Carleton University

Department of Law and Legal Studies

Course Outline

Course: LAWS 3208A – International Trade Regulation

TERM: WINTER 2019

PREREQUISITES: (0.5 credit from LAWS 2601 or LAWS 2202 or LAWS 2501 or BUS 2601)

and 0.5 credit in LAWS at the 2000 level.

CLASS: Day & Time: Fridays, 2:35 pm to 5:25 pm

Room: Please check with Carleton Central for current room location

INSTRUCTOR: Nick E. Milanovic

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CONTACT: Office: B442 Loeb Building (Contract Instructor's Office)

Office Hrs: By appointment only

Email: cuLearn only

CALENDAR COURSE DESCRIPTION

International regulation of trade and investment through bilateral, regional and multilateral treaties and agreements. Topics may include: WTO, NAFTA, the EU, UNCTAD, intergovernmental commodity agreements, dispute settlement

COURSE DESCRIPTION

International Trade Regulation provides an introduction to the institutions and rules that govern global trade between states. This course sets out an outline of the basic framework of trade rules as well as the primary principles, concepts and norms that animate international trade law. We will mainly focus on the World Trade Organization and examine selected aspects of international trade law including Most Favored Nation and National Treatment principles, Tariffs, Preferential trade agreements and other key matters that impact trade. An underlying theme of this course will be to explore the case for, and the challenges to, free trade orthodoxy. As such, this course will also consider issues affecting trade regulation such as labour, environmental and human rights concerns. At the conclusion of this course, students should be familiar with the basic building blocks of the global trading system. In addition, students should also be able to assess any benefits of global free trade as well as understand the issues contributing to a protectionist retreat from current trade arrangements.

REQUIRED TEXTS

Michael J. Trebilcock, Robert Howse, Antonia Eliason, The Regulation of International Trade, 4th ed., (London and New York: Routledge, 2012). The textbook may be purchased at the Carleton University bookstore.

SUPPLEMENTARY TEXTS

Students may want to consult the text below to enhance their understanding of the course material. However, there is no obligation to purchase this material for this course.

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Peter van den Bossche and Werner Zdouc, 3rd ed., *The Law and Policy of the World Trade Organization* (Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2013)

Indira Carr, Shawkat Alam and Md Jahid Hossain Bhuiyan, eds., *International Trade Law and the WTO* (Sydney: The Federation Press, 2013)

Hugh M. Kindred, et al., *International Law - Chiefly as Interpreted and Applied in Canada, 6th ed.* (Toronto: Emond Montgomery Publications, 2000)

Emily Reid, Balancing Human Rights, Environmental Protection and International Trade, Lessons from the EU Experience (Oxford and Portland: Hart Publishing, 2015)

EVALUATION

Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Department and of the Faculty Dean. This means that grades submitted by the instructor may be subject to revision. No grades are final until they have been approved by the Department and the Dean.

- 1. Class Participation (includes attendance): 10 percent
- 2. Mid-Term Exam (in-class, March 1, duration 2 hours): 40 percent
- 3. Final Exam (in formal exam period April 12 27, 2019 duration 2 hours): 50 percent

SCHEDULE

The topics covered in class roughly correspond to the chapter headings in the course textbook and provide a departure point for each lecture. The assigned readings are to be read before the relevant class. The date at the left side of the outline below indicate the Friday of each week of the course and the "Ch." refers to the chapter(s) of the textbook to be read which corresponds to the topic discussed each week.

1. January 11	Introduction	No Reading
2. January 18	International Trade in Context	Ch. 1
3. January 25	Dispute Settlement – WTO	Ch.5
4. February 1	Tariffs & Most Favoured Nation Principle	Ch. 2 & 7
5. February 8	Preferential Trade Agreements & National Treatment Principle	Ch. 3 & 4

^{*}All components must be completed to obtain a passing grade. Please list the breakdown of your course – assignments, exams etc. and what percentage they are worth)

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6. February 15	Antidumping Laws	Ch. 9
7. February 22	Winter Break no class	No reading
8. March 1	Mid-term Exam	No reading
9. March 8	Subsidies, Countervailing Duties & Procurement	Ch. 10
10. March 15	Safeguards and Adjustment Assistance Policies	Ch. 11
11. March 22	Trade Policy, Domestic Health & Health and Safety Standards	Ch. 6
12. March 29	Trade Policy & the Environment	Ch. 17
13. April 5	Trade Policy & Labour Standards and Human Rights	Ch. 18

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS

You may need special arrangements to meet your academic obligations during the term. For an accommodation request the processes are as follows:

<u>Pregnancy obligation</u>: Please contact me with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. For more details, visit the Equity Services website: <u>carleton.ca/equity/wp-content/uploads/Student-Guide-to-Academic-Accommodation.pdf</u>

<u>Religious obligation</u>: write to me with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. For more details, visit the Equity Services website: carleton.ca/equity/wp-content/uploads/Student-Guide-to-Academic-Accommodation.pdf

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities: If you have a documented disability requiring academic accommodations in this course, please contact The Paul Menton Centre (PMC) at 613-520-6608 or pmc@carleton.ca for a formal evaluation. If you are already registered with the PMC, contact your PMC coordinator to send me your Letter of Accommodation at the beginning of the term, and no later than two weeks before the first in-class scheduled test or exam requiring accommodation (if applicable). After requesting accommodation from PMC, meet with me as soon as possible to ensure accommodation arrangements are made. Please consult the PMC Website for their deadline to request accommodations for the formally-scheduled exam (if applicable) www.carleton.ca/pmc

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source. Examples of sources from which the ideas, expressions of ideas or works of others may be drawn from include but are not limited to: books, articles, papers, literary compositions and phrases, performance compositions, chemical compounds, art works, laboratory reports, research results, calculations and the results of calculations, diagrams, constructions, computer reports, computer code/software, and material on the Internet. Plagiarism is a serious offence.

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Accommodation for Student Activities

Carleton University recognizes the substantial benefits, both to the individual student and for the university, that result from a student participating in activities beyond the classroom experience. Reasonable accommodation must be provided to students who compete or perform at the national or international level. Please contact your instructor with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. https://carleton.ca/senate/wp-content/uploads/Accommodation-for-Student-Activities-1.pdf

For more information on academic accommodation, please contact the departmental administrator or visit: students.carleton.ca/course-outline

Department Policy

The Department of Law and Legal Studies operates in association with certain policies and procedures. Please review these documents to ensure that your practices meet our Department's expectations.

http://carleton.ca/law/current-students/