



# International Law Programs 2020

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## Introduction

Each May and June since 2001, Queen's Law has offered integrated academic programs in Public International Law (PIL) and International Business Law (IBL) at the Bader International Study Centre at Herstmonceux Castle in East Sussex, U.K. This year, because of the COVID-19 epidemic, we will bring the International Law Programs to students by offering these programs 'live' online. We are confident that the online programs will give students as many of the academic and career development experiences of the BISC programs as is possible under the circumstances.

As always, instructors and guests will be prominent academics and practitioners in international law who will bring their expertise and practical experience to the (this year virtual) classroom. Most have taught in the castle program for many years, and all are exceptional lecturers who enjoy the opportunity to meet with and teach our students.

In addition to three rigorous three-credit courses, each program will include a series of enrichment activities: guest lectures in class, special events, career panels, and networking opportunities. (We are also exploring the possibility of organizing a week-long field studies trip to Europe at a future date, for which there would be an additional fee.)

Students should expect their program to require their attention full-time for eight weeks, and they will need to be somewhat flexible about the schedule of events. We believe it will be a challenging, interesting, and rewarding experience. The knowledge gained and the connections made will be helpful in future employment and graduate school applications, whether students pursue a career in international law or in another legal field.

## Term Dates

There will be an introductory session and orientation on Friday, May 1. Classes will begin on Monday, May 4, and will be held for 2 to 4 hours every weekday until June 19, with additional time required for special events. The exam for the introductory Public International Law course in both



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programs will be held on Monday, May 18. The exams for the other courses will be held in the week of June 22.

## Class and Event Schedules

The programs will require, as always, a full-time and somewhat flexible commitment by students. Readings and assignments will be manageable but will require 2 to 3 hours of work per day on average.

Classes will be scheduled for 18 hours per week in weeks 1 and 2 and approximately 15 hours per week in weeks 3 through 7. Classes will generally be scheduled between 10 am and 4 pm EDT.

***Important note for IBL students: The 18 hours of IBL classes in week 2 and a total of 15 hours of the IBL class time in weeks 5, 6 and/or 7 may begin at 8 am and/or take place between 7 and 10 pm, because 2 of our instructors will be teaching from Tokyo and Singapore.***

Special events outside class time will mainly be scheduled in weeks 3 through 6. Most will take place between 9 am and 5 pm, although there may be some events held in the early evening.

***Students joining the program from a time zone other than EDT should consult with the Program Director before registering.***

We hope to have the preliminary class schedule available in mid-April. Special events will be added to the schedule throughout the program.

## Technology / Attendance Requirements

The instruction and special events will be offered live via Zoom, with the opportunity for students to participate and ask questions. No class will have more than about 25 students, except for the first week of the introductory Public International Law course, when the students in both programs will be taught together.

Some instructors will use Zoom 'break out rooms' for group work. Instructors may also make use of onQ and other technology to deliver material and interact with students. Students will be given advice about how to get the most out of online interactions.



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Students will be expected to attend all sessions as they happen. Recordings will be made available for review and as a backup in case any students encounter technological issues during class time.

Students will need to have access to a stable internet connection in order to participate.

## Evaluation

The courses will be evaluated by way of final exams and a variety of other assessment methods, which may include class participation, written assignments, and quizzes. Details about the methods of evaluation for each course will be provided to students by late April. The usual Queen's Law grading policies will apply.

As in the winter 2020, exams in the programs will be written by students at the appointed time at the place of their choice and will be open book. The highest standards of academic integrity will be expected of students, with sanctions as usual for any breaches.

## Credits

As always, Queen's Law students may use the program credits to take more upper-year courses in total, lighten their load in their upper years within the annual credit minimum, or as part of a plan to complete the degree requirements a term early.

Students from other law schools should check the availability of transfer credits with their home universities.

## Certificate of Completion

Upon the successful completion of one of the International Law Programs, students will receive a "Certificate of Completion" in International Business Law or Public International Law from the Faculty of Law.



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## **Program Fee: \$5,322**

The fee includes tuition for three 36-hour courses of three credits each for a total of nine credits (for less than the pro-rated cost of nine credits of Queen's Law JD upper-year tuition during the academic year).

In addition, in lieu of the usual field studies visits, the programs will include a number of enrichment activities: guest lectures, special events, career panels, and networking opportunities.

The students in the program will benefit from dedicated attention to the programs by the Academic Director, Associate Academic Director, and Program Director.

Queen's Law students in joint programs should check with the Program Director about the adjusted program fee, which includes the summer tuition for their master's program.

The only additional expense will be for textbooks. The list of required texts will be available by mid-April.

The program fee must be paid by May 1, 2020. Fees are paid online through SOLUS in the usual way. If the amount of the program fees is not showing in your account, transfer the program fee (\$5,322) less any bursary and/or scholarship.

## **Financial Assistance**

Queen's University is committed to making its programs accessible and has established a number of awards and bursaries to assist students with the cost of participating in the International Law Programs.

### *Bursaries*

Bursaries are non-repayable grants available to students who have demonstrated financial need above the maximum funding available through government student financial assistance. All students must have applied for and be in receipt of government assistance in order to be considered for a bursary. The bursaries range in value.



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Bursaries are available to both Queen's and non-Queen's students. Applicants from other universities are encouraged to investigate funding opportunities that may exist at their home institutions.

Students who had previously been awarded a BISC bursary should check their SOLUS account, where an adjusted bursary amount should be visible.

New bursary applications will be accepted until the beginning of the programs. Applications are available on-line at [Queen's University Student Awards](#): complete the form for the [BISC upper year](#) program. Responses will be provided to applicants fairly quickly. For questions about bursaries please contact the Student Awards Office at [bursary@queensu.ca](mailto:bursary@queensu.ca).

## *Global Law Scholarships*

Queen's Law students who attend the International Law Programs may apply for a Global Law Scholarship, awarded on the basis of academic excellence and demonstrated interest and/or experience in international law. The amounts of the scholarships vary.

Students who had been awarded scholarships for study at the BISC will be awarded 35% of their BISC awards for the online program. (The \$550 BISC fee waiver for all students will not, however, apply.)

New Queen's Law applicants to the online programs may apply for a Global Law Scholarship, but funds for new scholarships are very limited. To apply, complete the online application form (below) beginning April 11 at 9 am, and then send a one-page statement to [gillian.ready@queensu.ca](mailto:gillian.ready@queensu.ca) by April 15 explaining how your application meets the scholarship criteria of academic excellence and demonstrated interest and/or experience in international law.

## *Government Student Loan Extensions*

Queen's students who have received funding through OSAP or another provincial plan during the academic year can apply for a spring/summer extension. Information and the ["2020 OSAP Summer Extension"](#) form are available on the [Student Awards website](#).

No further action is required for BISC students with Ontario loans who had already applied for an extension. Student Awards will advise OSAP of the change in the program fee.



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If your home province is not Ontario, email [awards@queensu.ca](mailto:awards@queensu.ca) and ask for instructions specific to your home province's regulations.

Non-Queen's students with government student loans should check with their home universities to determine the application process and deadlines.

## Application Process

Students from all law schools who had accepted offers to attend the International Law Programs at the BISC are guaranteed a place in the program of their choice until **5 pm on Thursday, April 9, 2020**.

Applications will be accepted from other Queen's Law students in the order received, beginning at **9 am on Saturday, April 11**.

If places in the programs remain after **Wednesday, April 15, 2020**, applications will be accepted from eligible and qualified students at other law schools in the order received. (Students registered in a JD or LL.B. program at accredited Canadian and American universities are eligible to apply. International law students fluent in English at universities which are in exchange partnership with Queen's University are also eligible.)

### *Application Procedure*

Students who had accepted or declined a position in one of the BISC programs do not need to re-apply. Students who had accepted a place can email Gillian at [gillian.ready@queensu.ca](mailto:gillian.ready@queensu.ca) by 5 pm on April 9 to reserve a place in the online programs. (Students from law schools other than Queen's should check with their home universities to ensure that any expected transfer credits will be available for this year's online program.)

Students who had declined a place do not need to re-apply, and can simply email Gillian, but they will only be given a place in the online programs once applications are being accepted from non-BISC students at Queen's Law.

New applicants must complete the [Queen's Law BISC 2020 Online Application](#), which will be available beginning at 9 am on Saturday, April 11. The form is short and easy to complete.



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Queen's Law new applicants: Note that if you wish to be considered for a Global Law scholarship, you must also send a statement explaining how your application meets the scholarship criteria of academic excellence and demonstrated interest and/or experience in international law to [gillian.ready@queensu.ca](mailto:gillian.ready@queensu.ca) by April 15.

New applicants from other universities must include, or forward as soon as possible and by May 1 at the latest, a Letter of Permission from their home university. Students should consult with their home university to ensure that the courses can be recognized for transfer credit.

## **International Business Law Program**

The International Business Law program begins with a two-week introductory course, the first week of which is taken jointly by students in both programs. Classes in the IBL program then focus on public international law governing international trade and investment and provide an overview of the fields of activity of the World Trade Organization (WTO), with a focus on multilateral trade negotiations and dispute settlement. Students learn about the law governing international business transactions as well as the different forms of dispute resolution that are open to the parties in such transactions.

### **Law 673 – Introduction to Public International Law (Economic Focus) (3 credits)**

**Instructors: Paul Blustein, Alison Mitchell**

This course will provide an introduction to public international law for students in the International Business Law stream. In the first week of the course, which will be taken jointly with the students in the Public International Law stream, students will be introduced to the core concepts and principles of international law, including the sources of international law, the subjects of international law, and the concept of jurisdiction. In the second week of the course, the students will explore legal rules and institutions that provide important context for the subject matters covered in the remainder of the program, including the international financial architecture, international taxation, and the related work of the World Bank, the OECD, the IMF and the United Nations.

**Week 1: Alison Mitchell** is a lawyer and diplomat at Global Affairs Canada. She is specialized in the law of armed conflict, international human rights law, international criminal law, targeted sanctions, and the law of the sea. She is currently the deputy director of the Polar and Nordic



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Relations Division in Ottawa. Since joining the department in 2006, Ms. Mitchell has had assignments to Canada's embassy in Washington, D.C., to NATO in Brussels, to UN Headquarters in New York, and to the Provincial Reconstruction Team in Kandahar, Afghanistan. In 2012-2013, she spent a year on exchange with the Canadian Armed Forces in the Office of the Judge Advocate General. She previously served as an assistant legal officer in the Office of the Prosecutor at the International Criminal Court in The Hague in 2005-2006 and clerked for Mr. Justice Marshall Rothstein at the Supreme Court of Canada in 2007.

Ms. Mitchell received a B.A. from Queen's University in 2001, an LL.B. from the University of Ottawa in 2005, and an LL.M. in International Legal Studies from New York University in 2012.

**Week 2: Paul Blustein** is an author and journalist, specializing in economic issues, and is currently a Senior Fellow at the Centre for International Governance Innovation in Waterloo, Ontario. He spent much of his career reporting for *The Washington Post* and *The Wall Street Journal*, and he has authored six books focusing mainly on financial crises and global trade. His latest book, published in September 2019, is *Schism: China, America and the Fracturing of the Global Trading System*. Articles he has written in recent years have been published by Fortune, Slate, Politico, Foreign Policy, Bloomberg View, and other media outlets.

Mr. Blustein has degrees from the University of Wisconsin (BA, History), and from Oxford University, where as a Rhodes Scholar he studied Philosophy, Politics and Economics.

## Law 454 – International Economic Law (3 credits)

**Instructors: Andrea Bjorklund, Nicolas Lamp**

This course introduces students to the public international law governing international trade and investment. It provides an overview of the fields of activity of the World Trade Organization (WTO), with a focus on multilateral trade negotiations and dispute settlement. The course combines lectures with interactive exercises, including a simulation of a trade negotiation and a moot. It also introduces students to the different subjects of international trade law, including trade in goods, trade in services, and trade-related aspects of intellectual property rights. The international investment law section of the course surveys some of the core obligations of international investment agreements, with a focus on the provisions of Chapter 11 of NAFTA.

**Andrea Bjorklund** is a Full Professor, the L. Yves Fortier Chair in International Arbitration and International Commercial Law, and Associate Dean of Graduate Studies at McGill University





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Faculty of Law. In 2017, she was named one of McGill's Norton Rose Fulbright Scholars in International Arbitration and International Commercial Law. In Winter 2018, she was a Plumer Fellow at St. Anne's College and a Visiting Fellow in the Law Faculty, University of Oxford.

In addition to serving as an adviser to the American Law Institute's project on restating the U.S. law of international commercial arbitration, Professor Bjorklund is a member of the Advisory Board of the Investment Treaty Forum of the British Institute for International and Comparative Law. She was the inaugural ICSID Scholar-in-Residence for 2014-2015 and Editor-in-Chief of the Yearbook on International Investment Law and Policy (OUP) from 2012 to 2015. She sits on the panel of arbitrators of the AAA's International Centre for Dispute Resolution and on the roster of NAFTA Chapter 19 arbitrators. She is widely published in investment law and dispute resolution and transnational contracts.

Prior to joining McGill, Professor Bjorklund taught at the University of California, Davis, School of Law. Before entering the academy, she was an attorney-adviser on the NAFTA arbitration team in the Office of the Legal Adviser of the U.S. Department of State, in addition to periods at the U.S. International Trade Commission and in private practice at Miller & Chevalier in Washington, D.C. She clerked for Judge Samuel J. Ervin, III, of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. Professor Bjorklund has a J.D. from Yale Law School, an M.A. in French Studies from New York University, and a B.A. (with High Honors) in History and French from the University of Nebraska.

**Nicolas Lamp** has been an Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Law at Queen's University since 2014. In 2016, he became the Academic Director of the International Law Programs. Prior to joining Queen's, Professor Lamp worked as a Dispute Settlement Lawyer at the Appellate Body Secretariat of the World Trade Organization, where he advised the Members of the Appellate Body on legal issues arising in appellate proceedings under the WTO's dispute settlement mechanism. His teaching subjects include Contracts, International Economic Law, International Trade Law and Public International Law.

## Law 666 – International Commercial Law (3 credits)

**Instructors: Joshua Karton, Matthew Secomb**

The course introduces students to the law governing international business transactions as well as the different forms of dispute resolution that are open to the parties in such transactions. The first part of the course focuses on the rules governing the international sale of goods and the financing of international business transactions. We will discuss the considerations that inform the parties'



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choices of the law that will govern their transactions, with a particular focus on the options provided by the United Nations Convention on the International Sale of Goods. The course also provides an overview of other forms of international transactions, such as bank finance transactions. The second part of the course introduces the students to different forms of dispute resolution, including mediation, international litigation, and arbitration, with a focus on commercial arbitration. Students will gain an understanding of the intersection of international law, national law, and private contract that comprises the governing regime for this important means for the resolution of international business disputes. Specific topics include the drafting and enforcement of arbitration agreements, the laws applicable to different aspects of the arbitration, the jurisdiction, composition and powers of the tribunal, confidentiality, interim measures, the conduct of the hearing, and the recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards.

**Joshua Karton** joined Queen's Law in July 2009 and is now an Associate Professor. Professor Karton's research interests are in international dispute resolution (in particular international arbitration), international and comparative contract law, conflict of laws, and sociology of law (especially law and globalization). In addition to international arbitration, Professor Karton has taught contracts, comparative law, commercial law, conflict of laws, and legal research methods. He received a BA in International Relations and Humanities from Yale in 2001, a JD from Columbia Law School in 2005, and a PhD in International Law from Cambridge in 2011. A member of the New York Bar, he practiced in the New York and Hong Kong offices of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP before commencing his doctoral studies. Professor Karton has also taught at Cambridge University, Hong Kong University, the National Taiwan University, and Wuhan University (China)

**Matthew Secomb** is a partner in White & Case's International Arbitration Group in Singapore. Dr. Secomb specializes in international commercial arbitration with a focus on construction and energy-related disputes. He has been involved in arbitrations under most of the major institutional rules as well as in ad hoc arbitrations. Dr. Secomb also provides commercial advice, particularly with regard to oil and gas related issues. Before moving to Singapore in 2015, he was based in White & Case's Paris office for nearly ten years. He has a B.Com. and an LL.M. from the University of Melbourne, an LL.B. from Deakin University, and a Doctorat en droit (summa cum laude) from the Université de Fribourg (Switzerland). He is qualified as an avocat at the Paris bar, a solicitor advocate in England & Wales, and a barrister and solicitor in Victoria, Australia.

Prior to joining White & Case in 2006, Dr. Secomb was counsel to the ICC International Court of Arbitration, where he oversaw thousands of arbitrations, spanning almost all industry sectors and



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regions. Before moving to France in 2001, he worked at Minter Ellison, a leading Australian law firm.

## Guest Lectures and Special Events

The program Directors and our present and former instructors have extensive contacts in the international law field, and we will plan an exciting program of guest lectures (in class time) and special events, career panels and networking opportunities (outside class time).

Although the details have not yet been finalized, we expect to be able to offer students the opportunity to learn from and make contacts with lawyers and officials from organizations which may include law firms in London, Paris, and Geneva, EU and UN organizations, the WTO, and Canadian missions. If possible, we will also include virtual visits to some of these organizations.

In addition, we will hold career panels at which Queen's Law alumni and friends of the International Law Programs who work in international law will advise students about their career paths and meet with students in small groups so that you can ask questions and make career connections.

## Public International Law Program

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### Law 670 – Introduction to Public International Law (3 credits)

**Instructor: Alison Mitchell**

This course will provide an introduction to public international law for students in the Public International Law stream. In the first week of the course, which will be taken jointly with the students in the International Business Law stream, students will be introduced to the core concepts and principles of international law, including the sources of international law, the



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subjects of international law, and the concept of jurisdiction. In the second week of the course, the students will explore legal rules and institutions that provide important context for the subject matters covered in the remainder of the program, including the law on the use of force, arms control, state responsibility, jurisdictional immunities, and economic sanctions. The work of the United Nations as well as the practice of the Canadian government will receive particular attention.

**Alison Mitchell** is a lawyer and diplomat at Global Affairs Canada. She is specialized in the law of armed conflict, international human rights law, international criminal law, targeted sanctions, and the law of the sea. She is currently the deputy director of the Polar and Nordic Relations Division in Ottawa. Since joining the department in 2006, Ms. Mitchell has had assignments to Canada's embassy in Washington, D.C., to NATO in Brussels, to UN Headquarters in New York, and to the Provincial Reconstruction Team in Kandahar, Afghanistan. In 2012-2013, she spent a year on exchange with the Canadian Armed Forces in the Office of the Judge Advocate General. She previously served as an assistant legal officer in the Office of the Prosecutor at the International Criminal Court in The Hague in 2005-2006 and clerked for Mr. Justice Marshall Rothstein at the Supreme Court of Canada in 2007.

Ms. Mitchell received a B.A. from Queen's University in 2001, an LL.B. from the University of Ottawa in 2005, and an LL.M. in International Legal Studies from New York University in 2012.

## [Law 665 – International Protection of Human Rights and Refugees \(3 credits\)](#)

**Instructors: Ardi Imseis, Michael Schoiswohl (tbc), Mark Searl**

The course provides an introduction to the international law of human rights and to the more specialized protections applicable to refugees, as well as the interrelationship between these bodies of law. The aim of the course is to provide the students with a coherent framework for understanding the instruments and mechanisms through which international law protects the fundamental rights of every human being as well as those of particularly vulnerable groups, such as refugees. In discussing the various facets of the international human rights and refugee protection regimes, emphasis will be given to their conceptual foundations, their enforcement at the international, regional and domestic level, as well as their practical implications and current challenges. Specific attention will be given to the institutional features of the human rights regime, including at the regional level (Organization of American States), the reception of international human rights law into the Canadian legal system, and the relationship of human rights and refugee law to related areas, such as humanitarian law and international criminal law.



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**Ardi Imseis** is an Assistant Professor of Law at Queen's Faculty of Law and Associate Academic Director of the International Law Programs at the BISC. He is a Member of the United Nations Group of Eminent International and Regional Experts on Yemen, a commission of inquiry mandated by the UN Human Rights Council to investigate violations of international human rights and humanitarian law committed in the conflict in Yemen since September 2014. Between 2002 and 2014, he served in senior legal and policy capacities with the UN in the Middle East (UNRWA & UNHCR), and he was formerly Senior Legal Counsel to the Chief Justice of Alberta.

Professor Imseis has provided expert testimony in his personal capacity before various high-level bodies, including the UN Security Council, and to members of the UK House of Lords and the French Senate. His scholarship has appeared in a wide array of international journals, including the American Journal of International Law, the Harvard International Law Journal, and the Oxford Journal of Legal Studies. Professor Imseis is a former Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar and Human Rights Fellow, Columbia Law School, Editor-in-Chief of the Palestine Yearbook of International Law (Brill) (2008-2019), and Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellow. He holds a Ph.D. (Cambridge), LL.M. (Columbia), LL.B. (Dalhousie), and B.A. (Hons.) (Toronto).

**Michael Schoiswohl** (participation to be confirmed) graduated from Vienna Law School in 1998 and studied international law, with an emphasis on human rights, as a Fulbright scholar at NYU, where he obtained an LL.M. in 2000. In 2001 he completed his doctoral studies at the University of Vienna with distinction.

Mr. Schoiswohl is a Senior Legal Officer with the Office of the Legal Counsel, UN Office of Legal Affairs in New York. He has held various positions within the United Nations in the fields of human rights, legal affairs, rule of law, and development, including in post-conflict situations (Afghanistan). Prior to his assignment with the UN Office of Legal Affairs, he held the position of Deputy Director of Legal Affairs and Principal Legal Officer (international law) at the Department of Legal Affairs of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East. Prior to that he worked in Geneva as a Human Rights Advisor with the Permanent Mission of Austria to the United Nations and with the United Nations Environment Programme. Other positions include Lecturer and Researcher at the Vienna Institute of Public International Law, Legal Advisor to the Austrian General Settlement Fund for Victims of National Socialism, and various consultancies and research assignments in public international law, international human rights, and rule of law related areas.



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In pursuit of his interest in combining practice with academia, Mr. Schoiswohl has researched, lectured and published on various topics of international and human rights law. Publications include a monograph on the status and human rights obligations of non-recognized de facto regimes in international law (the case of Somaliland) and articles on the United Nations Human Rights Council as well as the rule of law in post-conflict peace-building. Mr. Schoiswohl participated in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court in 1997 and he has remained active as a coach and judge.

**Mark Searl** is a Counsel in the Human Rights Law Section at the Department of Justice Canada, where he provides advice on matters involving the application of domestic and international human rights law and supports Canada's engagement in the international human rights system. His prior experience in the human rights field includes serving as a Senior Policy Advisor in the Office of Human Rights, Freedoms and Inclusion at Global Affairs Canada and as a Counsel at the Canadian Human Rights Commission. Dr. Searl has previously taught classes in international human rights and public international law at the London School of Economics and Political Science.

Dr. Searl completed his PhD at the London School of Economics and Political Science in 2014, in which he specialized in international legal theory. Prior to this, he obtained an LLM from the University of Cambridge with a specialization in international law, LL.B. and B.C.L degrees from McGill University, and a B.A. in Philosophy from Franciscan University of Steubenville.

## [Law 664 – The Law of Armed Conflict and international Crimes \(3 credits\)](#)

**Instructors: Phillip Drew, Norman Farrell, Katie Gustafson**

This course introduces students to the law governing the conduct of armed conflict and to the crimes for which individuals incur individual criminal responsibility under international law, including war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide. The law of armed conflict, or international humanitarian law, is a set of rules which seeks to limit the effects of armed conflict. It protects persons who are not or are no longer participating in hostilities and restricts the means and methods of warfare that may be employed by parties to a conflict. International humanitarian law faces a number of challenges in contemporary armed conflicts, which differ significantly from the types of conflicts that were prevalent when this body of law was first developed. A recent approach to addressing certain violations of international humanitarian law has been the establishment of international criminal tribunals and mixed international / domestic tribunals tasked with prosecuting individuals allegedly responsible for serious violations of international humanitarian law and other serious international crimes. The first part of the course will examine





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the history, principles, operation and application of international humanitarian law. The second part of the course will focus on the development of the law applicable to individual criminal responsibility, immunity, substantive elements of crimes, and certain modes of liability under international criminal law.

**Phillip Drew** is the Assistant Dean Juris Doctor and Graduate Legal Studies at Queen's Faculty of Law. A graduate of Queen's Law (JD'00 and LLM'12), he holds a Doctorate in Law (Dr. Iuris) from the University of Frankfurt (Oder). He has been teaching IHL at the BISC since 2011, and he is an Honorary Associate Professor at Australian National University College of Law, where he teaches International Humanitarian Law, Peacekeeping Operations Law, and Maritime Security Law.

Internationally recognized as a leading authority on the use of force in military operations, Dr. Drew draws on 30 years of service with the Canadian Armed Forces to enhance student educational experience. Having served as an Intelligence officer in the First Gulf War, Rwanda, and on several other missions, and then as a lawyer advising on counter-terrorism and counter-piracy missions with the Canadian Navy in the Middle East, he teaches from a first-hand perspective, incorporating real-life experiences and scenarios into his class-room materials. His innovation in the classroom has been recognized with the Teaching Excellence Award from the College of Law at Australian National University in 2018 and by his standing as a finalist for Australian Legal Educator of the year in 2019.

In addition to his scholarship in Humanitarian Law, Dr. Drew researches and writes on the cultural underpinnings of genocide. While a JD student at Queen's, he wrote an award-winning paper on the topic of criminal justice reform in post-genocide Rwanda. In 2011 he was awarded the Vice Chief of the Defence Staff Commendation for his work assisting with the development of rule of law programs for militaries around the world.

**Norman Farrell** is the Prosecutor of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon (STL). Prior to his appointment as the Prosecutor of the STL in March 2012, Mr. Farrell was the Deputy Prosecutor of the U.N. International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY). Before being appointed Deputy Prosecutor he held various positions in the ICTY, as well as being Senior Appeals Counsel for the Office of the Prosecutor at the U.N. International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR). Prior to working for the United Nations, Mr. Farrell was the Legal Advisor on International Criminal Law and International Humanitarian Law for the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in Geneva. He also worked as the ICRC's Regional Legal Advisor for East Africa covering Ethiopia, Kenya and Tanzania, and spent 2 years in Sarajevo



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as a delegate with the ICRC. Prior to commencing his international law career, he worked for eight years as counsel in the Crown Law Office (Criminal) in Toronto and has argued before the Ontario Court of Appeal and Supreme Court of Canada.

Mr. Farrell has a B.A. (Hons) and an LL.B. from Queen's University and an LL.M. from Columbia University. Mr. Farrell has lectured extensively on IHL and international criminal law in various countries including the USA, Canada, Sweden, Bosnia, Cambodia and Indonesia.

**Katrina Gustafson** is currently Senior Litigation Counsel with the Enforcement Branch of the Ontario Securities Commission, a role she has held since January 2019. From 2005 to 2018 she worked as a Prosecutor with the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia where she conducted numerous trials and appeals of individuals charged with war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide. From 2002 to 2004 Ms. Gustafson was an associate at the New York office of Shearman and Sterling and between 2001 and 2002 she clerked for Justice Iacobucci at the Supreme Court of Canada.

Ms. Gustafson received an LL.B. from the University of British Columbia in 2001. In 2004-2005 she was a Hauser Global Scholar at New York University, where she completed an LL.M. with a specialization in international law.

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