## Module Catalogue Westminster Law School Postgraduate Study Abroad 2024/5 Semester 1

| **Module Code** | **Module Name** | **Level** | **Semester** | **UK Credit Value** | **Credit Equivalency** |
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| **Law** | | | | | |
| 7LLAW025W | [International Tax Law](#7LLAW025W) | 7 | Semester 1 | 20 | US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\* |
| 7LLAW009W | [Foundations in International Commercial Law](#7LLAW009W) | 7 | Semester 1 | 20 | US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\* |
| 7LLAW015W | [International Commercial Arbitration](#7LLAW015W) | 7 | Semester 1 | 20 | US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\* |
| 7LLAW022W | [International Law and Development](#7LLAW022W) | 7 | Semester 1 | 20 | US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\* |
| 7LLAW026W | [Investment Banking Principles and Practice](#7LLAW026W) | 7 | Semester 1 | 20 | US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\* |
| 7LLAW028W | [Law of International Sales](#7LLAW028W) | 7 | Semester 1 | 20 | US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\* |
| 7LLAW031W | [Legal Aspects of Corporate Finance](#7LLAW031W) | 7 | Semester 1 | 20 | US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\* |
| 7LLAW036W | [Multinational Corporate Entities and Foreign Investment](#7LLAW036W) | 7 | Semester 1 | 20 | US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\* |
| 7LLAW039W | [Perspectives on Peace, Conflicts and Disputes](#7LLAW039W) | 7 | Semester 1 | 20 | US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\* |
| 7LLAW046W | [Public International Law](#7LLAW046W) | 7 | Semester 1 | 20 | US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\* |

\* All transcripts are issued in UK credits. Please note the recommendation of a 4 US credit value equivalency is provided as guidance. Final credit values for all modules for US students are decided by your home institution and will be dependent on its credit transfer policies.

## Law

### International Tax Law

[**Module Code: 7LLAW025W**](#7LLAW025W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Regent**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\***

The module explores the nature of (mainly) corporate taxation in the contexts of competition between States and taxpayers seeking to avoid or evade liability to taxation, and competition amongst States for the tax revenue which might be collected from taxpayers.  Within this exploration there will be examination of customary international law, procedural and substantive municipal laws, the taxing jurisdictions of States, the use of tax planning techniques such as ‘tax havens’, and the anti-avoidance and anti-evasion approaches of States and their international organisations such as the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development.   
**Assessment:** Essay (60%), Coursework (40%)  
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## Westminster Law School

### Foundations in International Commercial Law

[**Module Code: 7LLAW009W**](#7LLAW009W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Regent**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\***

This module enables the student to analyse critically the principles essential to the application of International Commercial Law. It will also provide the student with the context within which International Commercial Law operates.  
**Assessment:** Coursework (50%), Essay (50%)  
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### International Commercial Arbitration

[**Module Code: 7LLAW015W**](#7LLAW015W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Regent**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\***

This module explores the nature of municipal (ie national) commercial arbitration in the transnational domain (international commercial arbitration), with specific focus on the jurisdiction of England and Wales.  The exploration covers the whole range of issues from the drafting of arbitration agreements to the successful execution of Awards against unsuccessful respondent parties, and includes examination of topics such as ad hoc and institutional arbitration proceedings, challenges to Awards, recognition and enforcement of Awards (including foreign Awards), and international legal instruments relevant to international commercial arbitration.   
**Assessment:** Essay (30%), Coursework (70%)  
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### International Law and Development

[**Module Code: 7LLAW022W**](#7LLAW022W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Regent**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\***

A study of law and policy relating to international development including the right to development in international law, international development assistance and poverty alleviation, law relating to UN institutions engaged in promoting development in underdeveloped countries, and law and policy relating to overseas development assistance in the United Kingdom and European Union.  
**Assessment:** Project (100%)  
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### Investment Banking Principles and Practice

[**Module Code: 7LLAW026W**](#7LLAW026W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Regent**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\***

Through the study of this module students will attain an essential introduction to investment banking and gain the conceptual and practical skills required to interpret and produce relevant legal documentation. The module explains the legal and regulatory compliance documentation that accompanies investment banking. The module takes the students through the regulatory web as it relates to investment banking. It explains the content and formulation of business plans, prospectuses and offer documentation for investment products in various markets. The module also offers a critical reflection on marketing strategies, financial and strategic analysis, legal risk analysis, planning and financial modelling.   
**Assessment:** Essay (100%)  
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### Law of International Sales

[**Module Code: 7LLAW028W**](#7LLAW028W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Regent**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\***

This module offers the student an opportunity to evaluate and examine critically the law governing the international sale contract. The student will be introduced to the intricacies of international sale transactions, especially, the content of the contract of international sale, the use of standard trade terms (such as the Incoterms, or the FOB and CIF standard terms); and the rights and remedies, available to the parties. Students will examine critically the legal implications of international sale transactions with respect to the use of common trade terms, the relevance of the Sale of Goods Act 1979 and the role of documents in certain contracts. Areas of reform and change in the context of the move to harmonise or standardise trade law will also be examined. The relative success of the United Nation Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods will be critically assessed.

**Assessment:** Set exercises and test (not exam conditions) (100%)  
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### Legal Aspects of Corporate Finance

[**Module Code: 7LLAW031W**](#7LLAW031W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Regent**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\***

Through the study of this module students will attain an essential introduction to corporate finance and gain the conceptual and practical skills required to interpret relevant legal documentation. The module offers an introduction to corporate finance markets. It explains the key actors in these markets and investigates their aims in sourcing investment. It presents the core types of investment vehicles, and the key issues legal advisors need to address in investment agreements. The module offers an advanced exposition of the law of contract as it relates to finance, corporate structures and methods of raising funds, including debt financing and share transactions. Students are also acquainted with aspects of company law and director duties as they relate to finance.   
**Assessment:** Essay (100%)  
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### Multinational Corporate Entities and Foreign Investment

[**Module Code: 7LLAW036W**](#7LLAW036W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Regent**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10\***

The module explores the nature of foreign direct investment by multinational corporate groups and similar entities, and the incorporation of companies within cross-border groups. The module also explores the international and municipal (ie. national) consequences of incorporation and non-incorporation of businesses. Further, the module explores the impact of multinational corporate groups on the host States in which corporate direct investment is made, together with the legal and other approaches taken to curb the powers of multinational corporate groups and to hold their personnel accountable.   
**Assessment:** Essay (30%), Coursework (70%)  
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### Perspectives on Peace, Conflicts and Disputes

[**Module Code: 7LLAW039W**](#7LLAW039W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Regent**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

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The module explores the range of topics and issues within the field of conflict prevention and dispute resolution for the attainment of international, municipal, public and private peaceful societies by peaceful processes.  The module covers non-legal and legal factors including risk, decision-making and justice.   
**Assessment:** Essay (30%), Coursework (70%)  
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### Public International Law

[**Module Code: 7LLAW046W**](#7LLAW046W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Regent**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

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This module aims to examine the sources and the subjects of international law, the implementation of international law into domestic law, the bases for and limits to state jurisdiction, the law of state responsibility, the settlement of international disputes and the enforcement of international law. It gives students a general introduction to the foundational principles of public international law in order to prepare them for study in more specialised areas of the discipline.   
**Assessment:** Essay (40%), Essay (60%)  
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