

## SUBJECT TEACHING GUIDE

### 1278 - The Internationalization of Criminal Law. International Crimes and International Criminal Tribunals Master's Degree in Human Rights and Mechanisms of National and International Protection

Academic year 2025-2026

1. IDENTIFYING DATA					
Degree	Master's Degree in Human Rights and Mechanisms of National and International Protection			Type and Year	Compulsory. Year 1
Faculty	Faculty of Law				
Discipline	NATIONAL, REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS				
Course unit title and code	1278 - The Internationalization of Criminal Law. International Crimes and International Criminal Tribunals				
Number of ECTS credits allocated	3	Term	Semester based (2)		
Web					
Language of instruction	Spanish	English Friendly	No	Mode of delivery	Face-to-face

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3.1 LEARNING OUTCOMES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1. Identify the roles and functions of the International Criminal Court and the Spanish State in the criminal protection of human rights.</li> <li>2. Know the elements of international crimes.</li> <li>3. Know how to design the most convenient strategy to obtain criminal protection of rights.</li> </ul>

4. OBJECTIVES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Know the International Criminal Court and the crimes under its jurisdiction</li> <li>- Know the scope and assumptions of universal criminal jurisdiction</li> <li>- Know and critically review the use of criminal law in conflict situations at the international level</li> </ul>

**6. SUBJECT PROGRAM**

**CONTENTS**

1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Human rights and criminal law.</li> <li>- Origin and evolution of the Universal Jurisdiction.</li> <li>- The International Criminal Courts and the concept of international crime.</li> <li>- The International Criminal Court. Genocide, Crimes against Humanity, war crimes and crime of aggression. Elements of crimes in the Rome Statute. Comparative analysis with the Spanish Penal Code.</li> <li>- Use of state violence against people: open issues in the international arena.</li> </ul>
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**7. ASSESSMENT METHODS AND CRITERIA**

Description	Type	Final Eval.	Reassessn	%
continuous assessment	Work	No	Yes	60,00
final exam	Written exam	No	Yes	40,00
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>100,00</b>
Observations				
Observations for part-time students				
Part-time students can replace the continuous evaluation with a single final written exam.				

**8. BIBLIOGRAPHY AND TEACHING MATERIALS**

**BASIC**

Alicia Gil Gil (dir.), Elena Maculan (dir.), Derecho penal Internacional ( 2ª ed. o última), Dykinson, 2019