

**FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA**  
**2024-25 COURSE REGISTRATION - PRELIMINARY COURSE INFORMATION (PCIS)<sup>1</sup>**

<b>COURSE</b>	LAW 330 Public International Law
<b>UNIT VALUE</b>	1.5 Units (3 hours of instruction per week)
<b>INSTRUCTORS</b>	Asad Kiyani
<b>TERM OFFERED</b>	Fall 2024
<b>CLASS TIMES</b>	See Schedule
<b>PREREQUISITES/COREQUISITE</b>	None

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course is designed as a basic course to introduce students to Public International Law. Public International Law is the legal system that States have created to provide order in state-to-state relationships. This course unpacks the history of this system, its key principles and concepts, and contemporary spheres of application.

Fundamental aspects of the course therefore include a study of public international law's sources, its interaction with Canadian domestic/national law, and international legal dispute resolution. A critical lens is adopted throughout the course, with special emphasis on the roles of imperialism and colonialism in forming and facilitating international law, the theories and methods of Third World Approaches to International Law, and the role of international law in internal disputes in settler- and post-colonial states.

### **COURSE STRUCTURE/EVALUATION/MATERIALS**

The course is primarily lecture driven.

Students will have a choice of evaluation methods: (a) research paper or project plus part of the final exam; (b) major research paper plus part of the final exam; or (c) final exam only.

Please note that the above evaluation structure is subject to change. Students should confirm the evaluation structure at the start of the course, and prior to the expiry of the Add/Drop period. Please note major research papers can only be written in this course at the discretion of the instructor.

*May 2024*

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<sup>1</sup> The information in this document is provided for course registration purposes only and is **subject to change**. More detailed course information about course content and evaluation will be provided upon the commencement of the course. Students seeking additional information about the course prior to its commencement may contact the instructor or, if no instructor is listed, the Manager of Academic Administration and Student Services ([lawmaass@uvic.ca](mailto:lawmaass@uvic.ca)).