, presentation and case studies.

Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	36	36
Non-Contact Hours	114	114
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	150
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>		

ASSESSMENT PLAN

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

Component 1

Type: Weighting: Outcomes Assessed:

Description:

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

The module is assessed by way of a single assessment component weighted at 100%. A minimum grade D is required in order to pass the module.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
A	A
B	B
C	C
D	D
E	E
F	F
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module	None.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY

- 1 Van den Bossche P, and Zdouc W, The Law And Policy Of The World Trade Organization (4th edn, Cambridge University Press 2017)
- 2 Bethlehem D and others, The Oxford Handbook Of International Trade Law (2nd edn, Oxford Handbooks 2022)