

UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA, NSUKKA

DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL & COMPARATIVE LAW

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES (LL.M and PhD)

1.1. PHILOSOPHY

The general Bachelor of Laws (LL.B) programmes in Law at the Faculty and the Legal Training at the Nigerian Law School, upon graduation, qualify Law graduates as general legal practitioners. The Master of Laws (LL.M) and the Doctorate (PhD) Programmes on the other hand, enable students to qualify as specialist in specific areas of law. The Postgraduate Programmes in the Department of International and Comparative Law are designed to offer this specialist training to students in various fields in the Department.

1.2. AIMS and OBJECTIVES

The Postgraduate programmes of the Department aim to bring about a critical training and mass of knowledge and specialisation in specific fields that will lead to improved skills and competence as well as inculcating evidence based knowledge through legal research methods in resolving legal issues and challenges in the various fields of International Law.

1.3. SCOPE

The Postgraduate Programmes of the Department of International and Comparative Law cover the following fields of study and specialisation: Public International Law, Law of International Institutions, International Environmental Law, International Economic Law, International Human Rights Law, and International Criminal Law, though more areas are evolving and shall be included as they become import in Legal discourse.

1.4 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Postgraduate Programmes of the Department of International and Comparative Law will produce graduates who will serve as specialised legal experts in various areas at International, Regional and National levels. They have good prospects of employment in both the public and private sectors, as either salaried or self-employed persons. They can also serve in the various tiers of National government including Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies, in the academia, research institutes and the industry as legal experts, Advisers and Legal consultants to both International, Regional and National organisations, including but not limited to the United Nations Organisations (UN) and its specialised Agencies, the African Union (AU), the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

1.5. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: Master of Laws (LL.M) and PhD in Law

(a). Master of Laws (LL.M)

The following shall qualify for admission into the Master of Laws (LL.M) degree programme in the Department of International and Comparative Law: Graduates of the University of Nigeria or of other recognized universities who have obtained a degree of Bachelor of Laws (LL.B) with at least a second class honours (lower division) with a CGPA of not less than 3.0 on a 5-point scale.

(b). Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Law

The following shall qualify for admission into the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Law degree programme in the Department of International and Comparative Law: Graduates of the University of Nigeria or of other recognized universities with a good Master's degree in Law

(LL.M), with a minimum CGPA of 3.5 on a 5-point scale or 3.0 on a 4-point scale or 60% or a “B” grade and Project score of not lower than 60% (B).

1.6. DURATION OF PROGRAMMES

(a). Master of Laws (LL.M)

- (i) Full-time: A minimum of three (3) semesters and a maximum of six (6) semesters.
- (ii) Part-time: A minimum of five (5) semesters and a maximum of eight (8) semesters.

(b). Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Law

- (i) Full-time: A minimum of six (6) semesters and a maximum of ten (10) semesters.
- (ii) Part-time: A minimum of eight (8) semesters and a maximum of twelve (12) semesters.

1.7. COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

A Student must have fulfilled, in addition to other University requirements, the following conditions to be awarded a degree of Master of Laws (LL.M) or Doctor of Philosophy in Law

(a) Master of Laws (LL.M) Degree

To be awarded the Master of Laws (LL.M) degree in International and Comparative Law, a student must have registered and passed a minimum of 39 credit units of both compulsory and elective courses as follows:

Compulsory courses -	12 units
Elective courses -	18 units
Seminar -	3 units
Project -	6 units
	39 units

(b) Doctor of Philosophy in Law (PhD)

To be awarded the Doctor of Philosophy in Law (PhD) degree in International and Comparative Law, a student must have registered and passed a minimum of 36 credit units of both compulsory and elective courses as follows:

Course Work (Both Compulsory and Elective) -	15 units
Compulsory Paper Presentations -	6 units
PhD Thesis Seminar -	3 units
Thesis -	12 units
	36 units

2. CURRICULUM SPECIFICATION TABLE

(a) Master of Laws (LL.M)

FIRST SEMESTER

2 Compulsory courses -	6 units
2 Courses from Core Area -	6 units
1 Elective course from Alternate Area	3 units
	15 units

SECOND SEMESTER

2 Compulsory courses -	6 units
2 Courses from Core Area -	6 units
1 Elective course from Alternate Area	3 units
	15 units

THIRD SEMESTER

Seminar	3 units
Project	<u>6 units</u>
	9 units

(b) Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Law

FIRST YEAR

First Semester

1 Compulsory course	- 3 units
2 Courses (1 from Core Area, 1 from alternate area)	<u>- 6 units</u>
	9 units

Second Semester

2 Courses (1 from Core Area, 1 from alternate area)	- 6 units
	<u>6 units</u>

SECOND YEAR

First Semester

Research Proposal	- 3 units
	<u>3 units</u>

Second Semester

Book and/or Journal Article Review-	3 units
	<u>3 units</u>

THIRD YEAR

First Semester

PhD Seminar	- 3 units
	<u>3 units</u>

Second Semester

PhD Thesis Defence	- 12 units
	<u>12 units</u>

3. STRESS AREAS

- 0 Fundamentals (Research Methodology & ICT, Legal Research Writing, Synopsis/Grant Writing)
- 1 Public International Law
- 2 Law of International Institutions
- 3 International Environmental Law
- 4 International Economic Law
- 5 International Human Rights Law
- 6 International Criminal Law
- 8 Seminar
- 9 Project

4. AREAS OF SPECIALISATION

- 1 Public International Law
- 2 Law of International Institutions
- 3 International Environmental Law
- 4 International Economic Law
- 5 International Human Rights Law
- 6 International Criminal Law

5. AVAILABLE SUPERVISORS

(a) Approved Supervisors

S/N	Name of Lecturer & Rank	Academic/Professional Qualifications	Area/s of Specialization & Research Interest	Remarks
1	Prof. Ifeoma P. Enemo, mni (Professor)	LL.B (Nig.), B.L, LL.M (Lagos), PhD (Int.Law) (Nig.)	(i) Humanitarian Law, (ii) Law of International Institutions (iii) Environmental Law (iv) Law of Treaties	Department of International & Comparative Law
2	Dr. Emmanuel. U. Onyeabor (Senior Lecturer)	LL.B, (Nig.), B.L, LL.M (Nig.), PhD (Env. Law) (Nig.), B. Ed (Geog.) (UNIPORT), M.Sc. (Env. Mgt.) (ESUT), M.Sc. (Dev. Plan.) (UNIPORT)	(i) Environmental Law (ii) Climate Change Law (iii) Environmental Rights. (iv) Law & Development (v) Biotechnology Law	Department of International & Comparative Law
3	Dr. Matthew C. Nwankwo (Lecturer 1)	LL.B (Okada), B.L, LL.M (Brunel, UK), PhD (Int. Law) (Brunel, UK)	(i) International Law (ii) African Union Law (iii) International Human Rights Law	Department of International & Comparative Law
4	Prof. Joy N. Ezeilo (Professor)	LL.B (Nig.), B.L, LL.M (Lond.), PhD (Hum. Rights Law) (Nig.), Dip. (UPPSALA)	(i) Human Rights Law (ii) Reproductive Rights. (iii) Criminal Law	Department of Public Law
5	Dr. Obiajulu Nnamuchi (Senior Lecturer)	LL.B (Awka), B.L, LL.M (Notre Dame), LL.M (Toronto), LL.M (Lund), M.A. (Louisville), SJD (Loyola)	(i) Human Rights Law (ii) Reproductive Rights. (iii) Health Law (iv) Bio-Ethics	Department of Public Law
6	Dr. Miriam C. Anozie (Reader)	LL.B (ABU), B.L, LL.M (ABU), PhD (Const. Law) (Nig.)	Constitutional Law	Department of Jurisprudence & Legal Theory
7	Dr. Timothy O. Umahi (Lecturer 1)	B.Sc. (Ed/Geog.) (Nig.), M.Sc. (Mkt.) (Nig.), LL. B (ESUT), B.L LL.M (LASU), LL.M (Manchester), PhD (Law) (Manchester)	(i) International Maritime Law (ii) Information Technology Law (iii) Intellectual Property Law	Department of Private Law

8	Ndubuisi A. Nwafor, (Lecturer 1)	LL.B (Uyo), B.L., LL.M (Glasgow, UK.), PhD (Int. Eco Law) (Stirling, UK.),	(i) International Corporate & Financial Law (ii) International Contracting	Department of Property Law
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(b) Qualified but awaiting approval

S/N	Name of Lecturer & Rank	Academic/Professional Qualifications	Area/s of Specialization & Research Interest	Remarks
1	Dr. Sylvester N. Anya, (Lecturer 1)	LL.B (Nig.), B.L LL.M (Nig.), PhD (Crim. Law) (Nig.)	Criminal Law	
2	Dr. Joycelin C. Okubuiro, (Lecturer 1)	LL.B (RSUST), B.L LL.M (Hull, UK.), PhD (Pub. Int. Law) (Liverpool, UK),	(i)Public International Law (ii) Cyber Security (iii) Terrorism and Law	
3	Dr. Nickolas A. Agbo, (Lecturer 1)	LL.B (Cal.), B.L, LL.M (California), SJD (California)	(i) Environmental Law (ii) Air & Space Law	

6. BREAKDOWN OF COURSES FOR LL.M PROGRAMME

FIRST SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSES			
1	PGC 601	ICT and Research Methodology	3 Units
2	ICL 611	Public International Law	3 Units
THREE ELECTIVE COURSES (TWO FROM STUDENT'S CORE AREA, ONE FROM NON-CORE AREA)			
3	ICL 613	Law of Treaties I	3 Units
4	ICL 615	Law of the Sea and Maritime Security I	3 Units
5	ICL 621	Law of International Organisations I	3 Units
6	ICL 623	Law of United Nations System	3 Units
7	ICL 631	International Environmental Law I	3 Units
8	ICL 633	Climate Change Law & Policy I	3 Units
9	ICL 635	Agricultural and Conservation Law I	3 Units
10	ICL 637	Air and Space Law	3 Units
11	ICL 641	Law of International Contracting	3 Units
12	ICL 643	International Corporate & Financial Law	3 Units
13	ICL 645	International Maritime Law 1	3 Units
14	ICL 647	International Maritime Labour Law I	3 Units

15	ICL 651	International Human Rights Law I	3 Units
16	ICL 653	International Humanitarian Law I	3 Units
17	ICL 655	Law and Development	3 Units
18	ICL 661	Comparative Criminal Law 1	3 Units
19	ICL 663	Information Technology Law I	3 Units
20	ICL 665	Terrorism & Counter Terrorism Law I	3 Units
21	ICL 667	Cyber Security and the Law I	3 Units
TOTAL			15 Units

SECOND SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSES			
1	LAW 602	Legal Research Writing	3 Units
2	ICL 612	Africa and International Law	3 Units
THREE ELECTIVE COURSES (TWO FROM STUDENT'S CORE AREA, ONE FROM NON-CORE AREA)			
3	ICL 614	Law of Treaties II	3 Units
4	ICL 616	Law of the Sea and Maritime Security II	3 Units
5	ICL 622	Law of International Organisations II	3 Units
6	ICL 624	African Union Law	3 Units
7	ICL 632	International Environmental Law II	3 Units
8	ICL 634	Climate Change Law & Policy II	3 Units
9	ICL 636	Agricultural and Conservation Law II	3 Units
10	ICL 638	Biotechnology Law	3 Units
11	ICL 642	Law of International Commercial Arbitration	3 Units
12	ICL 644	International Trade Law	3 Units
13	ICL 646	International Maritime Law II	3 Units
14	ICL 648	International Maritime Labour Law II	3 Units
15	ICL 652	International Human Rights Law II	3 Units
16	ICL 654	International Humanitarian Law II	3 Units
17	ICL 656	Migration and Refugees Law	3 Units
18	ICL 662	Comparative Criminal Law II	3 Units
19	ICL 664	Information Technology Law II	3 Units
20	ICL 666	Terrorism & Counter Terrorism Law II	3 Units
21	ICL 668	Cyber Security and the Law II	3 Units
TOTAL			15 Units

THIRD SEMESTER			
1	ICL 681	Seminar in International & Comparative Law	3 Units
2	ICL 691	Project	6 Units
TOTAL			9 Units

7. BREAKDOWN OF COURSES FOR PhD PROGRAMMES

FIRST YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSE			
1	PGC 701	Synopsis and Research Grant Writing	3 Units
TWO ELECTIVE COURSES (ONE FROM CORE AREA, ONE FROM NON-CORE AREA)			
2	ICL 711	Advanced Seminar in Public International Law 1	3 Units
3	ICL 721	Advanced Seminar in Law of International Institutions 1	3 Units
4	ICL 731	Advanced Seminar in International Environmental Law 1	3 Units
5	ICL 741	Advanced Seminar in International Economic Law 1	3 Units
6	ICL 751	Advanced Seminar in International Human Rights Law 1	3 Units
7	ICL 761	Advanced Seminar in International Criminal Law 1	3 Units
TOTAL			9 Units
SECOND SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
TWO ELECTIVE COURSES (ONE FROM CORE AREA, ONE FROM NON-CORE AREA)			
1	ICL 712	Advanced Seminar in Public International Law 11	3 Units
2	ICL 722	Advanced Seminar in Law of International Institutions 11	3 Units
3	ICL 732	Advanced Seminar in International Environmental Law 11	3 Units
4	ICL 742	Advanced Seminar in International Economic Law 11	3 Units
5	ICL 752	Advanced Seminar in International Human Rights Law 11	3 Units
6	ICL 762	Advanced Seminar in International Criminal Law 11	3 Units
TOTAL			6 Units

SECOND YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSE			
	ICL 781	Research Proposal	3 Units
TOTAL			3 Units
SECOND SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSE			
	ICL 782	Books and/or Journal Article Review	3 Units
TOTAL			3 Units

THIRD YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSE			
	ICL 783	PhD Thesis Seminar	3 Units
TOTAL			3 Units
SECOND SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSE			
	ICL 792	PhD Thesis	12 Units
TOTAL			12 Units

8. DESCRIPTION OF COURSES FOR MASTER OF LAWS (LL.M) PROGRAMME

PGC 601: ICT and Research Methodology (3 units)

Methods of collecting data. Design of questionnaire. Survey planning and execution. Sampling and designs: simple, random, stratified, systematic, cluster and multi-stage sampling. Area sampling. Sample size determination. Analysis of response errors. Introductory techniques of data analysis: measures of central tendency and dispersion. Principles of effective communication and technical writing. Organisation and presentation of technical reports, feasibility studies, technical proposals and technical descriptions and instructions.

LAW 602: Legal Research Writing (3 units)

This is a Faculty wide course and it examines the meaning and nature of academic research within the framework of legal research. It also involves an examination of the methods of research into the various fields of Law with emphasis on three complementary methodologies common in legal research such as doctrinal, comparative and participatory research approaches. Field and Library forms of research methods are also examined. Different methods of referencing, including the Nigerian Law Teachers Association (NALT) pattern and the Oxford Standards for Citation of Legal Authorities (OSCOLA) Styles of referencing are taught. The use of the internet for research is taught. At the end of the course students are expected to submit a mini project work from his/her area of specialization to his/her Department.

ICL 611: Public International Law (3 units)

This course will explore the Theories of International Law, Sources, Subjects, Statehood and Recognition, Relationship between International Law and Municipal Law, Prohibition of the Use of Force and peaceful dispute resolution (Humanitarian Intervention and the Responsibility to Protect), Rights and Responsibilities of states, Law of Treaties, Regionalism: African Union Law (Legal aspects of economic integration in Africa) and Other Regional organisations.

ICL 612: Africa and International Law (3 units)

This course aims to explore the international law from an African perspective through dominant trends in African interaction with itself and the international system. It will expose students to Africa's role in the generation of international norms, its subjugation and resistance, and finding possible ways to situate Africa in the international legal system. The course will examine the Origin of Africa, its Rewriting of International Legal History, African Participation in International System

before Colonisation, Colonisation, Post-colonisation, Hegemony, Situating Africa in the International Legal System. These will involve Contributionists and critical theories.

ICL 613: Law of Treaties I (3 units)

Fundamentals: definition and characteristics; functions, types: Treaties as law creating process and international transactions. The Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties (1969). Forms of treaties: treaty making capacity: participation of international organizations. Conclusion of Treaties (full powers. signature: rectification, accession and acceptance) entry into force; reservation, registration. Legal Effects; inter parties; third parties; the conflict of treaties. Interpretation and application: functions and techniques of treaty interpretation; the problem of auto-interpretation; treaties and municipal law.

ICL 614: Law of Treaties II (3 units)

The Validity of Treaties; causes of invalidity; treaties and the problems of the international public order; the concept of *jus cogens and jus dispositivum*; treaties and the UN Charter. Breach of treaties, consequences and remedies. Suspension and termination; the impact of discontinuity of statehood severability of treaty clauses. Revision and amendment of treaties. Pre-independence treaties before the 20th century; commercial treaties: subjection treaties; treaties as instruments of colonialism; past and present legal effects.

ICL 615: Law of the Sea and Maritime Security I (3 units)

This course will deal with the Legal framework of the international law of the sea: Objectives; Salient Provisions; Enforcement Mechanisms (Flag state, Port state, Coastal State); Maritime jurisdictional zones under International Law: Territorial sea, Archipelagic waters, International straits; Contiguous zone, Continental shelf, Exclusive Economic Zone; High seas, Deep seabed; Africa and the development of Law of the Sea. It will also explore the Resolution of competing claims to maritime areas and resources: Diplomatic means of dispute resolution, Legal means of dispute settlement, Arbitration as dispute resolution mechanism, International Maritime Organization, International Courts and Tribunals: International Court of Justice, International Tribunal on Law of the Sea (ITLOS):

ICL 616: Law of the Sea and Maritime Security II (3 units)

This course will deal with concerns arising from human use of the oceans: Exploitation of offshore resources, Fisheries management, Conservation of marine biodiversity, Marine pollution. The course will also cover Maritime Security: Rules for securing safety at sea; Rules for the prevention of collisions at sea, Piracy (Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful acts against the safety of Maritime navigation 2005 and 2015 Protocols, International Convention Against Taking of Hostages, 1979), Assistance at sea, Load-line Conventions (International Load-Line Convention, 1930), Safety of life at sea (International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea, 1936, 1948, 1960, 1974 the Safety of fixed platforms located on the Continental shelf, Protocol on Suppression against).

ICL 621: Law of International Organisations I (3 units)

General aspects of International Law: Definition development - sources - functions and types of international institutions - General principles of International Institutional Law. Non-comprehensive International Institutions; Judicial international institutions with special reference to Permanent Court of Arbitration and the International court of Justice: functions organization - jurisdiction – procedure- awards - judgments - Advisory opinions - execution.

ICL 622: Law of International Organisations II (3 units)

Administrative International Institutions with special reference to International unions and international river organization; River Niger Commission: Chad Basin Commission; functions membership - organization - scope of jurisdiction powers. Quasi legislative international institutions with special reference to conference and the relevant aspects of the

International Labour Organization: functions - membership - organization - scope of jurisdiction powers. Comprehensive international institutions: with special reference to the League of Nations and United Nations; functions - membership - organization - scope of jurisdiction - procedure – powers Hybrid International Institutions

ICL 623: Law of United Nations System (3 units)

This course takes a holistic look at the United Nations as the premier international organization of the new global legal order after the Second World War. It traces the evolution of its key organs and institutions and examines its relationship with states, non-state actors and individuals. The UN was established as the highest international organization for the maintenance of global peace and security, and the bulwark of its functions is the management and maintenance and promotion of core universal values such as peace, security, human rights and peaceful co-existence of states. Consequently, this module focuses on the legal framework of the UN for maintaining global order. Key topics include, Pacific settlement of disputes, Collective Security Mechanisms, UN treaty making, Powers of Special Rapporteurs, the General Assembly, Security Council, etc.

ICL 624: African Union Law (3 units)

The purpose of this course is to bring to the fore the underexplored and underdeveloped concept of African Union law. This course examines the evolution, structure, institutions, sources, and the impact of AU law on national legal systems. It also examines relational issues between the African Union as a regional institution and the regional economic communities (RECs).

ICL 631: International Environmental Law I (3 units)

This course touches on the fundamentals of Environmental Law bothering on such issues like factors threatening the environment; need to protect the Environment, need for Environmental Law; nature of Environmental Legislation, Sources of Environmental Law from National Legislation, International Law, Received English Law to Customary Law, Theories and Concepts in Environmental Law, Sectoral approaches to environmental protection; Land use control as an aspect of environmental protection, Liabilities for environmental damage, Institutions for Environmental Protection Compliance.

ICL 632: International Environmental Law II (3 units)

This course touches on core aspects of International Environmental Law such as: Nature of International Environmental Law; origin and development, General Principles Establishing Standards in International Environmental Law, International Efforts at Protecting the Global Environment, trending issues in International Environmental Law: Global Warming and Climate Change; Electrical/Electronic waste (E-Waste), Implementation and enforcement strategies in International Environmental Law, Problems of global environmental governance, United Nations Organisation's Institutions for Environmental Protection, such as the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC); United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Secretariat (UNFCCC; World Trade Organisation (WTO).

ICL 633: Climate Change Law & Policy I (3 units)

Background to the law on climate change touching on such issues like: definition, causes, impacts of climate change, climate change mitigation and adaptation. Applicable International Environmental Law Principles on Climate Change: The Principle of States

sovereignty over their natural resources and the responsibility not to cause trans-boundary environmental damage; the Principle of preventive action; the Principle of co-operation; the Principle of sustainable development; the Precautionary principle; the Polluter-pays principle; Common Heritage of Mankind; the Principle of common but differentiated responsibility. International/National legal instruments for Climate Change mitigation and control: International Legal Instruments: the Declaration of Principles for the Preservation and Enhancement of the Human Environment (the Stockholm Declaration), 1972; United Nations Convention on Climate Change, 1992; Kyoto Protocol on Convention on Climate Change, 1997, Decisions of Conference of Parties CoP) 2007 - 2014; the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, 2015. Domestic Legal Instruments such as: Associated Gas-Reinjection Act, 1979; Environmental Impact Assessment Act, 1992; National Environmental Standards, Regulations and Enforcement Agency (Establishment) Act, 2007; National Environmental Regulations, 2009 -2013; National Policies on Energy, Desertification, Climate Change, Biodiversity, Gas flaring, Deforestation, Afforestation and Re-forestation. Relationships between Climate Change legal regime and other International Law Regimes: Ozone Regime and Climate Change; Biodiversity and Climate Change; Law of the Sea; Human Rights Conventions; and Climate Change and Development. Climate Change and International Trade.

ICL 634: Climate Change Law & Policy II (3 units)

The course shall cover such topics like: Action plans on climate change mitigation arising from the Kyoto Protocol, international governance and climate change, global politics of climate change bothering on the north/south divide; divisions within G77; the persistent EU-US division; special situation of countries in economic transition, conflicts and compromises in climate change mechanism; problems of global governance on climate change; compliance and dispute resolution mechanisms on climate change and climate change in courts, touching on such issues like litigation and climate change mitigation mechanism on loss and damage due to climate change induced impacts; determining international liability scheme on climate change; discussing barriers to climate change litigation and the political question and climate change litigation.

ICL 635: Agricultural and Conservation Law I (3 units)

This course will provide an introduction to the central issues and concerns of contemporary agricultural law touching on such topics like: nature of agricultural law; intro to agricultural ethics and policy; Introduction to agriculture: economics, demographics, etc; Basic structure of agricultural regulation; roles of federal and state governments; Subsidies and other economic incentives and disincentives; International trade implications of agricultural policy; Basic principles of agricultural labor law; Organizing and protecting farm workers; occupational health and safety issues; Farm worker housing and related issues; Marketing orders, commissions, cooperatives and current issues; Dairy cooperatives, interstate movement of milk and similar litigation; Animal health issues; Water allocation and rights;

ICL 636: Agricultural and Conservation Law II (3 units)

The course will thus pay a good deal of attention to Land use and property rights; Non-profit trade associations; Growers; Encroachment on agricultural land: policy and security issues; Issues in ranching and grazing; Water pollution; Air pollution; Organic farming: Facts and issues; recent litigation and developments in regulations; Organic farming: environmental issues; sustainable agriculture; Immigration and migrant farm workers; Aquaculture; Farm

animal welfare and the law; Agricultural biotechnology: Microcosm of issues in agricultural law and policy; Agro-terrorism and food security; Agriculture, hunger, and nutrition.

ICL 637: Air and Space Law (3 units)

This course examines the sources of public international law relating to the air space and its aeronautical uses. Consequently, the course discusses the scope and functions of international aviation organizations and their legislative functions. Furthermore, this module discusses legal mechanisms to combat aviation terrorism.

ICL 638: Biotechnology Law (3 units)

This course examines the meaning and scope of biotechnology and biosafety as well as establishing the distinction between the two. Discussions shall centre on: Concepts of biosafety: risk assessment; capacity building; approaches to designing biosafety regulations; implementing biosafety regulations. Regulatory approaches to biotechnology: the *laissez faire* model; laboratory control; environmental release; risk analysis; socio-economic consideration for pre-market authorization such as labelling and traceability; precautionary approach. Other areas are International and National regulations on biotechnology. Discussions shall centre on approaches adopted: integrating fields of Human Rights, Environmental Protection and International Trade. Specific regulations include: UN Declaration on Cloning; UNSCO Declarations; Convention on Human Rights and Biomedicine; Convention on Biological Diversity; Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety; International Plant Protection Convention; International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture; Chapter 16 Agenda 21; WTO Agreement on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Standards; Nagoya Protocol; WTO Agreements on Technical Barriers to Trade; FAO/WHO Codex Guidance on GM Food safety. Integrating biosafety regulations in National policies and strategies in biosafety regulations - National Biosafety Management Act. Agencies for biosafety management: UNFAO on Biotechnology; UNEP on Environmentally Sound Management of biotechnology; World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO); National Biosafety Commission of Nigeria; NAFDAC; Custom Services, etc.

ICL 641: Law of International Contracting (3 units)

International Contracting provides insight into commercial law conventions, model laws, protocols, commercial compliance rules and practices that affect commercial transactions in the new age. In a nutshell, International contracting beams a searchlight into legal frameworks and national regulations that impact on transnational business relationships between individuals and states and transnational corporations.

ICL 642: Law of International Commercial Arbitration (3 units)

International Commercial Arbitration is a branch of international law that addresses alternative methods of resolving commercial and investment disputes between individuals and corporations across national borders. It is an alternative to litigation and relies on previously agreed terms by contracting parties instead of national legislation or procedures. This area oscillates between public international law and private international law. Primary sources include the New York Convention, UNCITRAL model law, ICSID convention etc.

ICL 643: International Corporate & Financial Law (3 units)

International Financial Law focuses on the law, instruments, and legal and institutional issues affecting major transactions in global financial markets. At its core International Financial Law devises regulations that govern global financial markets. It also discusses the technicalities surrounding international financial transactions.

ICL 644: International Trade Law (3 units)

International Trade Law is an aspect of International Law that discusses the regulations, laws, institutions and rules that govern commercial activities on a global scale. It is an ever expanding area consisting of four basic levels: unilateral measures by states, bilateral relationships between states, plurilateral agreements and trade-related aspects of multilateral agreements (WTO/GATT system). International Trade law consists of the basic norms and standards that integrate trade between individuals, states, and corporations.

ICL 645: International Maritime Law I (3 units)

This course provides an overview of the various aspects of Maritime Law bordering on: History and Sources of the Law, The treatment of sources should include a rudimentary discussion of the nature of treaties and other aspects of public international law which constitute major sources of the law applicable to maritime issues, Delimitation of the relevant waters, Internal waters, the Territorial Sea and the Contiguous Zone, Harbour works and Roadsteads, International Straights and Waterways, The High Sea and the Sea-bed, the Continental Shelf, The Principle of Freedom of the Seas, Ordinary and Extra-ordinary Rights of 'Jurisdiction in time of peace, special Reference to piracy and the slave trade, coercive measures short of war; Limitations and The Sea-Bed, Uses of the High Seas and the Sea-Bed, Navigation, Fisheries, Exploitation of other Natural Resources, Scientific Research and Experiments, Disposal of radioactive waste; Naval Exercises; Pipelines, Cables, Mechanical Installations and other uses.

ICL 646: International Maritime Law II (3 units)

This course touches on jurisdictions over Maritime Areas Adjacent to the Coast: The Regime of Ports and Internal Waters; The Regime of the Territorial Sea and the contiguous zone; The Regime of the Continental Shelf; The Right of Hot Pursuit; Ships in distress, Access to the Sea for States without Sea Coasts, Transit between the Sea and a State without a Sea Coast, use of Ports and the Territorial Sea of Neighbouring States; right to sail ship on the high seas. The Legal Regime of the Ship, Nationality of ships, flags of convenience, warships and other government-owned ships on Non-commercial Service, government-owned merchant ships, privately- owned merchant ships, collision, wreck and salvage, stateless ships and pirate ships, The Legal Regime of Crew, Passengers and Cargo, Jurisdiction, conditions of Labour, consular jurisdiction over seamen abroad, Functional Protection of seamen, Introduction to the Legal Regime of Carriage by Sea, Bills of Lading – When Issued and Their Basic Nature, Transmission of Rights under Bills of Lading, Obligations of the Carrier, Common Clauses in Bills of Lading, The Hague and the Hague Visby Rules, Defences to Maritime Claims, Package Limitation, Tonnage Limitation and Incoterms.

ICL 647: International Maritime Labour Law I (3 units)

Areas of interest in this course are: History of Maritime Labour Regulation; Justifications for the regulation of maritime employment; Four pillars of international maritime law; Institutional and Standard-Setting Bodies in Maritime Labour; Legal and Structural Framework of International Seamen's Code; Maritime Employment and Requirements; Maritime Training and Competence Certificate.

ICL 648: International Maritime Labour Law II (3 units)

This course examines Maritime Wages, Working Hours and Manning Ships; Repatriation and Annual Paid Leave Regulations; Social Security and Minimum Standards; Maritime Labour and Substandard Vessels; Maritime labour, pollution and environment; Maritime labour and human right; Maritime labour and fiscal responsibility; Future role of ILO, IMO and similar institutions.

ICL 651: International Human Rights Law I (3 units)

Areas of this course are: Introduction to Human Rights Issues and Discourse: Philosophical & historical & Legal Underpinnings to human rights; Theory and practice of human rights, International Bill of Rights; Discussion of 8 major international instruments (ICESCR, ICCPR, ICERD, Apartheid, CEDAW, CAT, CRC, Disability Convention), International Human Rights Organizations: The UN System; UN Treaty Monitoring Organs/Bodies, Regional systems of human rights: European System/Council of Europe & European Union; The Inter- American System & OAS; The African System and AU, Non Discrimination in International Human Rights Law, Minority rights and Self Determination, Fundamental Rights in their Economic, Social and Cultural Context

ICL 652: International Human Rights Law II (3 units)

The course covers: Domestic Application of Human Rights Norms, International Protection of the Rights of the Child, Women's Human Rights, Right to health and access to healthcare, Implementation of Law & Policy in Reproductive Health and Rights, International Non-Governmental Organizations, Human rights and development: A human right to development, Poverty, Right to food, Humanitarian law, Human Rights: Law Enforcement and State Security, Enforcements of Human Rights: Sanctions, Humanitarian Intervention, Criminalization of Human Rights Violations

ICL 653: International Humanitarian Law I (3 units)

Main focus of the course are: The Use of the Subject: Historical, sociological and ethical aspects; The Law of Armed Conflict and Humanitarian Law: Formative factors, types and forms of laws of war, the principle of self-defence, legal and illegal uses of force, war and state of war, Legal effects of war, Armed conflict and other wars: the Law of Land Warfare: object and scope, The Geneva Red Cross Convention of 1949, United Nations Forces, chemical, biological and nuclear weapons: The Law of Air Warfare: Object and scope, Nuclear weapons and aerial bombardment, recent developments; the Law of Sea Warfare: Objects and scope, Recent Developments; The Law of Belligerent Occupation: The character of belligerent occupation, The protection of personal and property rights.

ICL 654: International Humanitarian Law II (3 units)

Topics covered are: Enforcement of Rules of Warfare: International Responsibility in times of war, the evolution of jurisdiction over war crimes and crimes against humanity; The Law of Neutrality: History and basic rules, neutral nationals and property in land, sea and air warfare, belligerent reprisals and neutrals; Internal Armed Conflicts: The relativity of international armed conflicts, The Geneva Convention of 1949 and internal armed conflicts; The termination of Armed Conflict: The relativity of war and peace, cease fire Agreements and Armistices, Peace Treaties, functions, legal effects, characteristics and interpretation, war indemnities, reparation and restitution.

ICL 655: Law and Development (3 units)

Law and Development is an interdisciplinary study of law and economics that focuses on theories, methods and practices that demonstrate the utilization of law to realize economic and social development. This area examines the use of law as an instrument for the elevation of human beings in society particularly regarding their economic welfare. The course also focuses on the role of women in the economic and social advancement of society at national and international level.

ICL 656: Migration and Refugees Law (3 units)

Migration and Refugee law is an aspect of international law that analyzes the phenomenon of migration and its consequences. It examines the rights of refugees, migrants and the legal issues surrounding displaced people. At its core, it addresses the legal framework governing migration particularly at the United Nations and regional levels. Related issues include the right to citizenship and statelessness.

ICL 661: Comparative Criminal Law 1 (3 units)

The course focuses on the main principles of Nigerian Criminal Law and the problems arising in its codification, the principle of responsibilities and general defences, and strict liability as well as vicarious liability and group liability. This is to be examined in comparison with the rules of other Common Law System, Continental Europe and Asia, in particular China and Japan. Next area of focus is International Criminal Law (Specific Crimes): A comparative examines of the following: Homicide, theft, armed robbery and kindred offences. Other offences against property. Sexual offences: Rape, indecent assault and offences against morality. Commercial Credit fraud; Advance Fee Fraud; Money Laundering offences. Plea bargaining in criminal trials, Offences against the state and administration of justice. Drug and allied offences corruption and corrupt practices

ICL 662: Comparative Criminal Law II (3 units)

This course discusses a comparative study of the following: Territorial jurisdiction. Police Powers of Investigation and Interrogation and other allied powers. Discretion to Prosecute: Police, Attorney General. Relation of Prosecution to the Defence. Criminal Discovery. Problem of notice, joint trials Criminal Pleadings. The Position of the accused as a witness. Organization of Criminal courts. Criminal Appeals. New trials and Post-conviction remedies.

ICL 663: Information Technology Law I (3 units)

This course covers emerging trends in Information technology and the Law in the following areas: Information and society; digitisation and society. Governance in the information society: cyber-speech- freedom of expression; political speech; hate speech; commercial speech, need for legal regulations and protection; history of communications regulation. The emergence of and scope of data protection; sectoral aspects of data protection; protection of data bases; individual rights and remedies under data protection; trans-border data flows. Ecommerce; electronic contracts; electronic payments and taxation. Privacy technology and the Law: data protection and personal privacy. The Nigerian Communication Commission Act and regulating sources of information technology.

ICL 663: Information Technology Law II (3 units)

The main focus of this course are Information Communication Technology and intellectual property: intellectual property rights Law and the information society; protection of software, key elements of patent system; patents and software, copyright infringement and software, protection of semi-conductor chips and designs, legal protection trademarks and branding. Liabilities in Information Communication Technology: contractual and non-contractual liabilities for defective software, defamation from use of information technology devices.

ICL 665: Terrorism & Counter Terrorism Law I (3 units)

This course deals with terrorism by exploring its background: Historical origin of the term, 'terrorism', Challenges in defining terrorism, Challenges of global North/South dichotomy: hegemonic nature of the concept of terrorism and resistance; Definition of terrorism, Characteristics of terrorism; Motivation/Justification for terrorist acts; Criminalisation of terrorism in international and transnational law; Actors of terrorists acts: States and Non-state

actors, Similarities and Differences between the terrorists acts of these categories of actors; Impacts of terrorists acts. Review of International and National laws on terrorism.

ICL 666: Terrorism & Counter Terrorism Law II (3 units)

The main focus of this course is on counter-terrorism, covering: Definition of Counter-terrorism; Responses to terrorism: United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, international and transnational law; Counter measures: the Use of Force against terrorists; identification and blocking of sources of funding, recruitment and arms acquisitions. Observance of principles of engagement under International Humanitarian law and protection of human rights under both International and National Human Rights Laws. Evaluation of the Counter-terrorism Measures: challenges and impact.

ICL 667: Cyber Security and the Law I (3 units)

In this course, students are exposed to the rudiments of cyberspace, cybercrimes and cyber security threats to the cyberspace as well as the responses to such problems. The course will examine the meaning and operational definitions of cyberspace within the national and international context. The course will also examine the meaning and operational definitions of cyber security threats such as cybercrime, cyber conflicts, cyber terrorism, child online abuse & exploitation, online revenge pornography. It will also explore parties to cyber security threats, their mode of operations and the inter-territoriality of cyber security threats.

ICL 668: Cyber Security and the Law II (3 units)

This course will explore the emerging legal responses to cyber security threats such as computer fraud computer misuse, theft of information, defamation, hacking, viruses, criminal damage, mail bombing, obscenity, pornography and child abuse, identity theft, grooming, harassment, cyber stalking, cyber terrorism, etc. The course will also examine the provisions of specific legislation; International and National legislation in detecting, prevention and prosecuting cybercrimes. The role of Security Agents in detecting and prosecuting cybercrimes: International Police (Interpol), National Police, National Intelligence Agency (NIA), National Financial Crime Agency, etc, will also be explored.

ICL 681: Seminar Presentation from the Master's Project Report (3 Units)

The seminar should be based on the report from student's project. The introductions should reflect the background study of student's research work. Literature review should highlight the previous related works in the area of the study. The sources, theory and method of data analysis must be fully explored. The analysis should be critically carried out, followed by the discussion of findings. These are to be followed by recommendation/s for future work, conclusion and references listed appropriately in the bibliography.

ICL 691: Research Project (6 units)

Students will carry out project work from any field within their area of specialisation. The project shall an in-depth study that demonstrates their skill in research, writing and analysis. This requires the conduct of an original empirical study and preparation of a report thereon, the topic having been approved and supervised a Lecturer whose qualifications are not below the PhD degree in Law and must have been appointed a Supervisor by the School of Postgraduate Studies and approved by the Senate. A formal project report will be required to be submitted to the Department by the student. Such a project shall be sent to an External Examiner who must have been nominated by the Department and appointed by Senate for that purpose. The External Examiner must be knowledgeable in the specific area of

specialisation within the Department. Each student is required to make an oral presentation before the appointed External Examiner.

8. DESCRIPTION OF COURSES FOR PhD PROGRAMME

PGC 701: Synopsis and Grant Writing

(3 units)

This course identifies types and nature of grant and grant writing as well as meaning of grants application calls on the internet. The course determines appropriate strategy for grant application; Study of various grant application structures and contents and writing of concept notes, detailed project description, budgeting and budget defense. Study of sample grant writings in various forms and writing of mock research and other grants are part of this course. Students are taught University of Nigeria synopsis structure and requirements, (Introduction, Methodology and Results); determining the content of each sub-unit of the synopsis; Steps in writing of synopsis from the Dissertation/Thesis document, structural and language issues. Common errors in synopsis writing and strategies for avoiding them are discussed. The roles of the student and the supervisor in the writing of synopsis are discussed as well as writing of mock synopsis.

ICL 711 Advanced Seminar in Public International Law I

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Public International Law. The student should explore the various developments in Public International Law and aspects of Africa and International Law regime as applicable under various international legal instruments and how these can be applied in Nigeria and Africa. The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 712 Advanced Seminar in Public International Law II

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Public International Law. The student should explore the various developments in Public International Law particularly in areas of Law of Treaties and Law of the Sea and Maritime Security as applicable under various international legal instruments and how these can be applied in Nigeria. The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 721 Advanced Seminar in Law of International Institutions I

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Law International Institutions. The student should explore the various developments in Law of International Institutions, particularly aspects of International Organisations such as the United Nations Organisation and its agencies, and the United Nations System, the European Union (EU). The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 722 Advanced Seminar in Law of International Institutions II

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Law International Institutions. The student should explore the various developments in Law of International Institutions,

particularly aspects of International Organisations such as the African Union and its agencies, and the Economic Commission of West Africa States (ECOWAS). The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 731 Advanced Seminar in International Environmental Law I

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of International Environmental Law. The student should explore the various developments in International Environmental Law, particularly on trending issues in Environmental Law and Climate change Law and policy as applicable under the various Multi-Lateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) and how these can be applied in Nigeria and Africa. The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 732 Advanced Seminar in International Environmental Law II

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of International Environmental Law. The student should explore the various developments in International Environmental Law particularly in areas of Agricultural and Conservation Law, Bio-Safety and Bio-Technology Law, and Air and Space Law as applicable under various international legal instruments and how these can be applied in Nigeria. The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 741 Advanced Seminar in International Economic Law I

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of International Economic Law. The student should explore the various developments in International Environmental Law with emphasis on Law of International Contracting, International Trade Law, and International Corporate & Financial Law and how these can be applied in Nigeria and Africa. The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 742 Advanced Seminar in International Economic Law II

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of International Economic Law. The student should explore the various developments in International Environmental Law particularly in areas of Law of International Commercial Arbitration, International Labour Law and International Maritime Law and how these can be applied in Nigeria and Africa. The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 751 Advanced Seminar in International Human Rights Law I

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of International Human Rights Law. The student should explore the various developments in International Human Rights. Emphasis shall be on International Bill of Rights; Major international instruments on Human Rights, International Human Rights Organizations, Regional systems of human rights, Non Discrimination in International Human Rights Law, Minority rights and Self Determination, Fundamental Rights in their Economic, Social and Cultural Context, Migration and Refugees

Law. The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 752 Advanced Seminar in International Human Rights Law II

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of International Human Rights Law. The student should explore the various developments in International Human Rights with particularly reference to Domestic Application of Human Rights Norms, International Protection of the Rights of the Child, Women's Human Rights, Right to health and access to healthcare, Implementation of Law & Policy in Reproductive Health and Rights, International Non- Governmental Organizations, Human rights and development: A human right to development, Poverty, Right to food, Humanitarian law, Human Rights: Law Enforcement and State Security, Enforcements of Human Rights: Sanctions, Humanitarian Intervention, Criminalization of Human Rights Violations, Rules of engagement and Protections of victims of war. The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 761 Advanced Seminar in International Criminal Law I

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of International Criminal Law. The student should explore the various developments in International Criminal Law particularly aspects of Special crimes such as Advanced fee fraud, Money laundering, Law of Collective Security Mechanisms, Terrorism & Counter Terrorism Law, Piracy and other aspects of trans-border crimes and how these can be applied in Nigeria. The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 762 Advanced Seminar in International Criminal Law II

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of International Criminal Law. The student should explore the various developments in International Criminal Law particularly in areas of Telecommunications Law, Information Communication Technology (ICT) Law, Cyber Security and other aspects of Cybercrimes and how these can be applied in Nigeria. The presentation is to be inform of term paper (2) and submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write ups as seminar papers before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

ICL 781: Research Proposal

(3 units)

This course requires a presentation of issues, theoretical and current academic debate and status of the student's area of specialization within the Department in preparation for a comprehensive research embodied in a Thesis.

ICL 782: Books and/or Journal Article Review

(3 units)

The purpose of this course is to expose students to book or/and Journal review. Particularly books and or Journals in the field of International and Comparative Law. This will allow them develop skills in paper or book review and thereby prepare them for seasoned academics in future.

ICL 783: PhD Thesis Seminar**(3 units)**

This is a seminar presentation at the end of the student's research work before the final defence that involves final presentation, reporting the results, findings, deductions, recommendations and conclusion from his/her Thesis. The seminar is therefore a written presentation of issues, theoretical and current academic debate and status of the student's area of specialization within the Department. If the student is successful he or she will then submit his/her synopsis and prepares for his or her final presentation of his/her Thesis.

ICL 790: PhD Thesis**(12 units)**

Students are required to conduct a comprehensive research on a problem topic within a chosen field in his/her area of specialization within the Department. This should be an in-depth study that demonstrates their skills in research, writing and analysis. It requires the conduct of an original empirical study that must make significance contributions to knowledge. The final report shall be embodied in a Thesis and shall be defended during an oral examination before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee with an approved External Examiner in attendance.