Course Unit Descriptor

Study Programme: Law

Course Unit Title: International Protection of Human Rights

Course Unit Code: 21.5134

Name of Lecturer(s): Professor Sanja Djajić

Type and Level of Studies: Master Academic Studies

Course Status (compulsory/elective): Elective

Semester (winter/summer): Winter semester

Language of instruction: English

Mode of course unit delivery (face-to-face/distance learning): Face-to-face

**Number of ECTS Allocated: 9** 

**Prerequisites:** None

**Course Aims:** Introduction to universal and regional instruments and mechanisms for international human rights protection. Students should get familiarized with the complex and decentralized system of international protection of human rights.

**Learning Outcomes:** Understanding the importance and functions of international human rights protection. Ability to interpret and apply international human rights instruments.

## **Syllabus:**

Theory

International legal sources of universal and regional character on human rights and their relationship with other international legal sources. Rules of interpretation as applied within the human rights context. National principles on implementation of international human rights law in national legal systems. Selected catalogue of human rights as envisaged in different human rights instruments: right to life, prohibition of torture, prohibition of slavery, right to freedom, right to a fair trial, right to privacy, freedom of expression, freedom of association, antidiscrimination clauses, right to property, right to education. Universal mechanisms for the protection of human rights: UN Human Rights.

Committee, CAT, CERD. Regional mechanisms for the protection of human rights: European Court of Human Rights.

Practice

Preparation of pleadings, moot court practice (group work), individual research papers.

## **Required Reading:**

Walter Kälin, Jörg Künzl, *The Law of International Human Rights Protection*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Oxford University Press, 2019. David Harris, Michael O'Boyle, Warbrick, *Law of the European Convention on Human Rights*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2018.

Weekly Contact Hours: 5 Lectures: 3 Practical work: 2

**Teaching Methods:** Lectures, seminars, student group work, moot courts.

## **Knowledge Assessment (maximum of 100 points):**

Pre-exam obligations	points	Final exam	points
Active class	30	written exam	50
participation	30	written exam	
Practical work	20	oral exam	

Preliminary exam(s)		
Seminar(s)		

The methods of knowledge assessment may differ; the table presents only some of the options: written exam, oral exam, project presentation, seminars, etc.