COURSE DETAIL

INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW
Country Netherlands
Host Institution Utrecht University
Program(s) Utrecht University
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Legal Studies
UCEAP Course Number 102
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW
UCEAP Transcript Title INTL ENV LAW
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

Our planet is faced with many environmental problems that can only be solved through international cooperation. Air pollution, pollution of rivers, the degradation of the oceans and its living resources, climate change, ozone depletion, loss of biodiversity, and international trade in hazardous waste are only a few examples of environmental issues that are addressed by international environmental law. The course starts with a general introduction into the subject and then continues with a series of lectures addressing specific environmental issues of international concern. The general introduction covers the historical development and main sources of international environmental law and key actors. It also covers the most important general rules and principles of international environmental law and the concept of sustainable development. The course then focuses on several substantive issues and the associated multilateral environmental agreements and/or applicable rules of customary international law. These issues include the protection of the atmosphere (air pollution, ozone depletion and climate change), international water courses, the oceans, biodiversity and nature conservation. The course also addresses several horizontal issues including responsibility and liability for environmental damage and the particularities of the process of law-enforcement in this field. The class then discusses the relationship between international environmental law and international economic law. This last session highlights the reciprocal impact of these two fields of law and shows how their relationship is essential to achieve sustainable development objectives. The course is designed to provide students with firsthand experience of international environmental law in practice. The practical skills of students are trained in a reality-based simulation.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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