



Course Syllabus

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| Course Code LAW-187 | Course Title Diplomacy | ECTS Credits 6 |
| Prerequisites N/A | Department Law | Semester Fall |
| Type of Course Elective | Field International Relations | Language of Instruction English |
| Level of Course 1 st Cycle | Lecturer | Year of Study N/A |
| Mode of Delivery Conventional | Work Placement N/A | Corequisites N/A |

Course Objectives:

This course provides an introduction to the practice of diplomacy. It outlines the evolution of diplomatic practice and various approaches to diplomatic method. It also examines the different forms of diplomatic relations, bilateral and multilateral, institutions and processes, the provisions of diplomatic law and the latest developments and innovations in diplomatic conduct, including contemporary aspects of diplomatic practice, such as digital and public diplomacy.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

1. Illustrate familiarity with the evolution of modern diplomatic thought and practice.
2. Analyse the different types of diplomatic relation and contact and the work of diplomatic organisations such as foreign ministries and missions.
3. Compare the processes of negotiation, mediation, diplomatic communication, and the function of diplomatic protocol and law.
4. Assess in a critical manner the process of negotiation, mediation, diplomatic communication, and the function of diplomatic protocol and law.
5. Trace the development of multilateral diplomacy and its functioning.
6. Assess the impact of technology and of the new media on diplomatic conduct.
7. Develop oral and written communication skills in the formulation of conceptual problems and be able to organize the available time and cope with deadlines.
8. Demonstrate the learning skills, including use of IT, to allow them to continue education in a self-directed manner and to work on an academic level within the intended professional field.

9. Use libraries, bibliographical material and academic research in an efficient manner.

Course Content:

1. Origins and definition of diplomacy
2. The emergence of the Modern Diplomatic System
3. The New Diplomacy
4. Structure and functions of Foreign Ministries
5. Bilateral diplomatic relations
6. Diplomatic practice and protocol
7. Multilateral diplomatic relations
8. Negotiations
9. Contemporary aspects of diplomacy
10. Economic diplomacy
11. Public diplomacy
12. Digital diplomacy

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, class discussion, group exercises, case studies, online quizzes and discussion fora, presentations.

Assessment Methods:

Presentation, midterm, final exam.

Required Textbooks / Readings:

| Title | Author(s) | Publisher | Year | ISBN |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|------|-------------------|
| Modern Diplomacy (4th edition) | R.P. Barston | Routledge | 2013 | 978-1-4479-2141-7 |
| Contemporary Diplomacy | Geoffrey Allen Pigman | Polity | 2010 | 10: 0745642802 |

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

| Title | Author(s) | Publisher | Year | ISBN |
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| The Oxford Handbook of Modern Diplomacy | Andrew F. Cooper, Jorge Heine and Ramesh Thakur | Oxford University Press | 2015 | 9780198743668 |
| Diplomacy: Theory and Practice | G.R. Berridge | Palgrave Macmillan | 2015 | 9781137445506 |
| <i>21st Century Diplomacy: A Practitioner's Guide</i> | Kishan Rana | Continuum | 2011 | 978-1441168382 |
| <i>The Practice of Diplomacy: Its evolution, theory and administration</i> | Keith Hamilton and Richard Langhorn | Routledge | 2011 | 9780415497640 |