

# WTO Law on Border Measures and Trade Facilitation

**ECTS: 3**

**Root Number: 446634**

## Course Description

The course will introduce students to the main international trade rules on market access for trade in goods, focusing on the key border management measures. Students are expected to acquire a thorough understanding of the rules applicable to different forms of border control measures and to appreciate the challenges faced in applying the WTO rules.

The course will focus on the basic border management measures (tariffs, tariff classification, customs valuation, rules of origin, and quantitative restrictions), including the applicable WTO rules, practice and jurisprudence, and will conclude by providing a brief overview of the new Trade Facilitation Agreement. The course will also explore, through focused discussions and practical exercises, the legal and practical implications of issues such as Schedules of concessions, bound tariffs, tariff renegotiations under Article XXVIII, other duties and taxes, tariff rate quotas, non-tariff barriers, prohibitions and restrictions, as well as the manner in which the new agreement on Trade Facilitation Agreement seeks to improve the clearance procedures.

This course will be of particular interest to those interested in private sector trading, government negotiations and regulation. It will also be of particular interest to those working in customs compliance matters or on the export side of companies and those supporting such companies as consultants or via institutions like the Chambers of Commerce.