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CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

**AUDITING PROGRAMME
SEMESTER 1
ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/2019**



Public CPD Points: Up to 36 points
***Up to 63 points for (World Trade Law)**
Practice Area: Others
Training Level: Foundation

About the 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 obtain CPD Points must comply strictly with the Attendance Policy set out in the CPD Guidelines. For this activity, this includes having their attendance recorded in the manner required by the organiser, and not being absent from each day of a module for more than 15 minutes. Participants who do not comply with the Attendance Policy for any particular day of a module will not be able to obtain CPD Points for that day. Please refer to www.sileCPDcentre.sg for more information.

Courses will commence in the second week of August 2018 and should end by Mid-November 2018 (except for the month-long intensive courses listed on pages 2 to 6). 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 once registration is confirmed. 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).

While enrolment in the programme does not entitle auditors to library privileges, they may make a separate application to the library for use of its facilities.

To apply for the Auditing Programme, please submit a completed application form with a crossed cheque made payable to "**National University of Singapore**", and mail the documents to the address below. Application closes on **Thursday, 29 July 2018**.

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Singapore 259776

NUS Law 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.

INTENSIVE COURSES

ADVANCED CONTRACT LAW

COURSE CONVENOR: VISITING PROFESSOR MINDY CHEN-WISHART

Advanced Contract Law invites students to examine selected topics from contract law in greater details and conceptual depth.

Module Details:

http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4276%20Adv%20Contract%20Law-1810.pdf

Classes : Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Wednesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Fridays (2.30pm – 5.30pm)
Duration : 3 Sep to 21 Sep 2018

ADVANCED TORTS

COURSE CONVENOR: VISITING PROFESSOR CHRISTIAN WITTING

Advanced Torts is designed to build on and further your knowledge of tort law. The course is divided into two parts. In Part One, we will examine some fundamental concepts and debates surrounding tort law. The objective is to understand the nature, basis and purpose of the rights and obligations recognised by the law of torts. In Part Two, we will examine torts not already covered in the first year course. This will include consideration of important torts such as defamation, conversion, deceit and conspiracy. These torts will be examined by reference to the best of the literature and by a selection of representative cases.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4102-AdvancedTorts-CWitting%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4102-AdvancedTorts-CWitting%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Wednesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Fridays (2.30pm – 5.30pm)
Duration : 3 Sep to 21 Sep 2018

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, consent in rape, the fault element for joint criminal enterprises, the defences of provocation, private defence and insanity, criminalising euthanasia, 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 perspective.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4067-Comp%20Crim%20Law-SYeo%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4067-Comp%20Crim%20Law-SYeo%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Wednesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Fridays (2.30pm – 5.30pm)
Duration : 3 Sep to 21 Sep 2018

INTENSIVE COURSES

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:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4339-Compve%20Evid%20in%20Intl%20Arb%20JWaincymer%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4339-Compve%20Evid%20in%20Intl%20Arb%20JWaincymer%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Wednesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Fridays (2.30pm – 5.30pm)
Duration : 3 Sep to 21 Sep 2018

FREEDOM OF SPEECH: CRITICAL & COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVES

COURSE CONVENOR: KWA GEOK CHOO DISTINGUISHED VISITOR, PROFESSOR MARK TUSHNET

The objectives of the course are to provide you with an understanding of key theories of free speech, particularly in modern democracies, examine selected aspects of free speech law in a number of developed countries, including the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, and Singapore, familiarize you with canonical free speech cases.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4190-Freedom%20of%20Speech-%20MTushnet%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4190-Freedom%20of%20Speech-%20MTushnet%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Wednesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Fridays (2.30pm – 5.30pm)
Duration : 3 Sep to 21 Sep 2018

INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE OIL AND GAS LAW

COURSE CONVENOR: VISITING PROFESSOR JOHN B PATERSON

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.

Module Details:

http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4332-FairUse%201720-Jaszi.pdf

Classes : Mondays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Wednesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm); Fridays (2.30pm – 5.30pm)
Duration : 13 Aug to 31 Aug 2018
 *Make-up for Wed, 22 Aug on Sat, 18 Aug 1pm - 4pm

INTENSIVE COURSES

INTERNATIONAL SPACE LAW

COURSE CONVENOR: ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR GERARDINE GOH ESCOLAR

Globally, space-derived products and services combine assets and annual revenues in excess of USD350 billion. The year-on-year growth of the space economy is 9%, three times that of the global economy. This course discusses the international law regulating the use of, and activities in outer space. It will examine issues such as State responsibility, liability for damage, and environmental protection. It will then debate the law relating to various space sectors such as telecommunications, navigation, military and dual use, resource management, and human spaceflight.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4320-Intl%20Space%20Law-Escolar%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4320-Intl%20Space%20Law-Escolar%20(1810).pdf)

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

Duration : 13 Aug to 31 Aug 2018

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MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT LAW

COURSE CONVENOR: VISITING ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR MICHIEL SPANJAART

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:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4226-Multimodal%20Transport%20Law-Spanjaart%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4226-Multimodal%20Transport%20Law-Spanjaart%20(1810).pdf)

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

Duration : 13 Aug to 31 Aug 2018

SECURED TRANSACTIONS LAW

COURSE CONVENOR: VISITING PROFESSOR LOUISE JOAN GULLIFER

This course provides a comparative study of the law of secured transactions across the common law world. The first part covers the English law of security and title financing in depth. The second part looks at the notice filing model originally introduced in UCC Article 9 and now enacted as PPSAs in several other jurisdictions. The third part looks at reform of secured transactions law around the world, and, in particular, the Cape Town Convention and the UNCITRAL Legislative Guide and Model Law. This course will be of interest to anyone interested in the debt side of corporate finance, as well as those interested in transnational commercial law.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4148-SecuredTrans-LGullifer\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4148-SecuredTrans-LGullifer(1810).pdf)

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

Duration : 13 Aug to 31 Aug 2018

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INTENSIVE COURSES

SIAC AND INSTITUTIONAL ARBITRATION

COURSE CONVENOR: MR GARY BORN

Arbitral institutions are important stakeholders in the field of international arbitration, but the nature and importance of their role have often been overlooked. The course seeks to introduce participants to the role and function of arbitral institutions in the practice of international arbitration, and to the complex issues that arbitral institutions face in the administration of arbitrations, including, amongst others, appointment of arbitrators, issuance of arbitral rules and practice notes, and guiding and shaping the development of international arbitration. The course will be taught by visiting lecturers from the Board of Directors, Court of Arbitration and Secretariat of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC).

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4359Z-Outline-SIAC-GaryBornV2%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4359Z-Outline-SIAC-GaryBornV2%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Click [here](#) for the schedule

Duration : 27 to 30 Sep 2018

THE FULFILLED LIFE AND THE LIFE OF THE LAW

COURSE CONVENOR: KWA GEOK CHOO DISTINGUISHED VISITOR, PROFESSOR SCOTT BREWER

What is it to lead a fulfilled life? This was the central question for ancient philosophers, in both the east and the west, for whom philosophy was not only theory. It was a method designed to achieve both rigorous conceptual analysis and a fulfilled human life. In this course we will explore several of the methods philosophers have proposed for leading a fulfilled life and consider some of the rich suggestions or implications of these methods for leading a fulfilled life of the law, the life led by law students, lawyers, judges, and others interested in administering, shaping, or living according to law.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4345-FulfilledLife-SBrewer%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4345-FulfilledLife-SBrewer%20(1810).pdf)

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

Duration : 13 Aug to 31 Aug 2018

*Make-up for Wed, 22 Aug on Sat, 18 Aug 1pm - 4pm

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.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4219-Trial%20of%20Jesus-JWeiler%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4219-Trial%20of%20Jesus-JWeiler%20(1810).pdf)

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

Duration : 13 Aug to 31 Aug 2018

*Make-up for Wed, 22 Aug on Wed, 15 Aug 1pm - 4pm, Make-up for Fri, 24 Aug on Wed, 29 Aug 1pm - 4pm

INTENSIVE COURSES

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.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4322-Trade%20Finance-CHare%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4322-Trade%20Finance-CHare%20(1810).pdf)

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

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SEMESTER COURSES

ADMIRALTY LAW & PRACTICE

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR PAUL MYBURGH

CO-TEACHER: ADJUNCT PROFESSOR NEALE R GREGSON

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:

http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4002V%20Admiralty%20Law.pdf

Classes : **Tuesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)**

ASEAN LAW & POLICY

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR TAN HSIEN-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 organisation; 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:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4287V-ASEAN%20Law-Policy-THL%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4287V-ASEAN%20Law-Policy-THL%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : **Tuesdays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)**

CARRIAGE OF GOODS BY SEA

COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR STEPHEN GIRVIN

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:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4008AV-COGS-SGirvin%20\(1810-ver2\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4008AV-COGS-SGirvin%20(1810-ver2).pdf)

Classes : **Thursdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)**

SEMESTER COURSES

CHINESE CORPORATE & SECURITIES LAW

MODULE 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 (3.00pm – 6.00pm)

CHINESE LEGAL TRADITION AND LEGAL CHINESE

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WANG JIANGYU

This is a skills course conducted entirely in Mandarin and is intended for students who possess a 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 CORPORATE LAW

COURSE CONVENORS: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR DANIEL WILLIAM PUCHNIAK

This course examines the core legal characteristics of the corporate form across major jurisdictions. It draws on corporate law developments in the United States, United Kingdom, Singapore, Japan, Germany, and France to explain the common agency problems that are inherent in the corporate form and compares the legal strategies that each jurisdiction uses to solve these common problems. It also examines several of the most significant topics and policy debates in the burgeoning area of comparative corporate law and governance - with an emphasis on Asia. This course concludes with a discussion of how the comparative lessons learned may illuminate some of the most interesting and pressing issues facing corporate law and governance in Asia. The major topics covered in this course are: the universal corporate form; the ubiquitous problem of agency costs; the structural (in) efficiency of corporate boards; the delusion of corporate democracy; the myth of the independent director; the "stick" of shareholder litigation and "carrot" of executive compensation; regulating related party transactions and hostile takeovers; and, Asian corporate law and governance in a comparative context.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4173V-Comp%20Corp%20Law-DPuchniak%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4173V-Comp%20Corp%20Law-DPuchniak%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Thursdays (12noon – 3.00pm)

SEMESTER COURSES

COMPARATIVE STATE AND RELIGION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE 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:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4197V-CompState-ReligionSEA-JNeo%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4197V-CompState-ReligionSEA-JNeo%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Tuesdays (9.00am – 12noon)

CROSSING BORDERS: LAW, MIGRATION & CITIZENSHIP

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR JACLYN NEO

Singapore on a temporary or permanent basis, the evolution of immigration and nationality laws, as well as the domestic responses to key cross-border issues involving refugees and human trafficking. The discussions will be ultimately framed within a broader examination of what it means to be a citizen in a constitutional democracy. This is designed to be an interactive course with a balance between theory and practical application. Students will attain knowledge of diverse theoretical perspectives on migration and citizenship which will equip them to critically examine and analyze a range of important practical questions. The overarching question that students have to address is this: How should states respond to and balance rights claims by citizens, residents, and others within their borders?

Module Details: http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4012V%20Comp%20Consti%20Law.pdf

Classes : Thursdays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)

ENERGY ARBITRATION

COURSE CONVENOR: MR MATTHEW SECOMB & ADITYA SINGH

This course introduces international arbitration's role in resolving energy disputes. Seminars will address both commercial and investment arbitration. The substantive content of national and international energy laws will be discussed together with the procedural specificities of energy disputes. The course will explore the political aspects of energy disputes, both domestic (resource sovereignty) and international (inter-state boundary disputes). Participants will study the recent debates on the role of international arbitration *vis-à-vis* climate change and sustainable development. The course incorporates practical exercises that will help participants interested in a career in international arbitration and public international law.

Module Details: [http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4349V-Energy%20Arbitration-MSecomb%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4349V-Energy%20Arbitration-MSecomb%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Fridays (9.00am – 12noon)

SEMESTER COURSES

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR LYE LIN HENG

CO-TEACHER: 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 JOHN 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.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4069V-EU%20Law-DChalmers%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4069V-EU%20Law-DChalmers%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Wednesdays (9.00am – 12noon)

GLOBALIZATION AND 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)

SEMESTER COURSES

INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & POLICY

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR SIMON TAY

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:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4031V-Intl%20Env%20Law-STay%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4031V-Intl%20Env%20Law-STay%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Tuesdays (12noon – 3.00pm)

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 ICC, 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:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4317V-Intl%20Arb-Asian%20Centres-Pillai%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4317V-Intl%20Arb-Asian%20Centres-Pillai%20(1810).pdf)

INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR GARY BELL

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 confidently. Legal concepts peculiar to arbitration viz. separability, arbitrability and kompetenze-kompetenze will be 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:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4029V-ICA-Bell_website%20\(1820\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4029V-ICA-Bell_website%20(1820).pdf)

Classes : Wednesdays (9.00am – 12noon)

SEMESTER COURSES

INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR TAN YOCK LIN

Globalisation has made it more important for lawyers to be knowledgeable about the international aspects of litigation. This course focuses on the jurisdictional and recognitional techniques most relevant to international commercial litigation: in personam jurisdiction, forum non conveniens, interim protective measures, anti-suit and anti-enforcement injunctions, choice of court agreements, recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments, and public policy. 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 and to develop skills necessary to cope with issues of sovereignty, extra-territoriality, international comity, party autonomy, and defendant fairness. These skills are relevant to not only litigation lawyers, but also lawyers planning international transactions.

Classes : Mondays (12noon – 3.00pm)

INTERNATIONAL DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR VINCENT-JOEL 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:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4285V-IDS-VJP%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4285V-IDS-VJP%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Thursdays (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 : Tuesdays (12noon – 3.00pm)

SEMESTER COURSES

INTERNATIONAL LAW & ASIA

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR SIMON TAY

How does Asia relate to the international community and international law? The region's rich diversity of states and societies challenges assumptions of universality and also affects cooperation between states on issues such as human rights violations, environmental harm and the facilitation of freer trade. Yet a sense of regionalism within East Asia is growing, with new institutions and mechanisms to deal with these and other contemporary challenges in East Asia. The seminar will discuss key issues of law and legal approaches in Asia, such as sovereignty, as well as provide for presentations by students on research subjects.

Classes : Mondays (9.00am – 12noon)

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS LAW AND PRACTICE

COURSE CONVENOR: ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR NANDAKUMAR PONIYA

CO-TEACHER: ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR EDWIN LEE

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:

http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4164V-Intl%20Projects-1810.pdf

Classes : Thursdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)

INTERNATIONAL REGULATION OF SHIPPING

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR ROBERT BECKMAN

International Regulation of Shipping is an applied course in public international law. First, it examines the legal framework governing jurisdiction over ships in the 1982 UN Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) and its relationship to the conventions and work of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), the UN specialized agency responsible for regulation of international shipping. Second, it examines the processes whereby the IMO and other international institutions establish universally-accepted international rules and regulations governing merchant ships engaged in international shipping. Third, it examines the processes, procedures and mechanisms designed to ensure that flag States and port States effectively fulfill their international obligations so that international shipping, which carries more than 90% of the world's trade, is safe and secure and does not pollute the marine environment. The international regulation of shipping is of great importance to Singapore. Singapore is major port State and transshipment hub, with about 1000 vessels in port every day. Singapore is the top bunkering (refueling) port in the world. Singapore is also a major flag State, as the Singapore ship registry is among the top ten in the world. Singapore is an active member of the IMO, and has been elected as a member of its Council every year since 1993. Singapore is also a strong proponent of the rules-based legal order established in the 1982 UNCLOS, which guarantees passage rights for ships through the choke points in sea lanes of communication through Southeast Asia. Consequently, this course should be of interest to persons who intend to work in the maritime sector in Singapore or elsewhere.

Classes : Tuesdays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)

SEMESTER COURSES

LAW OF AGENCY

COURSE CONVENOR: PROFESSOR JAMES PENNER

The Law of Agency pervades human relations. It concerns dealing through others and as such is basic to all commercial and much private interaction between people. It is not possible to do everything ourselves: we often have to deal through others, for example buying goods from a shop assistant or ordering a meal in a restaurant. Commercial dealings are almost always conducted through others in some way. It must also be remembered that corporations have no physical existence and have to deal through real people, who are usually going to be agents. There are of course professional agents such as brokers, travel agents, freight forwarders, real estate agents, auctioneers and the like, but agency law is far from being confined to them.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4323V-Law%20of%20Agency-Penner%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4323V-Law%20of%20Agency-Penner%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Mondays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)

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:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4277V%20Medical%20Law-TEC%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4277V%20Medical%20Law-TEC%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : Mondays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)

MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS: A PRACTITIONER'S PERSPECTIVE

COURSE CONVENOR: ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR RACHEL TAN

This course will provide a practitioner's perspective on the bread and butter of any transactional practice: mergers and acquisitions (M&A) of non-listed, private companies. It will deal with the structuring of an M&A transaction (the why) and the plain vanilla aspects of documentation (the why and how of basic drafting). Many new graduates seem to be unable to see the wood for the trees. They arrive as trainees, with a reasonable grounding in the law, but an inability to apply it to real life situations. The practicalities elude them and they seem to want to follow templates without much understanding of the transaction. This course will attempt to give them a working knowledge of the issues to be considered in structuring a transaction. It will also cover the main features of standard documentation (bearing in mind that there is a discernible industry-standard set of documentation in common law countries) to explain why documents are drafted the way they are.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4327V%20MA-A%20PractPersp-RTan%20\(1810-1820\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4327V%20MA-A%20PractPersp-RTan%20(1810-1820).pdf)

Classes : Wednesdays (9.00am – 12noon)

SEMESTER COURSES

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)**

PRIVACY & DATA PROTECTION LAW

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR DAVID TAN & MR BENJAMIN WONG

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the law on privacy and data protection. It examines the various legal mechanisms by which privacy and personal data are protected. While the focus will be Singapore law, students will also be introduced to the laws of other jurisdictions such as the United States, the European Union, and the United Kingdom.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4350V-Privacy-Data%20Protection-BWong-DTan%20\(1810-1820\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4350V-Privacy-Data%20Protection-BWong-DTan%20(1810-1820).pdf)

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

PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW

COURSE CONVENOR: 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 sources of international law, participation, competence and responsibility in the international legal system, primary substantive norms such as the law on the use of force and enforcement procedures.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4050V-PIL-Thio%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4050V-PIL-Thio%20(1810).pdf)

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

SEMESTER COURSES

TAX PLANNING & POLICY

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR STEPHEN PHUA

CO-TEACHER: MR KENNETH WANG YE

This foundation course seeks to acquaint participants with a basic working knowledge of the most common income tax and GST tax issues faced by companies and individuals. As the primary focus of the course is the applicable tax laws that apply to transactions, participants are not expected to make tax computations. The course will be conducted in a practice-oriented approach. To enhance the learning outcomes, a hypothetical company undergoing the typical stages of setting up, raising of capital, recruitment of employees, executing the business plan will be used to illustrate the context in which tax issues arises. As the tax treatment of each receipt and expense will be considered at each stage, the discourse would entertain the extent to which tax avoidance is acceptable when a taxpayer chooses a commercial option that maximizes deductions, capital allowances and losses with a view to reduce the tax burden. In particular, the course will address the methods of achieving taxation-efficient remuneration packages, reduced tax burdens in raising capital via debt or equity and the use of other common methods of reducing the incidence of tax on returns from investments. Tax planning opportunities arising from the differences in tax treatment of sole proprietors, partnerships and companies will also be highlighted. On policy issues, concepts including economics of taxation, international trends and tax reform will be covered.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4056BVTaxPlanningPolicy-SPhua%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4056BVTaxPlanningPolicy-SPhua%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : **Tuesdays (6.30pm – 9.30pm)**

WORLD TRADE LAW

COURSE CONVENOR: ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR EWING-CHOW MICHAEL

The phenomenon of globalization over the last 50 years has been fuelled not just by technological innovation but also legal innovation. However, in 2016, the vote for Brexit in the UK and the election of Mr Donald Trump as the US President, has challenged the movement towards economic integration. Indeed, one of President Trump's first Executive Orders was to cancel the Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) that the previous Obama Administration had worked on for 5 years. It is thus, even more important than ever before to understand and appreciate the existing rules so as to promote the rule of law in what may be an increasingly protectionist environment. The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and its successor institution, the World Trade Organization (WTO) have attempted to create a system where the rules for the trade in goods and services are clearer and fairer. The legal innovations found in the GATT and subsequent WTO Agreements have also influenced Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) like the TPP and even International Investment Agreements (IIAs). Fundamental to the WTO disciplines is the principle of non-discrimination. The problem often is, however, what constitutes discrimination, whether such discrimination can be justified and whether non-economic factors such as health and the environment or other public policy considerations can modify the rules. This tension in World Trade Law is a theme in both the disciplines for trade in goods and services as well as the agreements on standards like the TBT and SPS as well as even the trade remedies rules such as Safeguards, Subsidies and Anti-Dumping.

Module Details:

[http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4060B-World%20Trade%20Law-MEC%20\(1810\).pdf](http://www.law.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listing/docs/LL4060B-World%20Trade%20Law-MEC%20(1810).pdf)

Classes : **Mondays (9.00am – 12noon) & Thursdays (3.00pm – 6.00pm)**