

General Information			
Course name	Regionalism and International Law	ECTS Credits	5
		Semester	winter/summer

Aims

The aim of the course is to introduce regionalism in conditions of International Public Law, as well as the impact of the regionalism it has had on international law. First of all it appears to be necessary to discuss basic elements of regionalism, its content, terminology, and individual types of regionalism in form of old and new regionalism. Special attention will be paid to treaty and institutional regionalism. Regional system of the European Union present extraordinary influence to regionalism nowadays. As one of the most developed regional groups, it represent well established regional system with legislative, executive and judicial organs which inspire development of regional groups in other regions. In accordance to European union and its cooperation with other regional groups, there is necessary to introduce also interregionalism as one of the new phenomenon in regionalism, as well as Rule of Law and its specifications in different parts of the world. Rule of Law as guarantee for law enforcement is important for strengthening of regional human rights systems.

Content

1. International organizations as new subjects of International Law and its institutionalism
2. Place and position of international organizations within International Law system
3. Regionalism and International Law
4. Old and new regionalism
5. Treaty and institutional regionalism
6. Interregionalism
7. Regionalism and the Rule of Law
8. Relation of regionalism and regional organizations with respect to general International Law

Assessment Methods and Criteria

The final grade is based on in-class participation, written home assignment and oral assignment. Written assignment shall be based on individual research on an agreed topic discussed during the course.

Rules of academic honesty apply to the written work. Written assignment may be returned for revision if it will not meet the demanded criteria. Oral assignment

comprises of the discussion on topics presented during the course. The student shall not be admitted to the oral assignment without presenting written assignments in due time.

Grading Scale (in %):

Grading System:

The University recognises the following six degrees for the evaluation of the study results:

- a) A – excellent (excellent results) (numerical value 1)
- b) B – very good (above average results) (1.5)
- c) C – good (average results) (2)
- d) D – satisfactory (acceptable results) (2.5)
- e) E – sufficient (results meet the minimum criteria) (3)
- f) FX – failed (requires further work) (4)

Bibliography

Klučka, J., Elbert, L.: Regionalism and Its Contribution to General International Law. Košice: UPJŠ in Košice, 2015, 236 s., ISBN 978-80-8152-316-8.

