

International Organizations

<u>Title of course in Hungarian:</u>	Nemzetközi szervezetek
<u>Language of instruction:</u>	English
<u>Department:</u>	Institute of Social Science and International Studies
<u>Type of course:</u>	ERASMUS course
<u>Form of course:</u>	full time
<u>Level of programme:</u>	
<u>Number of lessons per week:</u>	2 lessons / week
<u>Semester</u>	autumn or spring semester
<u>Credit point value:</u>	6 credits
<u>Code of course:</u>	
<u>Prior course(s) required:</u>	-
<u>Course supervisor:</u>	Prof. Dr. Gábor Sulyok
<u>Lecturer(s):</u>	Prof. Dr. Gábor Sulyok

Course description, purpose of the course:

The course introduces students to the history of international organizations, their general characteristics, structural features and decision-making procedures. General theoretical knowledge is supplemented by detailed information on selected past and present international organizations, including the League of Nations, the United Nations and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Course requirements include the presentation of a selected universal or regional international organization in class.

Presentations should be based on individual research and should include, as appropriate, the historical background of the selected organization, the process of establishment, the original and present scope of membership, the conditions of membership, the principal organizational units, the functions and powers of organizational units, the decision-making procedures of organizational units, and a short personal assessment of the activities of the organization. The list of selectable international organizations will be distributed in class; organizations not included in the list may be selected with permission only.

Course outline, description of acquired knowledge, skills and competences:

1. History of international organizations
2. International organizations: General introduction
3. International organizations: General introduction (continued)
4. League of Nations
5. United Nations: History and establishment
6. United Nations: General Assembly
7. United Nations: Security Council
8. United Nations: Economic and Social Council and Secretariat

9. North Atlantic Treaty Organization

10. Presentations

11. Presentations

12. Presentations

Interim course requirement(s): attendance of classes, individual assignment (presentation)

Type of evaluation: exam evaluation / course performance evaluation

Method of evaluation: written / oral exam

Obligatory course materials:

Szalai, Anikó – Várkonyi-Gültekin, Gizem: International Organizations – In Law and Practice. Szeged: Szegedi Tudományegyetem Állam-és Jogtudományi Kar Nemzetközi és Regionális Tanulmányok Intézet, 2021. [available online]

Material of lectures

Related international instruments

Recommended additional sources:

Basic Facts about the United Nations. Forty-second edition. United Nations Department of Public Information, New York, 2017. [available online]

Amerasinghe, Chittharanjan F.: Principles of the Institutional Law of International Organizations. Second edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2005.

Blahó, András – Prandler, Árpád: Nemzetközi szervezetek és intézmények [International Organizations and Institutions] Fourth edition. Budapest: Akadémiai Kiadó, 2014.

Cogan, Jacob Katz – Hurd, Ian – Johnstone, Ian (eds.): The Oxford Handbook of International Organizations. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016.

Fejes, Zsuzsanna – Sulyok, Márton – Szalai, Anikó (eds.): Interstate Relations. Szeged: Iurisperitus Kiadó, 2019. [available online]

Hárs, Ernő: A nemzetközi szervezetek világa [The World of International Organizations] Budapest: Gondolat Kiadó, 1982.

Kelsen Hans: The Law of the United Nations: A Critical Analysis of Its Fundamental Problems, with Supplement. London: Stevens & Sons Ltd., 1951. [available online]

Klabbers, Jan: An Introduction to International Organizations Law. Third edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2015.

Prandler, Árpád: Az ENSZ Biztonsági Tanácsa [The UN Security Council] Budapest: Közgazdasági és Jogi Könyvkiadó, 1974.

Reinalda, Bob (ed.): Routledge Handbook of International Organization. London, New York: Routledge, 2013.

Reinalda, Bob (ed.): Routledge History of International Organizations: From 1815 to the Present Day. London, New York: Routledge, 2009.

Sands, Philippe –Klein, Pierre (eds.): Bowett's Law of International Institutions. Sixth edition. London: Sweet & Maxwell, 2009.

Bruno Simma et al. (eds.): The Charter of the United Nations: A Commentary. Third Edition. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012.

Sulyok Gábor: Az Egyesült Nemzetek Szervezetének Biztonsági Tanácsa: összetétel, szavazás, reform [The United Nations Security Council: Composition, Voting, Reform] Budapest: CompLex Wolters Kluwer, 2009.