



Lectures conducted in English – Spring Semester 2021

Title of Lecture/Module	ECTS	Lecturer(s)	Content/Link
Artificial Intelligence: Technology and Law Link	6	Florent Thouvenin	<p>Machines are increasingly capable of performing tasks considered to require "intelligence" if performed by human beings. Recent developments in the field of Artificial Intelligence (AI) are fueled by novel data processing technologies, ever growing amounts of data, and increased computing power. AI systems come with great promises and opportunities, but they also raise concerns in many respects, and they pose significant challenges to the application of today's legal order. Accordingly, regulators around the globe are currently investigating if and how the law should be adapted to meet these challenges.</p> <p>This course provides participants with an interdisciplinary view on Artificial Intelligence by focusing on the capabilities of AI systems and the regulatory as well as technical responses in Switzerland and Europe. In doing so, it also highlights some of the fundamental differences in preventing undesired outcomes in law and computer science and challenges all participants to reflect on practical solutions for the future.</p>
Contemporary History of Law Link	6	Elisabetta Fiocchi Malaspina	<p>The course will focus the attention on the 16th to the 20th centuries, scrutinizing the «modern» development of State's theories and the creation of the international law system; the complex and contradictory relations between violence and law, between war and law, between race and law, between (in)equality of man and law and finally between economy and law. The course will outline and analyse the legal consequence of entanglements, interactions, collisions of law and relate this to the nature and construction of the social order from a historical perspective.</p> <p>Reading of primary sources combined together with a critical reconstruction on law and jurists in their context will be done during the course.</p>



Cross-Border Litigation / Complex Procedure Link	6	Samuel P. Baumgartner	<p>The module covers either: (1) international aspects of civil litigation in national courts, or (2) complex litigation in national courts involving a multitude of participants, such as bankruptcy proceedings, class or other forms of group actions, or collective redress.</p> <p>The precise content of the course will be announced separately for every semester in which it will be taught.</p> <p>In spring 2021, this will be a course on U.S. class actions, taught by Professor Baumgartner.</p> <p>The purpose of this course is for you to learn some of the basics of U.S. class action law and practice. This should enable you to come to a first, tentative evaluation of what works, what does not, what is special to the United States, and what is perhaps portable to other jurisdictions considering introducing some form of collective redress. The focus is on federal class actions, that is, on Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and the case law interpreting and developing it.</p>
European Institutions Link	6	Johan Robert Rochel	<p>Selected questions of constitutional/institutional law of the EU and of the bilateral relations between the EU and Switzerland; a special focus lies on the discussion of current developments and challenges (e.g., Brexit, fundamental rights, democratic legitimacy, rule of law, EU external relations law, the EU and the People, Swiss-EU relations and institutional issues). For a more detailed description of this course and the course programme, please visit our website</p> <p>https://www.ivr.uzh.ch/de/institutsmitglieder/oesch.html</p>
European Private Law Link	6	Yesim M. Atamer Helmut Heiss Leander D. Loacker Andreas Kellerhals	<p>Although Switzerland is not formally a Member State of the European Union, European legislation is highly relevant for Swiss courts and jurisprudence, since EU Market Law is also implemented and applied in Switzerland in different contexts. The most important examples stem from the fields of EU Consumer Law, EU Competition Law, EU Company Law and EU Insurance Law.</p> <p>Building on the four market freedoms and the efforts of legislative alignment within the EU Single Market, the course aims at presenting the main precepts of substantive private law created by the European Union and to make students aware of the peculiarities of its</p>



			application in Member States as well as in Non-Member States such as Switzerland.
Foundations and Trusts Link	6	Dominique Jakob Michelle Kalt Nathalie Peter	The course will deal with the fundamentals of (private and charitable) foundations with a focus on Swiss and Lichtenstein law; it will further deal with Trusts and the recognition of Trusts under the Hague Trust Convention.
History of European Legal Science Link	6	José Luis Alonso Ulrike Babusiaux Wolfgang Ernst	The foundations of today's private law were largely laid from the twelfth century onwards within the "learned law" tradition, when the young European Universities, like Bologna, began to study the decisions of the ancient Roman jurists and Emperors, as compiled by Justinian in the later called Corpus Iuris Civilis. The legal concepts, structures and methods developed in a scholarly environment by these learned lawyers shaped also the legal practice ("reception") in most of Europe ("ius commune"). Through multiple incarnations and reinventions, this Romanistic tradition managed to survive in one form or another the tectonic shifts that marked the political history of Europe up to the modern Era and, starting at the end of the 18th century, provided the basic material for the creation of the national codifications of civil law and for legal dogmatics.
History of International Law Link	6	Oliver Diggelmann	The course aims to deepen the students' understanding of contemporary international law and international relations. It asks about epoch thresholds and continuities and sheds light upon the genealogy of important rules. In the first part of the course, we will discuss topics such as: "beginnings" of international law and diplomatic relations, international law and colonization, peace and stability, decolonization, world wars and collective security, the emerging age of human rights. In the second part, a number of participants will be given the opportunity of making a presentation on a topic jointly agreed upon. The slots for presentations are limited.
International Commercial Arbitration (incl. Workshop International Commercial Arbitration) Link	6	Ulrich Haas Felix Dasser Anya George Daniel Girsberger	The module provides students with a level-appropriate overview of the basics and practice of arbitration and thus provides insight into conflict resolution instruments that are particularly important for international business. Lectures by experienced, internationally active experts ensure a high degree of practical relevance. In order to obtain 6 ECTS credits, students must attend the workshop, which includes discussion of practical issues of international commercial arbitration.



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International Commercial Arbitration (Wirtschaftsrecht) Link	3	Ulrich Haas Felix Dasser Anya George Daniel Girsberger August Reinisch Anne Hossfeld Annett Rombach	The module provides students with a level-appropriate overview of the basics and practice of arbitration and thus provides insight into conflict resolution instruments that are particularly important for international business. Lectures by experienced, internationally active experts ensure a high degree of practical relevance.
International Criminal Law Link	6	Frank Meyer	<p>The first part of the lecture will introduce students to the foundations, goals, and present-day challenges of international criminal law. Students will be acquainted with the crimes of genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes, and aggression. The course will briefly discuss issues of sentencing and enforcement of sentences.</p> <p>The second part of the lecture will be dedicated to the enforcement of ICL.</p> <p>Jurisdiction over international crimes, the evolution of international tribunals, and international criminal procedure will be discussed in the context of the present political environment. Particular attention will be paid to the legal options available to avert impunity in today's ongoing conflicts.</p>
International Economic Law Link	6	Christine Kaufmann	The course addresses different forms of economic cooperation in public international law. It will discuss the multilateral world trade system (WTO), international investment regulations and international monetary law and their interactions with other areas of international law such as environmental and human rights law.
International Finance Law Link	6	Samuel Kern Alexander Marco Dell'Erba	This course has been specially designed to examine the role of financial law and regulation in the operation of financial markets. It is also designed to contribute to enhanced understanding of the rationale, methods and institutional design of the



			regulation and supervision of financial markets.
International Human Rights Link	6	Christine Kaufmann Ron Popper	The course will provide an overview of the current international human rights regime: It will cover the main international and regional human rights instruments and the different monitoring mechanisms. A substantial part of the Course is dedicated to the discussion of cases.
Internet Law Link	6	Demian Stauber	<p>Students will gain a deeper understanding of various internet-specific legal issues, namely in the area of Internet Governance, Data Protection, E-Commerce, and Copyright Law; The focus will (mostly) be on European law.</p> <p>The course consists of three parts: (1) seven introductory lectures from February-April; (2) writing of the paper in March/April; and (3) a two- day recess in early May. During the recess, the students will have to present their findings and discuss them with the professor and their fellow students.</p>
Introduction to Chinese Business Law Link	3	Esther Nägeli	<p>China's economic development and its importance as a global player for Europe and Switzerland are increasingly becoming the focus of our own economy.</p> <p>The shift in global forces is making us more and more aware of the dependencies between China and other economic areas, especially Europe and the USA.</p> <p>In addition to an introduction to Chinese business law, an overview of corporate law, commercial law, intellectual property and competition law will be given. The central topics in the field of trade and investment in China are covered and the economic, cultural and social background is highlighted.</p> <p>In addition to her academic qualifications, the lecturer Dr. Esther Nägeli has many years of practical experience in China projects and is currently a partner in a law firm specializing in this area.</p>
Introduction to Sports Law Link	6	Ulrich Haas Jan Elmar Kleiner	The course will primarily cover the following topics: sports organisation and governance, rules and regulations (including financial stability, anti- doping and fight against match-fixing), dispute resolution.



Introduction to U.S. Civil Procedure Link	6	Samuel P. Baumgartner	Introduction to U.S. civil procedure. We will focus particularly on those aspects of U.S. civil procedure that are quite different from continental European civil procedure and, in some cases, different from civil procedure anywhere else in the world.
Introduction to U.S. Business Law Link	6	Andreas Kellerhals	The lecture offers an introduction and an overview of the most important business law regulations in the United States. After an introduction to the US-American legal system and the most important "players", individual areas of business law will be dealt with in depth and compared to EU and Swiss rules. It is also planned to involve US lawyers for individual lectures.
Legal Sociology Link	6	Christoph Beat Graber	This course undertakes an in-depth discussion on the fundamental issues concerning the relationship between law and society, with questions in respect to history, methodology and philosophy of science playing an important part. In doing so, specific questions on the functioning and meaning of law in modern legal systems will be addressed. The significance of legal sociology in the various workings of the law will be elucidated based on practical examples.
Reproductive Medicine, Law and Ethics Link	6	Andrea Büchler	The course addresses legal and ethical issues involved in reproductive medicine (including germ cell donation, surrogacy, genetic selection). It will adopt a comparative perspective. This course has a place restriction. A maximum number of 15 students can sign up for the course. It is available for Master of Law or PhD students only (no Bachelor students). The registration period ends on 5 February 2021.
Transnational Public Security Law Link	6	Tilman Altwicker	Issues of transnational public security are a fascinating field of study for lawyers. This course is designed for students interested in International, Comparative and European Law, and how these increasingly shape our global and domestic security environment. The course will reflect a wide range of contemporary security problems, such as terrorism, transnational organized crime, maritime security, cyber security, and cross-border hooliganism. A crucial question to be studied throughout the course is how to integrate human rights into the new global security environment. Teaching will mainly be case-based, multidisciplinary (drawing, for example, on international relations) and will involve some comparative legal work.