COURSE DETAIL

INTERNATIONAL CONSTITUTIONAL LAW AND DEMOCRACY
Country Norway
Host Institution University of Oslo
Program(s) University of Oslo
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Legal Studies
UCEAP Course Number 107
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title INTERNATIONAL CONSTITUTIONAL LAW AND DEMOCRACY
UCEAP Transcript Title INTL CONST LAW&DEM
UCEAP Quarter Units 8.00
UCEAP Semester Units 5.30

Course Description
This course introduces students to current changes of international and European law in the direction of forming more comprehensive regimes, applying supranational legal forms, applying international courts, and attaining the qualities of constitutional legal systems. The course also gives an introduction to the theories of democracy which are relevant to the new constitutional levels. It is suggested in international constitutional theory that, instead of a dichotomy between national and international law, we are now increasingly seeing forms of combination, overlapping, and interdependence between several constitutional levels of law. Particular emphasis is on the constitutional character of the European Union/European Commission treaties and the European Economic Area treaty. This is partly because these treaties presently are the most comprehensive international treaties seen from the point of view of the nation-states and their regulatory traditions, but also partly because there is a rich legal literature around them. The course discusses how the evolution of an increasing Europeanization and internationalization has influenced the legal concepts of sovereignty, democracy and nation-state, and more comprehensively the concepts and the discourse of constitutions and constitutionality. The concept of citizenship is discussed within the new and more international constitutional framework. The evolution of a more international and European orientation of the European nation-states is put into a historical perspective. There are also articles discussing normative aspects of this evolution and how it should be described legally, institutionally, and normatively.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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