

Course Description

INR2440 | International Law and Organization | 3.00 credits

This course examines international law and politics through the lens of social and behavioral science concepts. Students will analyze the development and effectiveness of international organizations such as the United Nations, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), and the European Union, in addressing political, social, and economic challenges. By applying principles from political science, sociology, and economics, students will gain an understanding of how international law and institutions influence state behavior and global affairs.

Course Competencies

Competency 1: The student will analyze the development of international law and organizations, including the League of Nations, the United Nations, NATO, and the European Union, by:

- 1. Comparing the principles and functions of the League of Nations and the United Nations in managing international conflicts.
- 2. Evaluating the role of international law in resolving global disputes and promoting peace among nations.
- 3. Investigating the impact of NATO and the European Union on international security and cooperation in world politics.

Competency 2: The student will assess the challenges and limitations of international law and organizations in addressing world political issues by:

- 1. Critiquing the effectiveness of international law in regulating state behavior and promoting human rights on a global scale.
- 2. Examining the historical and contemporary obstacles international organizations face in achieving their objectives in world politics.
- 3. Identifying the complexities of multilateral diplomacy and decision-making within international institutions.

Competency 3: The student will demonstrate critical thinking and problem-solving skills in analyzing case studies of international conflicts and legal disputes by:

- 1. Applying legal principles and theories to real-world examples of international conflicts and crises.
- 2. Synthesizing information from diverse sources to assess the impact of international law on specific geopolitical events.
- 3. Formulating reasoned arguments and recommendations for addressing international problems through legal and diplomatic means.

Learning Outcomes:

- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning.
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information.