Course and Examination Fact Sheet: Autumn Semester 2022

7,491: Climate Change Law

ECTS credits: 4

Overview examination/s
(binding regulations see below)
Decentral - examination paper written at home (individual) (100%)
Examination time: term time

Attached courses
Timetable -- Language -- Lecturer
7,491,1,00 Climate Change Law -- Englisch -- Young Margaret

Course information

Course prerequisites
The course requires basic knowledge public international law; students taking the course should have such knowledge, in particular of subjects, sources and responsibility. Participants who are not sufficiently familiar with international law should read a general textbook (eg Vaughan Lowe, International Law, 2007) before attending class. Participants should be prepared to participate actively in class discussions.

Learning objectives
Acquire knowledge about a specialized area of international law;
Learn about the particular legal challenges posed by climate change;
Gain experience in applying general international law;
Practice your discussion and writing skills.

Course content
This course addresses the generational challenge that is climate change from a legal perspective. It looks at means and methods the law develops to address climate change, as well as the challenges and obstacles the law faces. The aim of the course is to provide a critical understanding of the law as it attempts to come to grips with climate change. Incidentally, students gain a deeper understanding of the principles and policy factors that underlie general international law, including sources, the law of treaties and principles of state responsibility.

Course structure and indications of the learning and teaching design
The course will be taught in person in blocks; a kick-off will take place online.

Course literature
A reader will be made available online. The course is designed to be interactive, so students should read the literature before attending class.

Additional course information
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Examination information

Examination sub part/s

1. Examination sub part (1/1)

Examination time and form
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Remark
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Examination-aid rule
Term papers

Written work must be written without outside help according to the known citation standards, and a declaration of authorship must be attached, which is available as a template on the StudentWeb.

Documentation (quotations, bibliography, etc.) must be carried out universally and consistently according to the requirements of the chosen/specified citation standard such as e.g. APA or MLA.

The legal standard is recommended for legal work (cf. by way of example: FORSTMOser, P., OGOREK R., SCHINDLER B., Juristisches Arbeiten: Eine Anleitung für Studierende (the latest edition in each case), or according to the recommendations of the Law School).

The reference sources of information (paraphrases, quotations, etc.) that has been taken over literally or in the sense of the original text must be integrated into the text in accordance with the requirements of the citation standard used. Informative and bibliographical notes must be included as footnotes (recommendations and standards e.g. in METZGER, C., Lern- und Arbeitsstrategien (latest edition)).

For all written work at the University of St.Gallen, the indication of page numbers is mandatory, regardless of the standard chosen. Where page numbers are missing in sources, the precise designation must be made differently: chapter or section title, section number, article, etc.

Supplementary aids
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Examination languages
Question language: English
Answer language: English

Examination content

All materials contained in the online reader and discussed in class.

Examination relevant literature

the entire reader.
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 (CWS1) at the latest. In the case of centrally organised mid-term examinations, the documents and materials up to CW 42 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 34 (Thursday, 25 August 2022);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for decentralised examinations: in CW 42 (Monday, 17 October 2022);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised mid-term examinations: in CW 42 (Monday, 17 October 2022);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised examinations: two weeks before the end of the registration period in CW 45 (Monday, 7 November 2022).