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SUMMER SCHOOL IN INTERNATIONAL LAW

2025/2026

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Certificat - Droit

DIPLÔME DÉLIVRÉ: Certificat

► PRÉSENTATION

In the centre of Paris (Panthéon Square), Paris-Panthéon-Assas University, successor of the old Faculty of Law of the Paris University, organizes a summer school in International Law within the Institut des Hautes Etudes Internationales, the eldest French international law institute, founded in 1921.

► ADMISSION

NIVEAU D'ENTRÉE:

► PROFIL RECOMMANDÉ

The Summer School on "Contemporary International Legal Perspectives" is open to students or to professionals, regardless of nationality or of the institution of origin. Students must be registered in a higher education institution, in an academic program with a major in Law. Professionals must have substantial experience in legal practice.

Candidates should complete, in French or in English, the online application file.

A cover letter, a résumé (curriculum vitae) and a document establishing the university preparation and, where applicable, the legal practice of the candidate, must be joined to the application form.

Fees and certificate

The fees of the Summer school amount to 1000 € (one thousand Euros) / student. The students that will attend the program will receive a Certificate of the University acknowledging the participation to the Summer school on "Contemporary International Legal Perspectives".

Place and time

The Summer school will take place in the old Faculty of Law, at the Panthéon Centre: 12, Place du Panthéon in Paris.

All the lectures will be organized over a week on an intensive basis.





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► ORGANISATION DE LA FORMATION

Devoted to the 'Contemporary International Legal Perspectives', the students of the Summer school will have the possibility to attend the following teachings, provided in English by leading French authorities in the field of international legal studies:

- Module 1: International legal relations: contemporary perspectives (10 hours)
- Module 2: International organizations: regional and universal issues (5 hours)
- Module 3: International litigation: current perspectives (10 hours)
- Module 4: Contemporary issues of international business law: commercial relations and arbitration (10 hours)

▶ PROGRAMME

Summary of the courses

Module 1: International legal relations: contemporary perspectives (10 hours)

The international legal relations course gives the opportunity to discuss and clarify different recent issues of international law. The last course has been dedicated to the general prohibition on the use of force in contemporary international law. It addressed the distinction that is needed to be drawn between legal and illegal uses of the force in recent conflicts (Kosovo, Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine, etc). It also analyzed the exceptions of the general prohibition, such as self-defence, war on terrorism, and the right of humanitarian intervention. A focus has been on the rhetoric surrounding the "War on Terror" initiated after the attacks of 9/11, in order to recognize the possibility of acting in self-defence, within the meaning of article 51 of the UN Charter, against terrorist groups and no longer just against sovereign States.

Module 2: International organizations: regional and universal issues (5 hours)

The international organizations course begins with the analysis of the main characteristics of International organizations.

Then, for the universal issue, essentially the United Nations, through the study of the Security council, consideration is being given to how this international organization manage to preserve peace, if it manages.

Considering the regional issue, the example chosen - at the last course - was the one of the European Union, mainly of the question of the departure of a State, namely the United Kingdom - the "Brexit".

Throughout the course, the students are invited to participate by asking questions.

Module 3: International litigation: current perspectives (10 hours)

The course on International litigation: current perspectives is taught by professor Santulli, Director of the Institute and author of a leading French work on international litigation (Droit du contentieux international, Paris, LGDJ-Montchrestien, coll. Précis Domat, 2d éd. 2015, 621 p.). The lectures will focus on the process of international adjudication through the study of contemporary cases. Significant litigations will be chosen to highlight the way in which modern judicial and arbitral practice deals with international procedural issues.





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Module 4: Contemporary issues of international business law: commercial relations and arbitration (10 hours)

The Introduction to Arbitration course is taught by several experienced arbitration lawyers from the DLA Piper Paris office, led by DLA Piper's Global Head of Arbitration, Michael Ostrove. The course provides students with a practical introduction to international arbitration, covering both commercial and investment arbitration procedures. The main procedural aspects of arbitral procedure, ranging from the choice of venue to arbitrator impartiality to annulment and enforcement of awards, are explained and analyzed with the benefit of practical examples taken both from jurisprudence and from the lawyer's personal experiences. Although the course is presented as a series of lectures, students are encouraged to participate and to take advantage of the opportunity to ask questions during the classes.

► PLUS D'INFORMATIONS

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