



# Exchange programme Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

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## Exchange

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam offers many English-taught courses in a variety of subjects, ranging from arts & culture and social sciences, neurosciences and computer science, to economics and business administration.

The International Office is responsible for course approval and course registration for exchange students. For details about course registration, requirements, credits, semesters and so on, please [visit the exchange programmes webpages](#).

# International Business Law

Course Code	E_IBA2_IBL
Credits	6
Period	P5
Course Level	200
Language Of Tuition	English
Faculty	School of Business and Economics
Course Coordinator	mr. dr. B.H.A. van Leeuwen
Examiner	mr. dr. B.H.A. van Leeuwen
Teaching Staff	mr. dr. B.H.A. van Leeuwen, mr. T. Scheele, mr. P.G. Vertin
Teaching method(s)	Study Group, Lecture

## Course Objective

### BRIDGING THEORY AND PRACTICE

**KNOWLEDGE:** Demonstrates theoretical and empirical knowledge concerning the relevant areas in international business law (IBL)

After successfully completing IBL you can

- recognize and appreciate the regulatory environment of the businesses' international operations;
- analyze commercial business issues and business concepts in legal terms in order to enhance and protect commercial value;
- understand and appreciate the design and functionalities of contractual relations and business organizations;

**APPLICATION:** Can propose a solution to an international real-life business problem by applying relevant legal theories and methodologies.

After successfully completing this course you can:

- apply major legal concepts to strategic and practical business issues in relation to commercial activities of internationally operating companies in order to reduce business risk;
- formulate the legal opportunities involved in doing business internationally;

**BROADENING YOUR HORIZON:** Can reflect on the international implications of professional and governmental decisions.

After successfully completing this course the student can:

- reflect about the role of law and legal institutions in international commercial relations
- reflect about applying processes and procedures to solve legal issues and disputes, combining theories and reasoning skills.

## Course Content

This course introduces the student to the core areas of law relevant for the world of business. Businesses have to deal with regulation in their operations, which usually restricts their behaviour: for example: environmental restrictions, restrictions in the processing of personal data and prohibition of anti-competitive behaviour. But law also offers opportunities for businesses to get a grip on their business environment by making use of business organizations (companies) and contractual arrangements (for example contractual relations in the supply chain and contracts for marketing and sales). You will learn the various ways in which you encounter law and regulation in business activities in an international business

environment.

## Additional Information Teaching Methods

Lectures

Tutorials

## Method of Assessment

Written exam

Practical assignment - group

Participation assignment

## Literature

B. Wernaart, International Business and Law, Noordhoff first print 2017  
(or latest edition)

Additional reading material on Canvas

## Additional Information Target Audience

Regular VU students, Exchange students.

## Explanation Canvas

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