

LW650E: INTENSIVE SEMINAR

Effective Term

Semester B 2024/25

Part I Course Overview

Course Title

Intensive Seminar

Subject Code

LW - Law

Course Number

650E

Academic Unit

School of Law (FL)

College/School

School of Law (FL)

Course Duration

One Semester

Credit Units

2

Level

P5, P6 - Postgraduate Degree

Medium of Instruction

English

Medium of Assessment

English

Prerequisites

Nil

Precursors

Nil

Equivalent Courses

LW5662* Intensive Seminar (* This being an umbrella course, the course codes of seminars offered under this course will be labeled as LW5662A, LW5662B and so on.)

Exclusive Courses

Nil

Part II Course Details

Abstract

This course aims to:

- a) provide students opportunities to study, on an intensive basis, an existing or emerging area of law so as to meet the challenges of working in a global environment;
- b) allow students to get exposed to leading foreign legal scholars who might be willing to spend few weeks at our Law School to offer a course;
- c) offer more flexibility to students to plan and complete their studies; and
- d) develop further the research and analytical abilities of students.

Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)

CILOs		Weighting (if DEC-A1 app.)		DEC-A2	DEC-A3
1	Describe and explain the basic concepts and principles related to the given seminar			x	
2	Apply the concepts and principles to solve hypothetical or real situations			x	x
3	Communicate ideas, arguments or advice clearly and coherently both orally and in writing		x	x	x
4	Critically analyse and evaluate concepts, principles and policy underpinning the area of law covered by the seminar		x	x	x

A1: Attitude

Develop an attitude of discovery/innovation/creativity, as demonstrated by students possessing a strong sense of curiosity, asking questions actively, challenging assumptions or engaging in inquiry together with teachers.

A2: Ability

Develop the ability/skill needed to discover/innovate/create, as demonstrated by students possessing critical thinking skills to assess ideas, acquiring research skills, synthesizing knowledge across disciplines or applying academic knowledge to real-life problems.

A3: Accomplishments

Demonstrate accomplishment of discovery/innovation/creativity through producing /constructing creative works/new artefacts, effective solutions to real-life problems or new processes.

Learning and Teaching Activities (LTAs)

LTAs		Brief Description	CILO No.	Hours/week (if applicable)
1	Lectures or interactive seminars	students will acquire basic knowledge of the relevant concept and principles, including by asking or responding to questions	1	
2	Group discussions/ exercises	students will get an opportunity to apply law or legal principles to practical situations; Tutorials – students will apply their understanding of legal concepts and principles to solve hypothetical situations	2	
3	Tutorials	oral presentations and written submissions	3	

4	Lectures or interactive seminars	students will develop critical analytical abilities by observing and participating in discussions; Guided reflective pre/post-class reading	4	
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Assessment Tasks / Activities (ATs)

ATs	CILO No.	Weighting (%)	Remarks (e.g. Parameter for GenAI use)
1	Attendance and participation in tutorials and other exercises	1, 2, 3, 4	The use of Generative AI tools is not allowed.

Continuous Assessment (%)

0

Examination Duration (Hours)

3

Additional Information for ATs

End-of-course examination: to be decided by the individual course leader (duration: 3 hours, if applicable)

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Students are required to attend at least 70% of the classes. If a student does not meet this requirement, he/she may be disqualified for assessment.

Students' achievements will be graded on the basis of their performance in assessment tasks/activities. To pass this course, students must obtain an aggregate mark of 40% and a minimum of 30% in each of the specified assessment tasks/activities.

Applicable to students admitted before Semester A 2022/23 and in Semester A 2024/25 & thereafter

Students must obtain a minimum mark of an overall mark of 40% in order to pass the course.

Applicable to students admitted from Semester A 2022/23 to Summer Term 2024

Students must obtain a minimum mark of an overall mark of 50% in order to pass the course.

Assessment Rubrics (AR)**Assessment Task**

Attendance and participation in tutorials and other exercises presentation) (for students admitted before Semester A 2022/23 and in Semester A 2024/25 & thereafter)

Criterion

Demonstration of concentration on tutorials and other exercises.

Demonstration of ability and willingness to answer questions in tutorials and to participate in group discussion.

Demonstration of oral presentation skills and willingness.

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Fair

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Marginal

(D) Sufficient familiarity with the subject matter to enable the student to progress without repeating the course.

Failure

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Criterion

Demonstration of understanding of concepts, principles, and theories.

Demonstration of ability to identify legal issues.

Application of knowledge to specific legal problems, to discuss questions, and to comment on legal phenomenon.

Application of legal writing and research skills.

Demonstration of ability to engage in argument-based analysis based on critical thinking.

Demonstration of aptitude for formulating innovative solutions to designated fact-based questions.

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Part III Other Information

Keyword Syllabus

This being merely an umbrella course, it has no syllabus of its own. The syllabus of each intensive seminar offered under this course will be decided by the visiting staff and/or the course leader and outlined in the course manual. For record purposes, the keyword syllabus of every intensive seminar will be included in Appendix B to this Form.

Reading List

Compulsory Readings

Title	
1	Nil

Additional Readings

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1	Nil