OBJECTIVES

This course provides an overview of the theory, practice and context of international criminal justice. Students will learn about the origins of individual criminal responsibility for international crimes; the historical development of international criminal law; the rationales and justifications for international criminal punishment; the intersection between national and international jurisdiction for the prosecutions of international crimes; the basic practice of various international criminal tribunal. Although this course does not study the substantive definitions of international crimes in-depth, students will become familiar with basic principles of international crimes as well.

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

This class is taught as a discussion-led, seminar-style course. Class time will be divided between lectures by the instructor, and class presentations and discussions that are led by students. Readings will introduce and explore related issues, and students will direct discussions within the group.

EXPECTED EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

NB – this is preliminary and subject to change

Mandatory:
1. Class Attendance & Participation – 10%
2. Presentation (or equivalent) – 25%
4. Research Paper – 50%

Non-Mandatory:
1. Optional Assignment (with permission of the instructor)
2. Major Research Paper (with permission of the instructor)

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