Chinese Economic Law

**Synopsis**

This course examines the framework and principles of policy and jurisprudence regulating economic activities in the People’s Republic of China. Particular focus is placed on the branches of substantive laws that affect trade, investment, and financial and commercial transactions. Cultural and ethical foundations will be discussed to enhance the understanding into the Chinese legislative and judicial processes. A number of cases will be deployed for class debate to gain insight into the intrinsic application of Chinese laws in business decisions and dispute settlement.

**Objective**

This course is to foster the understanding and application of Chinese economic laws and regulations for business decision-makers.

**Outline**

1. Forces that shape Chinese law

* Political system and economic reform
* Chinese cultural and ethical foundations

1. Statutory organizations and process

* Institutional structure
* Legislative process

1. Framework of Chinese law

* Substantive law
* Procedural law

1. Sources and principles of Chinese economic law

* Constitution and amendments
* Civil code
* International commitment

1. Chinese law of contract

* UNSIG
* Contract law
* WTO commitment

1. Chinese investment law

* Regulation on direct investment
* Regulation on portfolio investment

1. Chinese law on consumer protection

* Consumer rights
* CSR enforcement

1. Chinese laws on intellectual properties

* IPRs and violation
* Recourse on IP infringement

1. Dispute settlement

* Arbitration
* Litigation

1. Examination

**Evaluation**

Attendance 10%

Participation 10%

Homework 30%

Exam 50%

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