
SAKSFRAMLEGG

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Proposal for syllabus change in the course JUR-3054 Law of the Sea II, effective from the autumn semester in the academic year of 2024-2025

Innstilling til vedtak:

1. The proposed change to the syllabus in the course JUR-3054 Law of the Sea II is approved in accordance with the attached proposal (attachment 1).
2. The syllabus change will take effect from the autumn semester in the academic year of 2024-2025.

Background:

The proposal to modify the syllabus in the course JUR-3054 Law of the Sea II (15 ECTS), which is a mandatory course in the first semester of the Law of the Sea master's program, was submitted on April 5th 2024 by program leader Youri van Logchem (attachment 1), and is supported by academic staff connected to the course.

The proposed syllabus change is due to updates, overlap in existing literature and to better align the syllabus with the course description and learning outcomes.

The proposed change has been developed in consultation with the instructors of the course. The details of the new syllabus, along with the rationale, are provided in the attached document (see Attachment 1). The proposed syllabus change does not require any modifications to the learning outcomes description.

If the syllabus change is approved, it must be updated in Leganto by the university administration within the deadline of June 1st, 2024.

Assessment:

As a result of the proposed change, the total number of syllabus pages will increase from 767 to 824, representing an increase of 55 pages. However, the overall page count remains 1 page less than the norm of 675-825 pages for 15 ECTS courses in the LLM-program.

The academic considerations of the program leader in the syllabus proposal is partly based on the fact that LLM-students already are required to have read/studied the full book of Churchill et al. for the first course of the program, JUR-3050 of the LLM in Law of the Sea. In this light, chapters from

this book as required reading for JUR-3054 as well (i.e., those chapters in relation to marine scientific research, delimitation, and dispute settlement) appear unnecessary.

Furthermore, on the topic of delimitation, the current syllabus includes extensive literature on the extended continental shelf. There is also some overlap in this prescribed literature. The issue of delimitation is covered by alternative literature in the syllabus proposal, which is in line with the course description/learning outcomes.

Based on the above mentioned considerations, the proposed new syllabus appears justified based on academic considerations.

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