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**WORK PROGRAM OF THE ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE  
INTERNATIONAL LEGAL PROTECTION OF GENDER RIGHTS**

**Level of higher education**  
**Field of knowledge**  
**Specialty**  
**Educational program**  
**Status of the discipline**  
**Language of instruction**

first (bachelor's)  
29 International Relations  
293 International Law  
International Law  
mandatory  
English

Uzhgorod 2024

Working program of the academic discipline "**International Legal Protection of Gender Rights**" for applicants of higher education field of knowledge 29 **International Relations specialty 293 International Law** of the Educational Program **International Law**.

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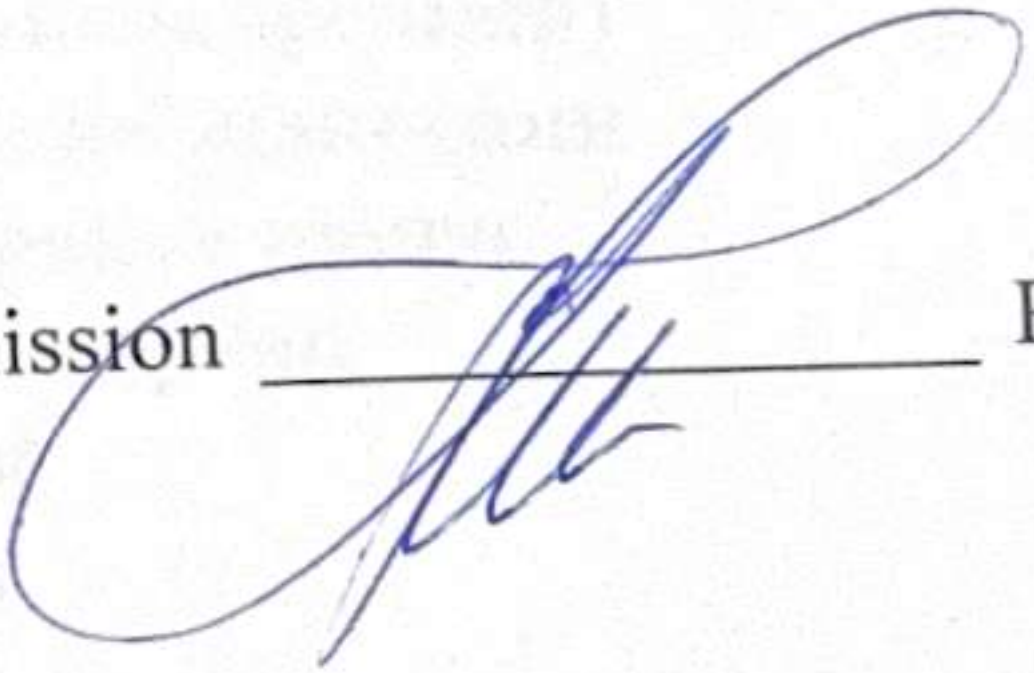
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## 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE COURSE

Name of indicators	Distribution of hours	
	Full-time	Part-time
Number of credits – 3(ECTS)	Year of preparation:	
Total number of hours – 90		
Number of modules – 1	4	4
Weekly hours for full-time study: classroom – 4	Term:	
Semester:	8	12
Type of final control – credit	Lectures:	
Form of final control: testing	24	8
	Practical (seminar):	
	20	4
	Laboratory:	
	-	-
	Self-work:	
	46	78

## 2. PURPOSE OF THE ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE

The purpose of studying the academic discipline is to familiarize students with the concept of gender and the general principles of gender rights in international law, to study the history and development of the struggle for gender equality, to analyze modern directions of ensuring gender equality in Europe and Ukraine, to form practical skills and abilities in the correct interpretation and application of international and national norms related to gender equality.

According to the educational program, studying the discipline contributes to the formation of the following competencies in higher education applicants:

***Integral competence:*** The ability to solve complex specialized tasks in the field of international law.

***General competencies:***

- Ability to learn and master modern knowledge (GC2)
- Ability to communicate in a foreign language (GC4)
- Ability to search, process and analyze information from various sources (GC5)
- Ability to work in an international context (GC7)
- Ability to exercise one's rights and obligations as a member of society, to realize the values of a civil (free democratic) society and the need for its sustainable development, the rule of law, the rights and freedoms of man and citizen in Ukraine (GC9)

***Special (professional) competencies:***

- Ability to critically reflect on theories, principles, methods and concepts of international law, European Union law, comparative law, take into account the temporal factor and predict the main directions of development of legal systems (SK1)
- Ability to form judgments in the field of international law, European Union law, national law, comparative law, taking into account social, scientific and ethical aspects (SK2)
- Ability to interpret and apply European Union law, participate in the adaptation of Ukrainian legislation to EU law, provide legal support for Ukraine's European and Euro-Atlantic integration (SK4)
- Ability to independently prepare drafts of normative, legal interpretation and law enforcement acts (SK14).

## 3. PREREQUISITES FOR STUDYING AN ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE

The prerequisites for studying the academic discipline are the mastery of the following academic disciplines (ND) of the educational and professional program (OP):

- OK 22 Foreign language in the specialty

## 4. EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES

According to the educational and professional program for the bachelor's degree in the field of knowledge International Relations, specialty 293 International Law, the study of the academic discipline "International Legal Protection of Gender Rights" should ensure that higher education applicants achieve the following program learning outcomes (PLO):

<b>Program learning outcomes</b>	<b>PLO</b>
Know and understand the foundations of the state's foreign policy, and the dynamics of international relations, international cooperation at the universal and regional levels, identify the legal status of subjects of international relations and the nature of interaction between them.	PLO 01
Understand the historical context of the formation of international legal norms and institutions, the values that underlie them, predict the main directions of development of international and national law.	PLO 02
Analyze the dynamics of the adaptation of Ukrainian legislation to the law of the European Union, take into account the legal aspects of the processes of European and Euro-Atlantic integration when solving complex professional tasks.	PLO 04
Draft an international treaty and related documentation (ratification law, explanatory notes, etc.) in Ukrainian and foreign languages, draft procedural documents, texts of draft laws, explanatory notes, comparative tables, other accompanying documentation for draft laws, conduct diplomatic and business correspondence.	PLO 08
Possess professional oral and written translation skills from/to a foreign language(s), in particular, in the specialized field of international law.	PLO 14
Use modern digital technologies, collect from various sources, systematize and analyze information on international and national legal processes and phenomena.	PLO 15
Formulate conclusions, develop recommendations, and justify one's own vision of ways to solve problems in the field of law-making, law interpretation, and law enforcement.	PLO 16

Expected learning outcomes that should be achieved by students after mastering the academic discipline "International Legal Protection of Gender Rights":

<b>Program learning outcomes</b>	<b>PLO</b>
Know and understand the foundations of the state's foreign policy in the field of gender equality and ensuring gender rights, and the dynamics of international relations, international cooperation at the universal and regional levels, identify the legal status of subjects of international relations and the nature of interaction between them.	PLO 01
Understand the historical context of the formation of international legal norms and institutions in the field of gender equality and	PLO 02

ensuring gender rights, the values, in particular the feminist theory of law, that underlie them, predict the main directions of development of international and national law.	
Analyze the dynamics of the adaptation of Ukrainian legislation to the law of the European Union in the field of gender equality and ensuring gender rights, take into account the legal aspects of the processes of European and Euro-Atlantic integration when solving complex professional tasks.	PLO 04
Draft international treaties and related documentation (ratification laws, explanatory notes, etc.) in Ukrainian and foreign languages, draft procedural documents, texts of draft laws, explanatory notes, comparative tables, other supporting documentation for draft laws, conduct diplomatic and business correspondence related to ensuring gender equality and gender rights	PLO 07
Have professional oral and written translation skills from/to foreign language(s), in particular, on topics related to gender equality and gender issues	PLO 14
Use modern digital technologies, collect from various sources, systematize and analyze information on international and national legal processes and phenomena in the field of gender equality and ensuring gender rights	PLO 15
Formulate conclusions, develop recommendations, substantiate one's own vision of ways to solve problems in the field of law-making, law-interpreting and law-enforcement activities in the field of gender equality and ensuring gender rights	PLO 16

## **5. DIAGNOSTIC TOOLS AND CRITERIA FOR ASSESSING LEARNING OUTCOMES**

### **Assessment tools and methods of demonstrating learning outcomes**

Assessment tools and methods of demonstrating learning outcomes in the discipline are:

- student activity in the discussion, quality of the abstract;
- performance of practical, creative work, team projects;
- speeches at practical classes, reports, presentations, abstracts, essays, scientific articles and abstracts of reports at conferences;
- performance of individual and group tasks of independent work;
- performance of test tasks, as well as modular control works.

During modular and final control, the means of assessing learning outcomes in the discipline are computer testing, performance of theoretical and practical tasks.

### **Forms of control and criteria for assessing learning outcomes**

Forms of current control: oral and written answers in seminars and practical classes.

Form of module control: written with elements of testing.

Form of final semester control: credit.

### Distribution of points received by applicants for higher education (module 1)

Ongoing assessment and independent work				Module	Total
T1,T2	T3,T4	T5, T6	T7- T10		
<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>100</b>

T1, T2, T3, T4... - topics

### Evaluation of individual types of academic work in the discipline

Type of activity	Module 1	
	Amount	Maximum number of points (total)
Practical (seminar) classes	<b>12</b>	<b>60</b>
Modular test	<b>1</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>

### Evaluation criteria for module control work

Evaluation of module tasks. After completing the content module program within the period specified by the dean's office, the current module control is carried out in the form of a written work and a test, which is evaluated within the range of 1 to 20 points. If for objective reasons the student did not pass the module control within the specified period, then he has the right, with the permission of the dean's office, to pass it within two weeks after the arrears arose.

### Evaluation criteria for the final semester control

Ongoing assessment and independent work		Total
Module 1	Module 2	
100	-	100

During the semester, students study 1 module in the discipline. After completing each module (lectures, practical classes), current control is carried out in the form of written work and testing. Students who did not attend lectures or did not fully complete the tasks for independent work are not allowed to current control for the content module. Assessment of students' academic achievements and practical skills is carried out according to a 100-point system for 1 module.

A student who, as a result of current assessment and final control for modules (average score for two modules), received more than 60 points has the right not to

take the test for the discipline. In case<sup>6</sup> of receiving a positive final grade for the module, the student also has the right to refuse to take the test. In this case, the overall final grade is entered in the credit and examination record. Provided that the student wants to improve the final grade for the module in the discipline, he (she) must take the test.

A student who, as a result of the final assessment for modules, received less than 60 points is required to take a test in the discipline. If the student's answers during the test are evaluated at less than 60 points, he (she) receives an unsatisfactory final grade. In this case, the results of the current control are not taken into account. The assessment of students' academic achievements is carried out according to the following scale:

**Grading scale: national and ECTS**

Total points for all types of educational activities	ECTS score	National scale score	
		for exam, course project (work), practice	for credit
90 - 100	<b>A</b>	excellent	passed
82-89	<b>B</b>	good	
74-81	<b>C</b>		
64-73	<b>D</b>		
60-63	<b>E</b>	satisfactory	
35-59	<b>FX</b>	unsatisfactory with the possibility of retaking	not passed with the possibility of retaking
0-34	<b>F</b>	unsatisfactory with mandatory re-study of the discipline	not passed with mandatory re-study of the discipline

## 6. COURSE SYLLABUS

### 6.1. Course Content

#### **Topic 1. The concept of gender and feminism in international law**

1. Gender as a legal category: an international legal approach
2. Feminism and its influence on the development of international law
3. Basic theories of gender equality in legal doctrine
4. The role of international organizations in promoting gender equality
5. Feminist theory of law and its significance in international jurisprudence

#### **Topic 2. Gender equality in international law**

1. Gender rights as a component of international human rights protection
2. The UN and its mechanisms for protecting gender equality (CEDAW, Beijing Platform for Action)
3. Regional mechanisms for ensuring gender equality (Council of Europe, EU, OAS, African Union)
4. Interaction of international and national law in the field of gender equality
5. Gender equality policy in international legal acts

#### **Topic 3. The concept of gender discrimination under international and national law**

1. The concept and forms of gender discrimination in international law
2. International legal standards for combating discrimination on the basis of sex
3. Case law of the European Court of Human Rights in discrimination cases
4. Responsibility of states for failure to comply with international standards on gender equality
5. Gender discrimination in the workplace and mechanisms for overcoming it under international law

#### **Topic 4. Gender-based violence: international legal mechanisms for combating**

1. Definition and classification of gender-based violence in international law
2. Council of Europe Convention on Prevention of Violence against Women (Istanbul Convention)
3. Obligations of states to protect individuals from gender-based violence
4. Practice of international tribunals in dealing with crimes related to sexual violence
5. Political and legal measures prevention of gender-based violence in international law

#### **Topic 5. Gender identity and its international legal protection**

1. The concept of gender identity in international law
2. ECHR case law on the protection of the rights of persons with different gender identities
3. International standards of legal recognition of gender identity
4. UN and regional organization policies on the rights of transgender persons
5. Problems and challenges of legal regulation of gender identity in the international context

## **Topic 6. Protection of gender rights in international criminal law**

1. Gender crimes in international criminal law
2. The role of the International Criminal Court in considering crimes against women and LGBT+ persons
3. Gender-based violence as a war crime: practice of international tribunals
4. Obligations of states to investigate and punish crimes based on gender hatred
5. Gender policy in international military operations

## **Topic 7. Gender aspects in international labor law**

1. Gender equality in the workplace: international legal standards
2. ILO conventions on combating discrimination in employment
3. Equal pay policy under international law
4. Legal mechanisms for combating sexual harassment in the workplace
5. Case law on gender discrimination in the workplace

## **Topic 8. Gender and migration law**

1. Gender-specific challenges for women and LGBT+ migrants
2. International legal protection of asylum seekers on gender grounds
3. UN policy on the protection of the rights of women and LGBT+ refugees
4. Case law in cases of granting refugee status on gender grounds
5. Gender discrimination in the context of international migration and employment

## **Topic 9. Gender and international humanitarian law**

1. The impact of armed conflicts on gender equality
2. Protection women and children in armed conflicts: international legal mechanisms
3. War crimes based on sexual violence: practice of international courts
4. Gender perspective in UN peacekeeping operations
5. Policy of involving women in peacekeeping activities

## **Topic 10. Prospects for the development of international legal protection of gender rights**

1. Gender equality in the UN sustainable development agenda
2. Challenges for international law in the field of gender equality
3. Recent trends in international jurisprudence on gender rights
4. Political and legal initiatives to improve the international mechanism for the protection of gender rights
5. International legal cooperation in the field of protection of gender rights

## 6.2 Structure of the academic discipline

Names of content	Number of hours					
	full-time					
	Total	including				
lec		pract	labs	ind	s-w	
1 term						
Topic 1. The concept of gender and feminism in international law	<b>8</b>	2	2	-	-	4
Topic 2. Gender equality in international law	<b>10</b>	2	2	-	-	6
Topic 3. The concept of gender discrimination under international and national law	<b>10</b>	4	2	-	-	4
Topic 4. Gender-based violence: international legal mechanisms for combating	<b>10</b>	4	2	-	-	4
Topic 5. Gender identity and its international legal protection	<b>10</b>	2	2	-	-	6
Topic 6. Protection of gender rights in international criminal law	<b>8</b>	2	2	-	-	4
Topic 7. Gender aspects in international labor law	<b>8</b>	2	2	-	-	4
Topic 8. Gender and migration law	<b>8</b>	2	2	-	-	4
Topic 9. Gender and international humanitarian law	<b>8</b>	2	2	-	-	4
Topic 10. Prospects for the development of international legal protection of gender rights	<b>10</b>	2	2	-	-	6
Total for the module	<b>90</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>20</b>	-	-	<b>46</b>
Total for the semester	<b>90</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>20</b>	-	-	<b>46</b>

Names of content	Number of hours					
	Total	Part-time				
		including				
	lec	pract	labs	ind	s-w	
1 term						
Topic 1. The concept of gender and feminism in international law	<b>7</b>	1	-	-	-	6
Topic 2. Gender equality in international law	<b>10</b>	1	1	-	-	8
Topic 3. The concept of gender discrimination under international and national law	<b>10</b>	1	1	-	-	8
Topic 4. Gender-based violence: international legal mechanisms for combating	<b>9</b>	1	-	-	-	8
Topic 5. Gender identity and its international legal protection	<b>9</b>	1	-	-	-	8
Topic 6. Protection of gender rights in international criminal law	<b>9</b>	1	-	-	-	8
Topic 7. Gender aspects in international labor law	<b>9</b>	1	-	-	-	8
Topic 8. Gender and migration law	<b>9</b>	1	-	-	-	8
Topic 9. Gender and international humanitarian law	<b>9</b>	-	1	-	-	8
Topic 10. Prospects for the development of international legal protection of gender rights	<b>9</b>	-	1	-	-	8
Total for the module	<b>90</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	-	-	<b>78</b>
Total for the semester	<b>90</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	-	-	<b>78</b>

## 6.2 <sup>11</sup>Practical (workshops)

№ з/ п	Topic	Hours	
		full-time	part-time
1	Topic 1. The concept of gender and feminism in international law	2	-
2	Topic 2. Gender equality in international law	2	1
3	Topic 3. The concept of gender discrimination under international and national law	2	1
4	Topic 4. Gender-based violence: international legal mechanisms for combating	2	-
5	Topic 5. Gender identity and its international legal protection	2	-
6	Topic 6. Protection of gender rights in international criminal law	2	-
7	Topic 7. Gender aspects in international labor law	2	-
8	Topic 8. Gender and migration law	2	-
9	Topic 9. Gender and international humanitarian law	2	1
10	Topic 10. Prospects for the development of international legal protection of gender rights	2	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>20</b>	<b>4</b>

## 6.3. Self-work

№ з/ п	Topic	Hours	
		full-time	part-time
1	Topic 1. The concept of gender and feminism in international law	4	6
2	Topic 2. Gender equality in international law	6	8
3	Topic 3. The concept of gender discrimination under international and national law	4	8
4	Topic 4. Gender-based violence: international legal mechanisms for combating	4	8
5	Topic 5. Gender identity and its international legal protection	6	8
6	Topic 6. Protection of gender rights in international criminal law	4	8
7	Topic 7. Gender aspects in international labor law	4	8
8	Topic 8. Gender and migration law	4	8
9	Topic 9. Gender and international humanitarian law	4	8
10	Topic 10. Prospects for the development of international legal protection of gender rights	6	8
<b>Total</b>		<b>46</b>	<b>78</b>

## 7. TOOLS, EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE, THE USE OF WHICH IS PROVIDED FOR BY THE COURSE<sup>12</sup>

Technical means: projector.

Equipment: computer.

Software: Windows, Power Point, Moodle, Google Meet.

## 8. RECOMMENDED SOURCES

### Basic literature

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