Program: Doctoral Academic Studies

Course title: INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW

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Course status: Optional for International Law narrow academic research field

Number of ECTS: 10

Requirements: /

#### Aims of the course:

The principal aim of the course is to acquire knowledge and comprehension of the legal norms of the international law of armed conflicts as well as the basis of the international humanitarian law in its strict sense; introduction to the evolution of the legal regulation of the domain; relationship between the international norms that regulate the matter and the internal norms as well as their harmonization; introduction to the specific characteristics of the humanitarian law and the development of the legal doctrine; familiarizing with the legal terminology used in international humanitarian law; development of the ability to understand the differences between internal and international norms as well as the impact of other factors that influence international humanitarian law; analyzing the sanctions and the development of the norms relating to the punishment of the violations of humanitarian law; developing the ability to use the method applied in international humanitarian law.

#### **Course result:**

Candidate has to achieve the appropriate level of knowledge and skills which will enable her/him to individually and critically examine the questions arising in the area of international humanitarian law and to individually conduct its own research.

### **Course content:**

Term and subject-matter of International Law of Armed Conflicts and International Humanitarian Law (4 classes, I week); II. Relationship between International Humanitarian Law, International Law of armed Conflicts (Traditional Law of War) and International Human Rights Law (4 classes, II week); III. Evolution of International Law of Armed Conflicts (8 classes, IV and V week); IV. Sources of International Law of Armed Conflicts (4 classes, III week); V. International Law of Armed Conflicts and International Humanitarian Law after the Second World War and the adoption of the UN Charter (4 classes, VI week); VI. Rules on methods and means of the conduct of hostilities (12 classes, VII, VIII and IX week); VII. Rules regulating protection of persons in armed conflicts (12 classes, X, XI and XII week); IX. Rules regulating protection of objects and premises in armed conflicts; International Law and terrorism (2 classes, XIII week); X. Respect of International Humanitarian Law and Liability for the breach (6 classes, XIII and XIV week).

## Literature:

Mandatory:

Jončić, V., International Humanitarian Law, Faculty of Law, Belgrade, 2010, Robertson, A., Humanitraian Law, New York, 2002; Rosemary Abi-Saab, Droit humanitarie et conflits internes: origine et évolution de la réglementation internationale, Institut Henry-Dunant, Pedone 1986; Paul Guggenheim, Traité de droit international public, Genève, 1954.

# Complementary:

Christine Gray, International Law and the Use of Force, Foundations of Public International Law, Oxford, 2005; Pictet, J.S., Commentar of Geneva Conventions (I-IV, Geneva; Theodor Meron, War Crimes Law Comes of Age, Oxford Univerity Press, Inc., New York; V. Jončić, V., War prisoners – International status, VIZ, Belgrade, 2002; Perzić, G., International Law of armed conflict, Belgrade, 1988; Jončić, V., Third Geneva Convention, Application in Practice and its influence on Protocols I and II, Faculty of Law and Dosije, Belgrade, 2004; Jončić, V., International Status of the Participants in the Armed Conflicts, Faculty of Law University of Belgrade, Belgrade, 2012, The sources of the International humanitarian Law, Red Cross of Yugoslavia, Belgrade 2003

Number of lectures – active classes	Theoretical classes: 75		Practical classes :	
Instruction method: lectures, consultations				
Grading system (maximum number of points 100)				
Pre-exam obligations	points	Final Exam		points
Activities during lectures	30			
Activities during practical classes		Oral Exam		70
Tests				
Seminar classes				