

FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA
2024-25 COURSE REGISTRATION - PRELIMINARY COURSE INFORMATION SUMMARY (PCIS)¹

COURSE	LAW 332 International Trade Law
UNIT VALUE	1.5 Units (3 hours of instruction per week)
INSTRUCTOR	David Yarwood
TERM OFFERED	Spring 2025
CLASS TIMES	See Schedule
PREREQUISITES/COREQUISITES	None

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course explores the major legal and policy aspects of the international trade regime. The emphasis is upon core principles of international economic law applicable to the regulation of international trade and how those principles govern state behaviour. Particular attention is paid to multilateral rules under the World Trade Organization (WTO) as well as Canada's regional and bilateral free trade agreements.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

By taking this course, students will:

- i. develop their knowledge and understanding of the core principles of international economic law applicable to the regulation of international trade;
- ii. learn to interpret the WTO and free trade agreement legal texts;
- iii. become knowledgeable about the WTO and free trade agreement dispute settlement systems and international trade jurisprudence;
- iv. study and critically evaluate the ways in which trade rules are used to encourage the free flow of goods and services and to achieve other government priorities; and
- v. develop research and writing skills in international economic law.

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

A variety of teaching methods will be employed during the course including lectures, student presentations, class discussion and problem analysis.

Classes will normally be in person. Some classes may take place remotely.

EXPECTED METHOD(S) OF EVALUATION (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Evaluation methods will depend on course enrollment numbers.

Low enrollment: Mid-term exam (40%), research paper (40%) and class presentation (20%).

Higher enrollment: Mid-term exam (40%), comment paper (10%) and final exam (50%).

May 2024

¹ 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 Law front office (law.studentservices@uvic.ca)