

UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS - VARNA
FACULTY OF FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING
DEPARTMENT „LEGAL STUDIES “

ACCEPTED BY:

Rector:

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SYLLABUS

SUBJECT: “ INTERNATIONAL TRADE LAW”;

DEGREE PROGRAMME: „Business economics“; BACHELOR`S DEGREE

YEAR OF STUDY: 2nd course; SEMESTER: 4;

TOTAL STUDENT WORKLOAD: 180 h.; incl. curricular 60 h.

CREDITS: 6

DISTRIBUTION OF WORKLOAD ACCORDING TO THE CURRICULUM

<i>TYPE OF STUDY HOURSE</i>	WORKLOAD, h.	TEACHING HOURS PER WEEK, h
CURRICULAR:		
incl.		
• LECTURES	30	2
• SEMINARS (lab. exercises)	30	2
EXTRACURRICULAR	120	-

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I. ANNOTATION

The main goal of this course is the acquisition of knowledge for key legal issues in international trade. It focuses on the international organizations and international trade agreements. Settlements in disputes in international trade will also be discussed. International and national statutory materials will be examined in the effort to understand international trade law in theory and practice. The course will give the students knowledge on basic aspects of international trade law and skills for implementation in practice.

II. THEMATIC CONTENT

No. no ред	TITLE OF UNIT AND SUBTOPICS	NUMBER OF HOURS		
		L	S	L.E.
UNIT 1. INTERNATIONAL TRADE LAW		2	2	
1.1.	Introduction.	1	1	
1.2.	History.	1	1	
UNIT 2. SOURCES AND PRINCIPLES OF ITL		2	2	
2.1.	Sources.	1	1	
2.2.	Modern legal principles of international trade.	1	1	
UNIT 3. INTERNATIONAL TRADE ORGANIZATIONS		2	2	
3.1.	Introduction.	1	1	
3.2.	Types of international organizations.	1	1	
UNIT 4. UNITED NATIONS - 1		2	2	
4.1.	UN Economic and social council (ECOSOC).	1	1	
4.2.	UN Regional economic commissions UN.	1	1	
UNIT 5: UNITED NATIONS - 2		2	2	
5.1.	Commission on international trade law (UNCITRAL).	1	1	
5.2.	UN Conference on trade and development (UNCTAD).	1	1	
UNIT 6. GATT AND WTO		2	2	
6.1.	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).	1	1	
6.2.	World Trade Organization (WTO).	1	1	
UNIT 7. REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS		3	3	
7.1.	European Union (EU).	1	1	
7.2.	European Free Trade Association (EFTA).	1	1	
7.3.	Organization of the Black Sea Economic Organization (BSEC).	1	1	
UNIT 8. ORGANIZATION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN GOODS		1	1	
UNIT 9. NGOS ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE		2	2	
9.1.	International Chamber of Commerce (ICC).	1	1	
9.2.	International Union of Exhibitions and Fairs (IUEF).	1	1	
UNIT 10. INTERNATIONAL LEGAL PROTECTION OF FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENTS (FDI)		2	2	

10.1.	Differentiating FDI from other types of investment.	1	1	
10.2.	National regulations and international agreements for protection of FDI.	1	1	
UNIT 11. STATE AUTHORITIES FOR FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS		2	2	
11.1.	Domestic authorities.	1	1	
11.2.	External government bodies.	1	1	
UNIT 12. INTERNATIONAL TRADE AGREEMENTS - 1		2	2	
12.1.	Introduction.	1	1	
12.2.	Subject, object, structure	1	1	
UNIT 13. INTERNATIONAL TRADE AGREEMENTS - 2		2	2	
13.1.	Conclusion.	1	1	
13.2.	Performance.	1	1	
13.3.	Termination.			
UNIT 14: INTERNATION REGULATION OF TRANSACTIONS IN FOREIGN TRADE		2	2	
14.1.	Standard contract. General conditions.	1	1	
14.2.	International terms in foreign trade transactions.	1	1	
UNIT 15: DISPUTE SETTLEMENT IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE		2	2	
15.1.	Obligation of peaceful settlement of trade disputes between countries.	1	1	
15.2.	Dispute resolution: arbitration, judicial process.	1	1	
15.3.	Recognition and enforcement of foreign arbitral awards.			
Total:		30	30	

III. FORMS OF CONTROL:

No. by row	TYPE AND FORM OF CONTROL	№	extra-curricular, h.
1.	Midterm control		
1.1.	Test (mixed type questions)	2	20
1.2.	Work – with statutory instruments	1	30
1.3.	Comparative-legal research	1	15
1.4.		1	15
Total midterm control:		5	80
2.	Final term control		
2.1.	Examination (test)	1	40
Total final term control:		1	40
Total for all types of control:		6	120

IV. LITERATURE

REQUIRED (BASIC) LITERATURE:

1. **Simon Lester, Bryan Mercurio and Arwel Davis**, World trade law, Text, Materials and Commentary, 2nd edition, Oxford and Portland, Oregon, Hart Publishing, 2012
- 2.
- 3.

RECOMMENDED (ADDITIONAL) LITERATURE:

1. Carr, I., International trade law, L. 2014
2. Wharton, N., Fundamentals of Transnational Business Law, 2012
3. Владимиров, Ив., Международно търговско право, С. 2005