

Syllabus with complementary course regulations

**Theory and Policy of International Economic Law, 7.5 higher education credits,  
7.5 ECTS credits**

*Established by the Research Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Law, by virtue of Chapter 2, Section 5 of the Higher Education Act and Chapter 6, Sections 14 and 15 of the Higher Education Ordinance.*

**General**

The course is worth 7.5 higher education credits (7.5 ECTS credits) and is a complementary course for a postgraduate study programme leading to a Doctor of Laws degree, established 9 February 2015 by the Research Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Law at Uppsala University.

The course may be taken as an independent postgraduate course.

The course is conducted in English, or in Swedish if all course participants are Scandinavian.

**Prerequisites and admission**

The general prerequisite for the course is eligibility for admission to postgraduate programmes in law, legal science or economic sciences.

Decisions on admission are taken by the course instructor.

**Overarching goals and content**

The course addresses the theory of legal science and jurisprudence with an emphasis on international investment and trade law.

The overarching goal of the course is to provide in-depth knowledge and greater expertise in the above research areas.

The course covers:

1. The theory of various policies – considerations pertaining to entering international investment and trade agreements.
2. The connection between international economic law and foreign policy.
3. The interplay between international trade law and international investment law – underlying driving forces and methodology questions.
4. Legislative developments in international economic law via the International

Court of Justice and international arbitration courts and tribunals.

### **Instruction**

Instruction consists of seminars (at least 20 hours), course paper seminars, and authoring a course paper. Examiner duties will be assigned at the course paper seminars.

All instruction as well as the course paper and implementation of examiner duties are required. Decisions on exemptions are taken by the course instructor.

### **Examination**

The final course paper comprises the course examination.

The grades awarded are pass (P) and fail (F).

The examiner is the course instructor or an individual appointed by the course instructor.

### **Required reading material:**

- Wellens, *Economic Conflicts and Disputes Before the World Court (1922-1995), a Functional Analysis* (1996)
- Broude, Bosch, Porges (eds.), *The Politics of International Economic Law* (2011)
- Sacerdoti (ed.), *General Interests of Host States in International Investment Law*, (2014)

and any additional literature as determined by the course instructor.

### **Course instructor**

Kaj Hobér, Professor of International Investment and Trade Law