CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION
AUDITING PROGRAMME

SEMESTER 1
2017/2018

COURSE DESCRIPTION BOOKLET

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Practice Area: Others
Training Category: Foundation
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CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION - AUDITING PROGRAMME

As part of its continuing legal education programme, the Law Faculty of the National University of Singapore is pleased to invite applications from legally trained persons to audit its regular elective courses. Participants will be issued Certificates of Participation if they have attained at least 75% attendance for the classes of the relevant course. No examination will be taken.

The Auditing Programme is approved as a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) activity by the Singapore Institute of Legal Education (SILE). Participants who are required to meet SILE’s CPD requirements may claim CPD Points. The aims of the CPD Scheme are to allow advocates and solicitors to (i) keep abreast of legal, regulatory and practice-related developments; (ii) become better equipped to handle their work on a daily basis; and (iii) to foster a sense of community building and camaraderie amongst the practitioners.

Participants who wish to claim CPD Points are reminded that they must comply strictly with the Attendance Policy set out in the CPD Guidelines. This includes signing in on arrival and signing out at the conclusion of the activity in the manner required by the organiser, and not being absent from each day of the activity for more than 15 minutes. Participants who do not comply with the Attendance Policy will not be able to obtain CPD Points for attending the activity. Please refer to www.sileCPDcentre.sg for more information.

Courses will commence in the second week of August 2017 and should end by Mid-November 2017 (except for the month-long intensive courses listed on pages 4 to 9). All classes will be held at the NUS Law Faculty in Bukit Timah Campus. The tentative class schedule is listed after the description of each course. Details of the finalised class schedules will be sent to participants after registration. The number of places available for each course is limited and registration will be on a “first-come-first-served” basis. Successful registrants will receive confirmation of their registration 1 to 2 weeks before the start of the course. Unless otherwise stated, the fee for auditing each course is S$1,284.00 (inclusive of 7% GST).

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The CLE Auditing Programme
Faculty of Law
National University of Singapore
Eu Tong Sen Building, 469G Bukit Timah Rd
Singapore 259776

The organizer reserves the right of cancellation. Full refund will be given to a registrant if a course is cancelled. We regret that no refund will be given in any other circumstances.

Applicants who wish to use the SkillsFuture Credit may refer to http://www.skillsfuture.sg/credit for more details.

For further enquiries, please contact Ms Poova at DID: 6516 3644 or email: clemail@nus.edu.sg.
ADVANCED CONTRACT LAW
COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR MINDY CHEN-WISHART

Advanced Contract Law invites students to examine selected topics from contract law in greater detail and conceptual depth. Questions include: What does contractual intention mean? Should the doctrine of consideration be abolished? Should promissory estoppel be a sword? What is the justification for mitigation and remoteness? What should be the aim of remedies for breach? Should account of profits be available? How should contracts be interpreted? When should terms be implied? Should substantive unfairness be controlled? How does and how should the law deal with change of circumstances? How should we understand the vitiating factors?

Module Details:

Classes:
Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)
Wednesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)
Fridays (2.30pm – 5.30pm)

Duration:
14 Aug - 1 Sep 2017 & Make up class for Fri, 1 Sep: Sat, 19 Aug (1-4pm)

COMPARATIVE CRIMINAL LAW
COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSORIAL FELLOW YEO MENG HEONG, STANLEY

This module introduces students to the application of the theory and methodology of comparative law to substantive criminal law. It builds on a student’s prior knowledge of a basic course in criminal law by comparing selected principles of the law with those found in Australia, Canada, England, India, New Zealand, Malaysia and Singapore. Topics covered include the fault elements of murder and negligent manslaughter, the principles of causation, consent in rape, joint liability, the defences of provocation, private defence, necessity and insanity, euthanasia, and the German and Dutch laws of homicide and attendant defences. The insights gained by students from comparative analyses of these topics will sharpen their appreciation of the strengths and weaknesses of the criminal law of particular jurisdictions, and enhance their ability to view law from wider theoretical, sociological and reform perspectives.

Module Details:

Classes:
Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)
Wednesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)
Fridays (2.30pm – 5.30pm)

Duration:
4 Sep - 22 Sep 2017
COMPARATIVE TRADEMARK LAW
COURSE CONVENORS: VISITING PROFESSORS MICHAEL HANDLER AND ROBERT BURRELL

This module takes a comparative approach to exploring what is meant by a trademark, the messages that trademarks communicate and the roles they perform. These are important enquiries because questions of what trademarks do and ought to do have a direct impact on the contours of the law. A major theme will be the relationship between trademarks and brands: to what extent should trade mark law be concerned with protecting brand value? What might a focus on brand value mean for competitors? Is a focus on brand value compatible with the logics of trade mark registration? These questions will be explored by reference to the laws of multiple jurisdictions, most significantly Australia, the EU, Singapore and the USA.

Module Details:

Classes : Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)
           Wednesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)
           Fridays (2.30pm – 5.30pm)
Duration : 4 Sep - 22 Sep 2017

COMPARATIVE EVIDENCE IN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION
COURSE CONVENOR: VISITING PROFESSOR JEFFREY WAINCYMER

This course considers the way that international adjudicators approach fact-finding and factual determinations. The course analyses essential policy questions as to the way legal systems should deal with evidence; considers comparative law perspectives; and aims to integrate these perspectives with practical consideration of the way documents and witnesses are dealt with in international arbitration. There is no greater divergence between legal families than that pertaining to the treatment of evidence. For international adjudication to meet the needs of participants from all legal families, a proper understanding of comparative approaches and the degree of convergence, is essential to arbitrators and practitioners.

Module Details:

Classes : Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)
           Wednesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)
           Fridays (2.30pm – 5.30pm)
Duration : 4 Sep - 22 Sep 2017 & Makeup seminar for Fri, 1 Sep: Wed, 13 Sep (1-4pm)

DEALS: THE ECONOMIC STRUCTURE OF BUSINESS TRANSACTION
COURSE CONVENOR: KWA GEOK CHOO DISTINGUISHED VISITOR, PROFESSOR MICHAEL KLAUSNER

This course applies economic concepts to the practice of structuring business transactions. The materials consist of case studies of actual transactions. Those case studies will be used to analyze the economics challenges that parties to a deal must address, and to analyse the mechanisms the parties use to address those challenges. The case studies will cover a selection from bond financings, acquisitions, movie financings, product licenses, biotech alliances, venture capital financings, cross-border joint ventures, private equity investments, corporate reorganizations, and more.
INTERNATIONAL & COMPARATIVE OIL & GAS LAW
COURSE CONVENOR: VISITING PROFESSOR DJAKHONGIR SAIDOV

This course explores principles and rules relating to the exploration for, development and production of oil and gas (sometimes described as "upstream oil and gas operations"). After an introduction to the geopolitics of oil, the course commences with an examination of different arrangements governing the legal relationship between states and international oil companies. It then moves on to consider the agreements governing the relationships between companies involved in upstream petroleum operations (joint operating and unitisation agreements) and the liability/risk allocation provisions commonly found in oilfield service contracts. It will conclude by examining key areas of regulatory law, notably the regulation of health and safety and the decommissioning of offshore installations.

JAPANESE CORPORATE LAW & GOVERNANCE
COURSE CONVENOR: VISITING ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR GEN GOTO

Japanese corporate law and governance are in a period of large transition since the beginning of the 21st Century, after experiencing rapid growth of 1960-70s and economic downturn of 1990s. This course provides an in-depth analysis of Japanese corporate law and governance, focusing on how the characteristics of Japanese corporate governance system that have once supported Japan's economic growth (e.g., insider-dominated board, lifetime employment system, cross-shareholdings, main bank) are now facing challenges and changes. Other important topics, such as shareholder litigation or minority shareholder protection in M&A, will be also covered. As analytical framework, this course takes a comparative and functional approach, focusing on difference between Japan, the United States of America (especially Delaware), and Singapore.
LAW OF AGENCY

COURSE CONVENOR: KWA GEOK CHOO DISTINGUISHED VISITOR, PROFESSOR FRANCIS REYNOLDS

The objective of this course is to familiarise students with the general law of agency. Agency problems are pervasive throughout the law: they are not confined to professional agents nor even to commercial law. We all act through and deal with agents the whole time. In the case of corporations, having no physical personality they can only deal through human agents. Most applications of agency reasoning are in the law of contract, but they also may arise in the law of tort, property and elsewhere.

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LAW OF MARINE INSURANCE

COURSE CONVENOR: VISITING ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR STEVEN J HAZELWOOD

This course aims to give students a firm foundation of existing law; a working understanding of standard form policies; and an understanding of the interaction between the Marine Insurance Act, case law and the Institute Clauses. Topics will include: types of marine insurance policies; insurable interest; principle of utmost good faith; marine insurance policies; warranties; causation; insured and excluded perils; proof of loss; types of losses; salvage, general average and particular charges; measure of indemnity and abandonment; mitigation of losses. This course will appeal to students who wish to specialise in either insurance law or maritime law.

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MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS

COURSE CONVENOR: VISITING PROFESSOR TUNDE OGOWEWO

This module is designed to introduce you to the Law of the Conduct of Mergers and Acquisitions (M&A) by considering the legal issues that arise in the conduct of public M&A transactions. The focus and context is UK and Singapore law. The UK is the largest and most advanced M&A market in Europe and the historical source (but not the juridical source) of a substantial part of M&A conduct norms in Europe and Singapore. UK M&A law also constitutes the template adopted by jurisdictions such as Hong Kong, India, South Africa, to name a few. As the transactions involve global players and market practice is global subject to local limitations the module clearly has global relevance.

Module Details:
MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT LAW
COURSE CONVENOR: VISITING PROFESSOR MICHAEL F STURLEY

This course covers the legal regimes governing the carriage of goods by two or more modes of transportation (e.g., ship, train, truck). It will address the history and development of various regimes that may govern multimodal transactions in whole or in part; examine the content of the more important regimes in greater detail; consider how those regimes relate to each other; and discuss potential future developments.

Module Details:

THE INTERNATIONAL LITIGATION & PROCEDURE OF STATE DISPUTES
COURSE CONVENOR: ADJUNCT LECTURER ALVIN YAP & ADJUNCT LECTURER KEVIN LEE

Taught by two public international law practitioners, this course invites participants to develop a more practical and strategic understanding of how a State deals with the various types of disputes it may face. Topics covered includes litigation and procedural considerations in inter-State, investor-State, human rights and international criminal disputes, and cross-cutting considerations like national security privileges, immunities, conflicts of public international law. The course will conclude with a seminar where senior practitioners of public international law share their views and insights on acting as a Government advisor and as an advocate.

Module Details:

THE TRIAL OF JESUS IN WESTERN LEGAL THOUGHT
COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR JOSEPH H.H. WEILER

The Trial of Jesus is an excellent case for students to learn how to conduct non-practical studies of legal and normative issues. It is, arguably, the most consequential legal event in the evolution of Western Civilization. We will examine the historical, political, and legal background to the Trial, and, especially, the procedural propriety of the Trial. Questions to be explored include: Were his procedural rights preserved during his trial before the Sanhedrin? Was his trial a miscarriage of justice? Through reflecting upon these and other questions, we will explore if and how this trial
shaped the Western culture. This module is also concerned with the 'method' or 'process' of how students digest and integrate 'substance' or 'content'. Thus, there is emphasis on the significance of understanding and clarifying, the complexity of each and every problem, and not only the importance of offering, or trying to offer, a clever solution to it.

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**TRADE FINANCE LAW**

**COURSE CONVENOR:** VISITING ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR CHRISTOPHER HARE

Trade Finance Law considers the different legal structures used to effect payment under, and disincentives breaches of, international agreements for the supply of goods and services. The course analyses and compares documentary and standby letters of credit, international drafts and forfaiting, performance bonds and first demand guarantees and export credit guarantees. Key topics will include the structure, juridical nature and obligational content of the aforementioned instruments; the nature of the harmonised regimes and their interaction with domestic law; the principle of strict compliance and its relaxation; documentary and non-documentary forms of recourse; the autonomy principle and its exceptions; and the conflict of laws principles applicable to autonomous payment undertakings. The course should be of interest to students who have already studied other components of international trade and/or who have an interest in international banking operations.

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**PATENT LAW AND PRACTICE: PERSPECTIVES FROM THE U.S**

**COURSE CONVENOR:** VISITING ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR DARYL LIM TZE WEI

This module will introduce patent law and policy in the United States, and how they relate to other systems of law, primarily U.S. trade secret and antitrust law. The course begins with central legal principles and policies, emphasizing the concepts and skills required of a new lawyer with a working knowledge of patent law. By the end of the course, students will understand the requirements for obtaining protection, the doctrinal elements of an infringement action as well as the various types of defenses and remedies available. Students will also gain a practice-oriented perspective of "real-world" issues facing inventors and companies as well as how those issues are consistent with, or in tension with, other interests. The focus of the class is on legal principles and polices. No technical background is necessary. Much of success in patent law practice depends and how well they can be communicated to judges, jurors, and clients without a technical background. This course is designed to equip students to do so. Patent law and policy is international by nature. By the end of the module, students will have the opportunity through panel discussions to apply their knowledge of
U.S. patent law and policy to critically examine how they converge or diverge with those in Singapore and the EU.

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- Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)
- Wednesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)
- Fridays, (2.30pm – 5.30pm)

Duration:
- 14 Aug - 1 Sep 2017 & Make up class for Fri, 1 Sep: Sat, 19 Aug (1-4pm)
SEASON COURSES

ADMIRALTY LAW & PRACTICE
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR PAUL ANDREW MYBURGH

This course will introduce the various concepts relating to the admiralty action in rem, which is the primary means by which a maritime claim is enforced. Topics will include: the nature of an action in rem; the subject matter of admiralty jurisdiction; the invocation of admiralty jurisdiction involving the arrest of offending and sister ships; the procedure for the arrest of ships; liens encountered in admiralty practice: statutory, maritime and possessory liens; the priorities governing maritime claims; and time bars and limitations.

Module Details:

Classes : Tuesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)

ASEAN LAW AND POLICY
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR TAN HSIEH-LI, TERESA

This course examines ASEAN's ongoing metamorphosis into a rules-based, tri-pillared (political-security, economic, and socio-cultural) Community pursuant to the mandate of the 2007 ASEAN Charter. It deals primarily with Law but is also attentive to the Non Law and Quasi Law aspects inherent in ASEAN's character as an international actor and regional organization; its purposes and principles; and its operational modalities, processes, and institutions. Students will grasp the complexities of ASEAN's conversion to the rule of law and rule of institutions within the context of international law and its frameworks; national competences and jurisdiction; and regional relations and realpolitik.

Module Details:

Classes : Tuesdays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)

AVIATION LAW & POLICY
COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR ALAN TAN

This course provides an insight into international civil aviation and the legal and regulatory issues facing airlines, governments and the common passenger. Issues raised include public air law and policy, aviation security in light of recent global developments and private air law. Emphasis will be placed on issues relevant to Singapore and Asia, given Singapore's status as a major aviation hub and the exponential growth of the industry in the Asia-Pacific. Topics to be discussed include the Chicago Convention on International Civil Aviation, bilateral services agreements, aircraft safety, terrorism and aviation security and carrier liability for death or injury to passengers. Competition among airlines will also be analysed, including business strategies such as code-sharing, frequent flier schemes and alliances. The severe competitive environment introduced by weakening economies, war and terrorism will also be discussed. This course will be relevant for individuals with a keen interest in air travel, and is designed for those interested in joining the aviation industry or large law firms with an aviation practice.
Module Details:

Classes : Tuesdays (12noon – 3.00pm)

CARRIAGE OF GOODS BY SEA
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR PAUL ANDREW MYBURGH

This course will focus on the different transport documents which are used in contracts for the carriage of goods by sea. This will include bills of lading, sea waybills, delivery orders. The course will examine the rights and liabilities of the parties to such contracts, including the shipowner, the charterer, the cargo owner, the lawful holder of the bill of lading etc. Major international conventions on carriage of goods, such as the Hague and Hague-Visby Rules, the Hamburg Rules, and the Rotterdam Rules will also be examined.

Module Details:

Classes : Thursdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)

CHINESE CORPORATE AND SECURITIES LAW
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WANG JIANGYU

This course covers the major aspects of company law and securities regulation in China, including the formation of companies, corporate finance, corporate governance, shareholders' rights, issuing of stocks and "going public", corporate mergers and acquisitions, as well as the regulation of the capital markets in China. The primary focus will be on providing students with a basic legal understanding of establishing business organizations in China and accessing China's capital markets for finance. Significant issues relating to corporate law and securities regulation will be discussed in the context of China's legal, business and policy environments in the reform period.

Classes : Mondays (9.00am - 12noon)

CHINESE LEGAL TRADITION & LEGAL CHINESE
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WANG JIANGYU

This is a skills course conducted entirely in Mandarin and is intended for students who possess knowledge of basic Chinese. Unfamiliarity with Chinese legal materials and inability to comprehend legal Chinese are common disadvantages faced by Singapore lawyers advising clients who do business in China. This course aims to deal with this. Students are given selected Chinese legal articles, statutes, court judgments and other legal documents and instruments to read and are required to undertake simple practice assignments in Chinese. They are expected to be able to explain Chinese legal concepts in Chinese. Aspects of Chinese legal culture will also be covered in the course.

Classes : Tuesdays (12noon – 3.00pm)
COMPARATIVE STATE AND RELIGION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA
MODULE CONVENOR: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR JACLYN NEO

How do Southeast Asian constitutions accommodate religion? Is secularism necessary for democracy? Do public religions undermine religious freedom? These are some of the questions we will be engaging with in this course. There are two segments to the course. In the first segment, we will examine general theories of state religion relations, including liberal assumptions of the dominant theory of the separation of church and state (the "disestablishment theory"), the rise and fall of the secularization thesis, and alternative theories.

During the second segment, we will examine state religion relations through topical issues in selected countries in Southeast Asia, including how legal systems in Singapore, Malaysia, and Indonesia accommodate Syariah Courts, and how separationist claims based on religious difference and identities are advanced in the Philippines and Thailand.

Module Details:

Classes : Tuesdays, (9.00am - 12noon)

CRIMINAL PRACTICE

COURSE CONVENORS: ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR ANAND NALACHANDRAN / ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR R. THRUMURGAN
CO-TEACHER: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR LIM LEI THENG

The administration of criminal justice in Singapore relies on an ethical, professional and skilled disposition and management of criminal cases. A good criminal practitioner needs a sound grounding in criminal law and criminal procedure, and a strong base of written and oral advocacy and communication skills. This is an experiential course that takes students through a case from taking instructions all the way through to an appeal, using the structure of the criminal process to teach criminal law, procedure and advocacy skills. Taught primarily by criminal law practitioners, this course will give an insight into the realities of criminal practice. From 2016, a new clinical component has been added which will give students the opportunity to work with lawyers volunteering on active cases.

Classes : Tuesdays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)

DEVELOPING STATES IN A CHANGING WORLD ORDER

COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR ANTONY ANGHIE

This course explores the changing role of developing countries in a changing international order. It does so by adopting an approach that combines history, theory, and doctrine. The course will examine the historical origins of the contemporary international legal system, and the theoretical debates that have accompanied its evolution, focusing in particular on relations between the Western and non-Western worlds. It will then examine selected topics of international law that are of current significance these may include international human rights law, the law relating to the use of force, the international law of trade and foreign investment.

Module Details:

Classes : Mondays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)
ENVIRONMENTAL LAW
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR LYE LIN HENG
CO-TEACHER(S): ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR LIM LEI THENG; ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR JOSEPH CHUN

This module is a compulsory module for students in the MSc (Environmental Management) [MEM] programme, and will now be open to law students. It is aimed at providing students with an overview of environmental law and its development, including the legal and administrative structures for their implementation, from the international, regional and national perspectives. It focuses on basic pollution laws relating to air, water, waste, hazardous substances and noise; nature conservation and wildlife trade laws, as well as environmental health and safety laws. In the context of national laws, Singapore’s laws and the laws of selected ASEAN countries will be examined.

Classes : Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)

EUROPEAN UNION LAW
COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR DAMIAN CHALMERS

This module has three elements. The first examines the public law of the European Union: its central institutional features; its legal authority and how it is policed. The second considers the central fields of EU law governing people’s lives within the European Union. These include the economic freedoms which provide for free movement within the European Union, EU citizenship and the euro. Finally, this module looks at those elements of EU law which particularly affect non EU citizens, both those living within the Union and those living beyond its borders.


Classes : Wednesdays (9.00am – 12noon)

GLOBALIZATION & INTERNATIONAL LAW
COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR SORNARAJAH M

Apart from the instruments of the World Trade Organization, there are other institutions and techniques which regulate international trade. The World Bank and the International Monetary Fund regulate certain aspects of trade. There are multilateral instruments which deal with issues such as corruption, ethical business standards, investment protection, competition and the regulation of financial services. The jurisdictional reach of large powers over international markets also provides means of self-interested regulation. The international regulation of new technologies such as internet and biotechnology pose novel problems. This course addresses the issues that arise in this area in the theoretical and political context of globalization.

Classes : Thursdays (9.00am – 12noon)
GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS: LAW, POLICY & PRACTICE
COURSE CONVENOR: ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR LEE CHING LING, YVONNE

This course focuses on law, policy and practice in three regulated areas in Singapore: (1) financial markets & sovereign wealth funds; (2) healthcare; and (3) real property. It adopts a cross-disciplinary and practice-related perspective in its examination of competing and overlapping interests and the relevant theories and principles of state regulation driving these fast-developing areas. It also examines the roles, rights and obligations of the Government as a regulator, the government-linked entities as market actors, businesses and individuals, and considers "market inefficiencies" relating to accountability, independence, legitimacy and transparency. Students are required to evaluate current substantive law and institutional norms and processes, review comparative models and approaches in other jurisdictions, and propose a model of optimal regulation in one selected area.

Module Details:

Classes : Tuesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION IN ASIAN CENTRES
COURSE CONVENOR: ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR PRAKASH PILLAI

This course will give the students an in-depth look at how cases proceed under the SIAC, HKIAC and MCIA rules, with some comparative coverage of the CIETAC and KLRCA rules. Highlighted will be the salient features of these arbitral institutional rules including the introduction of cutting edge procedures such as the emergency arbitrator and expedited arbitration procedures and consolidation/joinder. The course will also provide a comparative analysis of the arbitral legislative framework in Singapore, Hong Kong and India and offer an in-depth analysis, with case studies, of the role of the courts in Singapore, Hong Kong and India in dealing with specific issues such as challenges to tribunal jurisdiction, enforcement and setting aside of awards. Finally, the course will also look at the peculiar relationship between arbitration and mediation in Asia.

Module Details:

Classes : Mondays (9.00am – 12noon)

INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION
COURSE CONVENOR: ADJUNCT PROFESSOR LAWRENCE BOO GEOK SENG
CO-TEACHER: ADJUNCT PROFESSOR NEALE R GREGSON

This course aims to equip students with the basic understanding of the law of arbitration to enable them to advise and represent parties in the arbitral process confidence. Legal concepts peculiar to arbitration viz. separability, arbitrability and kompetenze-kompetenze will considered together with the procedural laws on the conduct of the arbitral process, the making of and the enforcement of awards. Students will examine the UNCITRAL Model Law and the New York Convention, 1958. This course is most suited for students with some knowledge of the law of commercial transactions, shipping, banking, international sale of goods or construction.

Module Details:

Classes : Wednesdays (9.00am – 12noon)
GLOBALISATION has made it more important for lawyers to be knowledgeable about the international aspects of litigation. This course focuses on the jurisdictional techniques most relevant to international commercial litigation: in personam jurisdiction, forum non conveniens, interim protective measures, recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments, public policy, and an outline of choice of law issues for commercial contracts. The course, taught from the perspective of Singapore law, based largely on the common law, is designed to give an insight into the world of international litigation. These skills are relevant to not only litigation lawyers, but also lawyers planning international transactions.

Classes: Mondays (9.00am – 12noon)

INTERNATIONAL COPYRIGHT LAW AND POLICY
COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR NG-LOY WEE LOON

The objective of this course is to enable students specializing in intellectual property law to be conversant with the operation of the major international and regional copyright systems, and the legal and policy issues underlying topics such as moral rights; performers’ rights; films; parallel importation; and conflicts of law. The different models adopted by various countries in each of these topics will be examined.

Module Details:

Classes: Fridays (9.00am – 12noon)

INTERNATIONAL DISPUTE SETTLEMENT
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR VINCENT-JOËL PROULX

What types of situations give rise to disputes in the international arena and how are these disputes settled? This course provides an overview of the various types of disputes and settlement mechanisms available for the resolution of international disputes - State to State, Individual/Investor to State and between international non-State entities. The course will explore the law pertaining to dispute settlement before the ICJ, WTO and ITLOS as well as international arbitration - both Investor to State Arbitration and Commercial Arbitration. The course will compare these different processes on issues such as jurisdiction, provisional remedies, equal treatment, evidence and enforcement.

Module Details:

Classes: Thursdays (12noon – 3.00pm)

INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & POLICY
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR TAY SEONG CHEE, SIMON

International law traditionally concerns itself with the relations between states, yet environmental problems transcend borders. International environmental law demonstrates how international norms can affect national sovereignty on matters of common concern. The course surveys international treaties concerning the atmosphere and the conservation of nature, and connections
to trade and economic development. Institutions and principles to promote compliance and cooperation are also examined. The course will assist students in their understanding of international law-making. It would be of use to those interested in careers involving international law, both for the government and public sector and those in international trade and investment.

Module Details:

Classes: Tuesdays (12noon – 3.00pm)

INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT LAW
COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR SORNARAJAH M

This course focuses on the nature of risks to foreign investment and the elimination of those risks through legal means. As a prelude, it discusses the different economic theories on foreign investment, the formation of foreign investment contracts and the methods of eliminating potential risks through contractual provisions. It then examines the different types of interferences with foreign investment and looks at the nature of the treaty protection available against such interference. It concludes by examining the different methods of dispute settlement available in the area. The techniques of arbitration of investment disputes available are fully explored.

Classes: Mondays (12noon – 3.00pm)

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS LAW AND PRACTICE
COURSE CONVENOR: ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR NANDAKUMAR PONNIYA
CO-TEACHER: ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR EDWIN LEE PENG KHOON

This course is intended to introduce students to the practice and law relating to international projects and infrastructure. The various methods of procurement and the construction process involved will be reviewed in conjunction with standard forms that are used internationally - such as the FIDIC, JCT and NEC forms, among others. Familiar issues such as defects, time and cost overruns and the implications therefrom (and how these matters are dealt with in an international context) will also be covered. The course will provide students with an understanding of how international projects are procured, planned and administered as well as give an insight into how legal and commercial risks are identified, priced, managed and mitigated. To give the course a practical perspective, practitioners from various disciplines in the region and beyond would be invited as guests to share their experience on issues that generally arise across various jurisdictions, such as China, India, Hong Kong, Vietnam, Malaysia, the United Kingdom and the Middle East (where available). At a time when competition for construction projects has become increasingly global, and when regional and international law firms are involved to a greater extent in advising on such projects, this course should prove to be both practical and timely.

Module Details:

Classes: Saturdays (9.30am – 12.30pm)
JURISPRUDENCE
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR NICOLE ROUGHAN

This is an advanced-level course which provides an opportunity for rigorous study about the nature of law and broader issues in legal and political theory such as the nature of rights, the nature of justice, and questions about (fair) distribution. The course will examine a range of salient topics related to these issues and will be taught entirely through interactive, discussion-intensive seminars, that will rely heavily on active class participation.

Module Details:

Classes: Fridays, (9.00am – 12noon)

LEGAL RESEARCH: METHOD & DESIGN
COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR ALEC STONE SWEET

The seminar is designed to prepare students to undertake original, primary research in law. Major topics and questions to be covered include: - how to write a good literature review and prospectus; - why one must have a method, or, how are "methods" and "data collection" related?; - what is research design?; - how to avoid, or manage, the problem of "selection bias." A major component of the seminar, students will assess a variety of published papers, as well as research projects presented by the faculty.

Module Details:

Classes: Thursdays (12noon – 3.00pm)

MEDICAL LAW AND ETHICS
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR TRACEY EVANS CHAN

This course addresses the legal and ethical issues that arise in modern healthcare and medical practice. Issues that are addressed include: consent to medical treatment, professional liabilities of healthcare professionals, confidentiality and privacy, end-of-life issues, assisted reproduction and human organ transplantation in Singapore. At the end of the course, students should be able to understand basic principles of medical ethics and appreciate the context in which healthcare is delivered in Singapore; Understand important legal and ethical issues that arise in healthcare; Know and understand how to apply the legal and ethical principles in the prevailing medical case law, legislation and professional ethics guidelines; Appreciate the countervailing arguments and values that relate to these issues; and Form and refine your opinions on what the best responses to these issues are.

Module Details:

Classes: Mondays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)
**MEDIATION/CONCILIATION OF INTER- & INVESTOR-STATE DISPUTES**  
**COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR LUCY REED**

Recent years have witnessed more state-to-state and investor-state disputes, with a substantial increase in resources spent on binding arbitration. Mediation and conciliation are rarely attempted and more rarely successful. This course introduces the student to methods of mediation and conciliation on the international law plane, and surveys existing institutional regimes (ie, ICSID, PCA, SIAC). The focus will then turn to identification and critical analysis of the special legal and policy obstacles to voluntary dispute settlement by states (including SOEs), as well as countervailing incentives. The scope is international, with some readings devoted to Asia. Students will study and critique precedents, and conduct basic mediation/conciliation exercises.

**Module Details:**  

**Classes:**  
Tuesdays (9.00am – 12noon)

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**MULTINATIONAL ENTERPRISES AND INTERNATIONAL LAW**  
**COURSE CONVENOR: ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR N JANSEN CALAMITA**

This module examines the evolving regime for the regulation and protection of multinational enterprises (MNEs) in international law. Although MNEs remain creations of domestic law, the cross-border activities of MNEs increasingly come within the scope of instruments creating obligations and/or rights in international law. In assessing the challenges faced by states and MNEs alike with respect to such transnational regulation, the module takes a rounded and interdisciplinary view of the issues involved, addressing both the commercial and social dimensions of MNE action. In addition to considering the regulatory powers of individual states, developments under international instruments on human rights, labour conditions, finance, taxation and investment are addressed.

**Module Details:**  

**Classes:**  
Fridays (9.00am – 12noon)

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**PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICT OF LAWS**  
**COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR TAN YOCK LIN**

The subject of conflict of laws addresses three questions: Which country should hear the case? What law should be applied? What is the effect of its adjudication in another country? This course includes an outline of jurisdiction and judgments techniques, but will focus on problems in choice of law, and issues in the exclusion of foreign law. Coverage includes problems in contract and torts, and other areas may be selected from time to time. This course is complementary to International Commercial Litigation, but it stands on its own as an introduction to theories and methodologies in the conflict of laws.

**Classes:**  
Thursdays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)
PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR THIO LI-ANN

This foundational course introduces the student to the nature, major principles, processes and institutions of the international legal system, the relationship between international and domestic law and the role of law in promoting world public order. Students will acquire an understanding of the conceptual issues underlying this discipline and a critical appreciation of how law inter-relates with contemporary world politics, its global, regional and domestic significance. Topics include the creation and status of international law, participation and competence in the international legal system, primary substantive norms such as the law regulating the use of force and enforcement procedures.

Module Details:

Classes: Wednesdays (12noon – 1.00pm) & Fridays (10.00am – 12noon)

RESTITUTION OF UNJUST ENRICHMENT
COURSE CONVENOR: MS LEOW PEI SI, RACHEL

This course is about the law of restitution for unjust enrichment. In particular, it is concerned with when a defendant may be compelled to make restitution to a claimant, because the defendant has been unjustly enriched at the claimant’s expense. It does not cover all of the law relating to gain-based remedies.

Module Details:

Classes: Mondays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)

SOCIOLOGY OF LAW
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR LYNETTE J. CHUA

The sociology of law studies law as a social institution. We will explore the relationships among law, social actors and other social institutions. This is in contrast to the legal academy's formalist approaches that treat law as autonomous and impartial, and jurisprudential concerns about law's morality. We will consider both theoretical and empirical, and classic and contemporary works in sociology of law. Issues covered include: law and classic social theory; law and contemporary social theory; law and power; the social construction of disputes and dispute resolution; law and organizations; legal mobilization; law, collective action, and social change; legal consciousness; and, sociological perspectives on the legal profession.

Module Details:

Classes: Mondays (12noon – 3.00pm)
THE EVOLUTION OF INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION  
COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR ALEC STONE SWEET

The module has three distinctive features. First, it compares international commercial arbitration (ICA) international investment arbitration (ISA). Second, it focuses on the evolution of arbitration, in particular, on the development of the procedures and substantive law that have gradually enabled arbitration to become a meaningfully autonomous legal system. Third, it surveys a variety of explanations for why the arbitral order has evolved as it has - into a more "judicial-like" legal order - focusing on the role of arbitral centres, state regulatory competition, and the reasoning of tribunals in their awards.

Module Details:  

Classes: Tuesdays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)

TRADE AND INVESTMENT LAW IN ASIA-PACIFIC  
COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR DAMIAN JOHN CHALMERS

Alongside the European Union the Asia-Pacific is becoming the central arena for trade and investment and its contestation within the world today. This module examines the global, regional and bilateral frameworks governing trade, investment, competition and migration across this region. It has three components. The first looks at how different organisations and regimes - the WTO, ASEAN, ASEAN Plus Agreements, BITS, NAFTA and Closer Economic Relations - interact to govern the region and the attempts to reform this, most notably through the TransPacific Partnership Process. The second looks at the detailed laws and processes governing trade in goods and services and investment. The final section looks at a number of further key policies: intellectual property, competition, the professions, and migration.

Module Details:  

Classes: Tuesdays (12noon – 3.00pm)

WORLD TRADE LAW  
COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR MICHAEL EWING-CHOW

The WTO is at the legal center of globalization. NAFTA is the prototype for an eventual Free Trade of the Area of the Americas. This course has professional and intellectual objectives. Professionally it aims to equip you to handle the principal WTO and NAFTA legal disciplines with proficiency and confidence. Intellectually it aims to understand globalization and its discontents in a critical and rigorous manner eschewing the bombast of the fierce public debate about these issues. This is a demanding course requiring regular attendance, consistent preparation and class room engagement. Do not enroll if you plan to coast but the rewards are commensurate with the effort. Non-American LLMs should not be scared away by the high demands of this course. They typically do as well in this course as their US counterparts.

Module Details:  

Classes: Mondays (9.00am – 12noon) & Thursdays (12noon – 3.00pm)

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