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# **International Criminal Law**

**Master in Laws**

## **INTRODUCTION TO THE COURSE**

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  - please confirm with website - Teams
  - email – always the best choice

## ABOUT ME

- **Magister (Poland), LL.M. (Canada), Ph.D. (Poland)**
- **Fulbright Scholar at the UConn Law School (US) and Visiting Professor at the UOttawa (Canada)**
- **former public prosecutor**
- **interests:**
  - **comparative criminal procedure**
  - **international criminal procedure**
  - **role of the prosecutor in criminal proceedings**



## COURSE OBJECTIVES

1. To provide basic knowledge concerning international criminal courts and tribunals.
2. To provide basic knowledge concerning principles of individual responsibility in international criminal law.
3. To provide basic knowledge concerning international crimes.
4. To provide basic knowledge with regard to the most important case-law of international criminal courts and tribunals.

## BOOKS AND MATERIALS

**Rome Statute** – download from the website

and

materials provided by a lecturer (my website)

recommended reading:

R. Cryer, H. Friman, D. Robinson, E. Wilmshurst, ‘An Introduction to International Criminal Law and Procedure’, CUP 2014 (**third edition**).

or

A. Cassese, P. Gaeta, ‘Cassese’s International Criminal Law’, OUP 2013 (**third edition**).

## METHOD OF INSTRUCTION

### **LECTURES** (20 hours in Semester – 10 lectures)

5 lectures by prof. Krzan

**5 lectures by dr Kremens**

### **CLASSES** (20 hours in Semester – 10 classes)

5 classes by prof. Krzan

**5 classes by dr Kremens**



## SCOPE

- **Prof. Krzan** – SUBSTANTIVE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW
  - set of provisions describing forms of conduct (crimes) that have an associated punishment (penalty) or security measure due to their socially intolerable character
- **Dr Kremens** – INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL PROCEDURE
  - set of legally regulated actions undertaken with a view to detect an offence and the offender (suspect, accused, perpetrator of a crime) putting the offender on trial, issuing a verdict regarding the offender's criminal liability and possibly, carrying out a sentence or other measures

## METHOD OF INSTRUCTION

### CLASSES

one joint grade

**to be able to attend exam you MUST pass classes**

### LECTURES

exam

- take home exam during exam session
- 48hours to answer the question (case style/essay) – between 3 and 7 pages



## CLASSES – evaluation

- **Prof. Krzan – 50 % (talk to Prof. Krzan what you need to do)**
- **Dr Kremens – 50 % (in class presentation)**



## CLASSES – presentations

- scope – **one of the ICC cases**
- presentations held by students on Teams during class time
- **Student's decision**
  - date of presentation, topic and name of students within group (2 persons)
  - registered by email
  - check PRESENTATION GUIDELINES
  - **deadline – November 3rd @ noon**
- **Confirmation of student's choices**
  - I will send email November 5th
  - schedule with assigned groups and topics



## CLASSES – **presentations** (2)

- schedule of presentations
  - November 12th – 3 groups
  - November 19th – 3 groups
  - November 26th – 3 groups
  - December 3rd – 3 groups
  - December 10th – 3 groups
- **Presentation Guidelines** – available on the website and send by email
- **Presentation Schedule** – will be posted on website and send by email on November 5th (after presentations will be confirmed)



## CLASSES – presentations (3)

- **Guidelines:**
  - group of 2 students (exceptionally 3)
  - topic of their choice (one of the cases held before the ICC; each group chooses different topic assigned by first come – first served i.e. who is first to send email)
  - length: **15-20 minutes**
  - both students must speak (not read!)
  - Power Point presentation or other presentation format (send to me the day before)
  - bibliography used to prepare the presentation must be attached to slideshow

how to find a topic for the presentation?

[www.icc-cpi.int](http://www.icc-cpi.int)

feel free to contact me regarding the choice of topic and any other issue concerning the presentation

**Never hesitate to ask!**