DU LLM International Law, « Cyber Law »

Duration: 2.5 hrs x 6 weeks.

Upon completion of this course, students will demonstrate their ability to:
- Understand the specificities of cyberspace: architecture, actors, threats, geopolitical context, etc.
- Understand and apply the rules of general international law to cyberoperations.
- Analyze the legal difficulties of applying international law to cyberoperations.
- Understand the UN processes and other international processes related to cyber issues.

**Syllabus**

Course 1: Introduction to cyber law

The objective of the course is to understand the nature of cyberspace, the nature of the threats and the geopolitical surrounding states and non-state actors behaviours in cyberspace.

Readings:

Course 2: The international governance of cyberspace

The objective of the course is to provide an overview of the international bodies involved in Internet governance and cyber diplomacy.

Readings:
Course 3: States’ international responsibility for cyberoperations (Part 1)

The objective of the course is to understand how rules of general international law apply to cyberoperations; the issues of interpretation raised by the characteristics of cyberspace; State’s views on the interpretation of international law to cyberoperations; and the legal remedies available when a State commits an internationally wrongful acts in cyberspace.

Readings:

Course 4: States’ international responsibility for cyberoperations (Part 2)

The objective of the course is to understand how cyber operations can be attributed to States, both from a technical and legal perspectives, and the problems raised by the characteristics of cyberspace. The different aspects of attribution, including States’ practice on public attributions, are also introduced.

Readings:

Course 5: Cyber weapons proliferation and international law

The objective of the course is to understand the limits of a disarmament approach to counter cyber weapons proliferation and to look at the rules and branches of international law that can participate in cyber weapons counter-proliferation. The course picks up elements from all previous courses and offers the opportunity to study them in the context of cyber weapons proliferation.

Readings:

**Course 6: Exam corrections and wrap-up of the course**

The last course is dedicated to the correction of the exam that students sent.