Liverpool John Moores University

Title: INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION LAW

Status: Definitive

Code: **7020LAWBC** (107712)

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Owning School/Faculty: Law Teaching School/Faculty: Law

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Academic Credit Total

Level: FHEQ7 Value: 15.00 Delivered 24.00

Hours:

Total Private

Learning 150 Study: 126

Hours:

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours
Seminar	24.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	COURSEWORK	100.0	

Aims

- 1. To analyse the goals pursued by international competition authorities in general.
- 2. Evaluate and critically assess the major aspects of competition law.
- 3. Compare and contrast the regulatory frameworks in the UK and the EU with that of the US.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Critically appraise the role of the institutions involved in the administration of competition law, and evaluate differences between international competition regulatory frameworks.
- 2 Demonstrate a critical awareness of the way in which jurisdiction is shared between the EU and UK competition authorities.
- 3 Demonstrate a critical awareness of the economic theory underpinning US anti-trust law
- Examine and offer a considered opinion on the policy goals pursued by competition law in general.
- 5 Critically discuss the evolving role of competition regulation in the new era of globalisation and free markets.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

ESSAY 1 2 3 4 5

Outline Syllabus

Goals of competition law – the theoretical justification for interference, and its limits

The Harvard and Chicago Schools of competition regulation

Institutions involved in the administration of competition law

Oligopolistic and monopolistic activity and its regulation – including price fixing, horizontal/vertical competition constraints and the operation of cartels

Merger control in the UK and the EU and US

Learning Activities

Lectures, reading, small group discussion, participation in seminars, private study, research, planning and writing assessed course work

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Furse, M
Publishing Year	2008
Title	Competition Law of the EC and UK
Subtitle	
Edition	6th

Publisher	Blackstone
ISBN	978-0199237920

Course Material	Book
Author	Jones, A
Publishing Year	2008
Title	'EC Competition Law: Text, Cases, Materials'
Subtitle	
Edition	3rd
Publisher	Oxford
ISBN	978-0199299041

Course Material	Book
Author	Whish, R
Publishing Year	2008
Title	Competition Law
Subtitle	
Edition	6th
Publisher	Oxford
ISBN	978-0199289387

Course Material	Book
Author	Elhauge, E, & Geradin, D
Publishing Year	2007
Title	Global Competition Law and Economics
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	HART
ISBN	978-1841134659

Course Material	Book
Author	Van der Bergh, R & Camesasca, P,
Publishing Year	2006
Title	European Competition Law and Economics: A
	Comparative Perspective
Subtitle	
Edition	2nd
Publisher	Sweet & Maxwell
ISBN	978-0421965805

Course Material	Book
Author	Whish
Publishing Year	2009
Title	Competition Law
Subtitle	
Edition	6th
Publisher	OUP

ISBN	9780199289387

Notes

A module designed to analyse competition law theory in relation to the EU, UK and US competition law regimes.