

ANNEX 2 – COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course title	International Humanitarian Law				
Course code	LAW-322				
Course type	Elective				
Level	Undergraduate				
Year / Semester	3 rd /E				
Teacher's name	Afxentis Afxentiou				
ECTS	6	Lectures / week	3 hours per week	Laboratories / week	
Course purpose and objectives	<p>The purpose of this course is the study and critical analysis of the legal framework of international humanitarian law, which regulates, among others, the prohibition of some means and methods of warfare; the protection of fighters who no longer take part in hostilities (e.g. wounded, prisoners of war); the protection of civilians; situations of belligerent occupation; the protection of the environment and of cultural heritage during armed conflict; and the implantation of settlers into occupied areas. In addition to the traditional matters, this course examines contemporary challenges facing international humanitarian law, such as ‘the war on terror’ and cyberwarfare. Finally, this course discusses the consequences stemming from grave violations of international humanitarian law, namely the application of the rules of international criminal law.</p>				
Learning outcomes	<p>At the end of the course, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understand the basic concepts and rules of international humanitarian law • critically analyse the basic concepts and rules from different perspectives • apply these basic concepts and rules to hypothetical and real questions • The course is organised in a way that guides students to approach with a critical attitude and analytical thinking the structure, legal framework and contemporary challenges of international humanitarian law. 				
Prerequisites	None	Required	None		
Course content	1. Introduction				

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Basic principles and rules of international humanitarian law 3. Protected persons 4. Means and methods of war 5. Law on belligerent occupation 6. Law on belligerent occupation 7. Human rights within the context of armed conflicts 8. War on terror and other contemporary challenges 9. War on terror and other contemporary challenges 10. International criminal responsibility for violations of international humanitarian law 11. International criminal responsibility for violations of international humanitarian law 12. International criminal responsibility for violations of international humanitarian law
Teaching methodology	Powerpoint presentations, discussion, practical examples, case-law analysis, assignments and presentations.
Bibliography	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vassileios Karatzias, Vassileios Zalidis, Alexandros Lioutas, <i>Handbook of the Law of Armed Conflict</i> (Sakkoulas Publishing, 2022). 2. Maria Daniella Marouda, 'International Humanitarian Law' in Constantine Antonopoulos and Constantinos Magliveras (eds), <i>The Law of the International Society</i> (4th edn, Nomiki Vivliothiki, 2022). 3. Maria Daniella Marouda, <i>International Humanitarian Law</i> (Sideris Publishing, 2015). 4. Yoram Dinstein, <i>The Conduct of Hostilities under the Law of International Armed Conflict</i> (3rd edn, Cambridge University Press, 2016). 5. Dieter Fleck (ed), <i>The Handbook of International Humanitarian Law</i> (4th edn, Oxford University Press, 2021). 6. Jean-Marie Henckaerts and Louise Doswald-Beck (eds), <i>Customary International Humanitarian Law</i> (Cambridge University Press, 2005).
Assessment	<p>Mid-term: 30%</p> <p>Participation: 20%</p> <p>Final exam: 50%</p>

Language	Greek
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