



Course and Examination Fact Sheet: Spring Semester 2021

8,473: Global Health Law

ECTS credits: 4

Overview examination/s

(binding regulations see below)

Decentral - Written examination (75%, 90 mins.)

Examination time: term time

Decentral - Presentation (in groups - all given the same grades) (25%)

Examination time: term time

Attached courses

Timetable -- Language -- Lecturer

[8,473,1.00 Global Health Law](#) -- Englisch -- [Planzer Simon](#)

Course information

Course prerequisites

While in principle the course is open to all students, previous exposure to legal courses or public policy issues and/or international and European law is of clear advantage. Students without previous exposure to these matters would be expected to acquire basic knowledge on their own.

Learning objectives

- Students understand the impact of regulatory choices on public health.
- Students critically assess regulation and its legislative motives.
- Students are able to read and meaningfully use empirical data for the course and their presentations.

Course content

This course is situated at the intersection of health, regulation, and morality. Looking at global public health issues, we examine the role that regulation can play, namely in controversial fields that raise questions of public morality. We discuss legitimate public health (e.g., prevention of addiction) and morality concerns (e.g., human dignity) and contrast them with vested interests (e.g., economic protectionism).

In this course, we try to distinguish sound regulation from regulatory failure. Notably, we deal with the unintended negative consequences of regulation for public health. We illustrate these important public health and regulatory issues along controversial examples such as gambling, alcohol or drug policies.

The course aims to identify hands-on practical findings and at the same time requires significant intellectual, empirical curiosity from students. It relies on an interactive Socratic teaching method and requires students to substantially contribute to the course contents. By way of discussing illustrative examples and controversial court cases we explore and develop the bigger themes of this course.

The geographic scope ranges from public health issues at supranational (European Union), global (World Trade Organization; United Nations) as well as national and local level.

Course structure

The course is structured in 6 sessions of 4 hours each. The course will be conducted online.



Course literature

The reading materials will be provided for advance preparation of the classes and will be uploaded on Canvas for most parts prior to the classes.

Additional course information

The course is conducted online via the platform Zoom. The recordings of the course are available for 30 days.

In the case of the President's Board having to implement new directives due to the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic in SpS2021, the examination information listed below would be changed as follows:

- The presentation & written examination are conducted online and are being recorded.

Examination information

Examination sub part/s

1. Examination sub part (1/2)

Examination time and form

Decentral - Written examination (75%, 90 mins.)

Examination time: term time

Remark

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Examination-aid rule

Extended Closed Book

The use of aids is limited; any additional aids permitted are exhaustively listed under "Supplementary aids". Basically, the following is applicable:

- At such examinations, all the pocket calculators of the Texas Instruments TI-30 series and mono- or bilingual dictionaries (no subject-specific dictionaries) without hand-written notes are admissible. Any other pocket calculator models and any electronic dictionaries are inadmissible.
- In addition, any type of communication, as well as any electronic devices that can be programmed and are capable of communication such as notebooks, tablets, mobile telephones and others, are inadmissible.
- Students are themselves responsible for the procurement of examination aids.

Supplementary aids

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Examination languages

Question language: English

Answer language: English

2. Examination sub part (2/2)

Examination time and form

Decentral - Presentation (in groups - all given the same grades) (25%)

Examination time: term time

Remark

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Examination-aid rule

Practical examination

No examination-aid rule is necessary for such examination types. The rules and regulations of the University of St. Gallen apply



in a subsidiary fashion.

Supplementary aids

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Examination languages

Question language: English

Answer language: English

Examination content

Written exam: All subjects covered in the course, including the texts made available on Canvas.

Presentation: Group assignment (presentation during the course) on a topic directly relating to the course contents.

Examination relevant literature

The texts made available on Canvas until a week after the final session.

Please note

Please note that only this fact sheet and the examination schedule published at the time of bidding are binding and takes precedence over other information, such as information on StudyNet (Canvas), on lecturers' websites and information in lectures etc.

Any references and links to third-party content within the fact sheet are only of a supplementary, informative nature and lie outside the area of responsibility of the University of St.Gallen.

Documents and materials are only relevant for central examinations if they are available by the end of the lecture period (CW21) at the latest. In the case of centrally organised mid-term examinations, the documents and materials up to CW 12 are relevant for testing.

Binding nature of the fact sheets:

- Course information as well as examination date (organised centrally/decentrally) and form of examination: from bidding start in CW 04 (Thursday, 28 January 2021);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for decentralised examinations: in CW 12 (Monday, 22 March 2021);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised mid-term examinations: in CW 12 (Monday, 22 March 2021);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised examinations: two weeks before the end of the registration period in CW 14 (Thursday, 8 April 2021).