

Law in International and Global History
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The focus of this seminar is law, in its various guises (international, domestic, public, private, criminal, religious). We will examine how law functions in the lives of persons and communities in an interconnected modern world and in relations between states. We will touch on many of the following topics: migration, statelessness, humanitarian intervention, human rights, colonialism, war and occupation, rule of law, Eurocentrism, indigeneity, minorities, trade, international institutions. We will read secondary literature concerning various regions of the world (especially the Middle East) and concerning the world as a whole. Students will write a research paper on a topic and region of their choice, engaging with legal sources and legal questions against the backdrop of a global context.

Representative readings:

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- Eslava, Luis, Michael Fakhri, and Vasuki Nesiiah, eds. *Bandung, Global History, and International Law: Critical Pasts and Pending Futures*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2017.
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- . *Law and Colonial Cultures: Legal Regimes in World History, 1400-1900*. Studies in Comparative World History. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2002.
- Koskenniemi, Martti. *The Gentle Civilizer of Nations: The Rise and Fall of International Law, 1870-1960*. Hersch Lauterpacht Memorial Lectures. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2002.
- Mazower, Mark. *Governing the World: The History of an Idea*. New York: The Penguin Press, 2012.
- Moyn, Samuel. *The Last Utopia: Human Rights in History*. Cambridge, MA: Belknap Press of Harvard University Press, 2010.
- Orford, Anne. *International Law and the Politics of History*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2021.
- Pitts, Jennifer. *Boundaries of the International: Law and Empire*. Cambridge, Massachusetts: Harvard University Press, 2018.
- Tzouvala, Ntina. *Capitalism as Civilisation : A History of International Law*. Cambridge Studies in International and Comparative Law ; 142. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2020.