

Basic information

Classification	Graduate Course	Grade Level	1 · 2
Timetable Slot Code	3J393(Assoc : 4J033、3J763)	Lecture category	2nd semester
Course title	ELS-M Lecture (Trade Liberalisation and Labour Rights)(Assoc : Special Course, ELS Lecture (Trade Liberalisation and Labour Rights)、ELS-D Lecture (Trade Liberalisation and Labour Rights))	Day · Period	Other
Main Instructor	TAKAHASHI Hiroshi	Credit(s)	1.0
Syllabus form	lecture	Numbering code	

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Detailed information

Lesson topic	"Transnational commerce, migration, and culture have transformed the world into a single globalized marketplace" (T. Friedman, The World is Flat, Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2005). This change of perspective (called "globalization") has had an enormous impact not only on trade but also on many branches of the law, such as labor law. The course aims are providing students with the legal tools to deal with the contemporary process for determining, in particular, how to reach a balance between labor rights and economic interests in the global environment.
Lesson target	Course objectives follow: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - analyzing the sources, levels, and actors involved in the trade liberalization trend, - examining the similarities and differences in terms of human rights and labor rights, and - understanding the main legal issues and challenges involved in balancing economic interests with social needs. By the end of the course, students should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - have advanced knowledge of the topic, - be able to identify and analyze the legal issues related to the topic, - conduct basic research on the topic, and - exhibit critical thinking skills.
Syllabus and plan	Seven lectures will be delivered for the period February 7–10 as follows: February 7, 8, and 9 (3:10–6:30 p.m.); February 10 (5:00–6:30 p.m.). After dealing with the keywords (the main concepts related to trade liberalization and labor rights, such as globalization, free trade, fair trade, sustainable development, human rights, and social rights), the focus will be on the levels (national, supranational, international, and transnational), actors (states, governmental and nongovernmental organizations, trade unions, corporations, courts, and consumers), and sources (hard law versus soft law) involved in this field and their interactions.
Evaluation method	Students will be required to attend at least 60% of the classes to be able to sit for the exam. The exam will be written and administered at the end of the course (more details will be given in class).
Evaluation baseline	Using the method stated above, grades will be determined in accordance with the degree to which objectives are achieved.
Notice (include info. on related class)	The course will be held via ZOOM (more details will be provided later). Students are encouraged to keep their video cameras unless they experience technical difficulties. The detailed course syllabus, including lecture materials, will be distributed to students during the course.
Review and preparation	The details will be announced during the first lesson.
Office hour · Contact information	The office hours in February are as follows: February 21 (4:30–6:30 p.m.), February 24 (4:30–6:30 p.m.), February 25 (4:30–6:30 p.m.), and February 28 (4:00–6 p.m.). Please feel free to contact me anytime at francesca.marinelli@unimi.it to arrange a different date/time.
Message for student	Active participation of the students in class is encouraged.
Improvements in Teaching	
Text	Labour Laws and Global Trade / Bob Hepple : Hart publishing ,2005 ,ISBN:1 8411 3160 1

Reference Material	Labour Law and Sustainable Development ("Massimo D'Antona" Working Paper No. 130/2016) / Tiziano Treu : http://csdle.lex.unict.it/ ,2016 ,ISBN:1594-817X
Classroom Language	English
Keywords	Labour Rights, Trade Liberalisation, Globalisation
Reference URL	ILO: COVID-19 and the World of Work World Trade Organization European Union

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TAKAHASHI Hiroshi	Graduate School of Law
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