

Course Name : Law, Reconciliation and Reconstruction of Post-conflict Society							
Course Code	Course Type	Regular Semester	Lecture (hours/week)	Seminar (hours/week)	Lab. (hours/week)	Credits	ECTS
LAW 406	C	Spring	3.00	1.00	0.00	3.50	6.00
Lecturer		Ferdinand Xhaferaj, PhD					
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Course language		Albanian					
Course level		Master					
Description		Justice is thought to contribute to the restoration and maintainance of peace in the following eays: by stablishing individual accountability, deterring future violations, establishing an historical record, promoting reconciliation and healing, giving victims a means of redress, removing perpetrators and supporting capacity-building and the rule of law.					
Objectives		Individualization and de-collectivization of guilt, would help bring about peace and reconciliation where blame might otherwise be placed on entire nation or ethnic groups leading to never-ending cycles of violence.					
Core Concepts							
Course Outline							
Week	Topic						
1	Introduction: What issues does this course cover? We begin with a discussion of some of the issues arising from contemporary conflicts (nationalism; religion; race etc)						
2	International Criminal law: what can we learn from the past? What can we expect from the ICC?						
3	International Humanitarian Law: A general overview						
4	Justice and Reconciliation: An integrated Approach						
5	Nuremberg’s Legacy and the Modern Criminal Justice System						
6	The Fall of the Berlin Wall and the Emerging Toolkit of Transitional Justice - Rebuilding justice systems after conflict. The 'rule of law revival						
7	The International Tribunal for Former Yugoslavia: Is Justice Effective in a Time of War? Case study: Bosnia						
8	Midterm Exam						
9	The International Tribunal for Former Yugoslavia: Is Justice Effective in a Time of War? Case study: Kosovo						
10	Post Conflict Reconstruction Framework						
11	International Humanitarian Law in the Afghan Conflict and case of Syria						
12	The Arab spring and the observance of International Humanitarian law						
13	Civil Society and Reconciliation						
14	Human Rights, Terrorism, and International Law						
15	Can International Criminal Court help in state - building process?						
16	Final Exam						

Prerequisites	The student must attend the course at a minimum rate of 75%.
Literature	• Rachel Kerr, The International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, An Exercise in Law, Politics, and Diplomacy (OUP 2004) • Michel Veuthey (ed), Respecting International Humanitarian Law: Challenges and Responses (International Institute of Humanitarian Law: 2013) • Gian Luca Beruto (ed), Justice and Reconciliation: An Integration Approach (International Institute of Humanitarian Law 2006) • Jane E Stromseth, 'Justice on the Ground: Can International Criminal Courts Strengthen Domestic Rule of law in Post Conflict Societies' [2009] Hague Journal on the Rule of Law 87
References	• Sam Muller and Stavros Zouridis (eds), Law and Justice: A strategy Perspective (Torkel Opsahl Academic EPublisher 2012) • Chester A Crocker, Fen Osler Hampson and Pamela Aall (eds), Turbulent Peace: The Challenges of Managing International Conflict (United States Institute of Peace Press 2001) • Chandra Lekha Sriram and Suren Pillay (eds), Peace versus Justice? The Dilemma of Transitional Justice in Africa (University of KwaZulu-Natal Press 2009)
Course Outcome	
1	Examining transitional societies and transitional justice mechanisms.
2	Understanding past violations of human rights and the most effective ways of addressing them.
3	Post-conflict justice as a contribute to sustain peace and re-build the society in the base of rule of law.

Course Evaluation			
In-term Studies	Quantity	Percentage	
Midterms	1	40	
Quizzes	0	0	
Projects	0	0	
Term Projects	0	0	
Laboratory	0	0	
Class Participation	1	10	
Total in-term evaluation percent			50
Final exam percent			50
Total			100
ECTS Workload (Based on Student Workload)			
Activities	Quantity	Duration (hours)	Total (hours)
Course duration (Including the exam week: 16x Total hours of the course)	16	4	64
Study hours outside the classroom (Preparation, Practice, etc.)	14	4	56
Duties	0	5	0
Midterms	1	10	10
Final Exam	1	20	20
Other	0	0	0
Total Work Load			150
Total Work Load / 25 (hours)			6.00
ECTS			6.00