



**Vienna Law School
LL.M. in International Legal Studies
Summer Semester 2017**

Course Title: GATT/WTO Substantive Law for International Trade
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I.) Course Description and Objectives

This course follows and extends the topics of the first semester World Trade Organization (WTO). It underscores the particular importance of the procedural rules contained in the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU).

II.) Course Outline

GATT Hierarchy of Instruments and Legal Framework
Trade in Services (GATS)
Trade-related Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS)
WTO and Environmental Protection
WTO and International Labour Standards
WTO and Foreign Direct Investment

III.) Reading

- GATT Analytical Index, Guide to GATT Law and Practice, 2 vols.
- World Trade Organization, A Handbook on the GATS Agreement, CUP, 2005.
 - J.H. Jackson, Sovereignty, the WTO and changing Fundamentals of international law.
 - John H. Jackson, William J. Davey and Alan O. Sykes, Legal Problems of International Economic Relations - Cases, Materials and Text, 4th ed., 2002 (abbreviated: Jackson).
 - Patrick F. J. Macrory, Arthur E. Appleton, Michael G. Plummer (eds.), The World Trade Organization: Legal, Economic and Political Analysis, Springer, 2005
 - Peter Muchlinski, Federico Ortino, Christoph Schreuer (eds.), The Oxford Handbook of International Investment Law, OUP, 2008
 - Nico Schrijver, Friedl Weiss, International Law and Sustainable Development: Principle and Praxis, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 2004.
 - Michael Trebilcock & Robert Howse, The Regulation of International Trade, Routledge, 3d ed., 2005.
 - Peter van den Bossche, The Law and Policy of the World Trade Organization, Text, Cases and Materials, 2nd ed., CUP, 2008.
 - Friedl Weiss (ed.), Improving WTO Dispute Settlement Procedures: Issues and Lessons From the Practice of Other International Courts and Tribunals, Cameron/May, London 2000.

IV.) Course Assessment

Written examination (2 hrs), active class participation, no presentations.