

International Law of Contemporary Media

Fall Term 2015/2016

Wednesdays, 12–14 pm, University Main Building Room 214

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Schedule of sessions

Session No / Date	Topics
Session 1: 16 September	Introduction to international media law. Overview of the core themes
Session 2: 23 September	International human rights framework
Session 3: 30 September	International telecommunications law
Session 4: 21 October	The Internet: History, implications, jurisdiction in cyberspace and Internet governance Part 1
Session 5: 28 October	The Internet: History, implications, jurisdiction in cyberspace and Internet governance Part 2
Session 6: 4 November	Interactive session: The boundaries of cyberspace: To regulate or not to regulate cyberspace?
Session 7: 11 November	International economic regulation: The World Trade Organization and its rules pertinent to media Part 1
Session 8: 18 November	International economic regulation: The World Trade Organization and its rules pertinent to media Part 2
Session 9: 25 November	International intellectual property regime: Overview and recent developments in global copyright Guest lecturer: Emanuel Meyer, Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property
Session 10: 2 December	Media globalization and its discontents: UNESCO vs. WTO; public interest concerns (cultural diversity, public service broadcasting, etc.)

Session 11: 9 December	Interactive session: The quest for cultural diversity in a new media environment: More or less regulation needed?
Session 12: 16 December	Emerging challenges and opportunities for media law
Session 13: tbc	Q & As
Exam	January 2016 (tbc)