

JUS5680: Internet Governance – Course outline, Autumn 2012

Unless otherwise announced on the course website, all lectures will be held on Fridays from 12:15 to 14:00 in room DN365, except for the revision session, which is scheduled on Thursday 29.11.12.

The lecturers are:

- JB: Jon Bing, NRCCL
- LB: Lee Bygrave, NRCCL
- KM: Kevin McGillivray, NRCCL

Date	Lecture	Issues	Reading	Lecturer
31.08.	Introduction to Internet Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History of Internet development. • Defining features of Internet. • Relationship to other networks and concepts. 	Bygrave & Bing, Ch. 1	JB
14.09.	Development of Core Internet Standards – Players and Processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of governance forms. • Overview of principal actors involved (IETF, W3C etc.). • RFC process – “rough consensus and running code”. 	Bygrave & Bing, Ch. 2-4	LB
21.09.	Domain Name System and ICANN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of DNS and principal bodies involved, with particular focus on ICANN 	Bygrave & Bing, Ch. 5 Froomkin, "Almost Free: An Analysis of ICANN's 'Affirmation of Commitments'"	LB
28.09.	Domain Name Dispute Resolution – UDRP, Trade Marks and Beyond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dispute resolution schemes, with particular focus on UDRP. • Role of ordinary law, with particular focus on trademark law. 	Bygrave & Bing, Ch. 5 Mueller, Ch. 7 UDRP Policy	KM
12.10.	New Generic Top Level Domains (gTLDs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application and evaluation process • Objection procedure • Overview of rights protection mechanisms 	ICANN, Applicant Guidebook	KM
11.10	Submission Deadline	Preliminary draft of term paper		
19.10.	World Summit on Information Society (WSIS) and Internet Governance Forum (IGF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History of WSIS process • Impact and likely outcomes of WSIS/IGF. 	Bygrave & Bing, Ch. 6 Mueller, Ch. 8- 11	KM

26.10.	Essay Workshop	Work-in-progress discussion on the IG Term Paper; includes tips on how to write a good paper (eventually, a thesis)		KM + LB
02.11.	Internet Governance in a Public International Law Perspective	The roles of, inter alia, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UN (particularly International Telecommunication Union (ITU)) • Council of Europe • OECD • EU 	Council of Europe, Ad-hoc Advisory Group on Cross-border Internet, Draft elements for a framework of general principles of internet governance and duties of States with respect to the protection of critical internet resources in a cross-border context	KM
09.11.	Internet Governance by Contract	The role of contract in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital communities • Enforcing public law rules • Naming and numbering system 	Bygrave, "Contract versus Statute in Internet Governance"	LB
16.11	Debate	Topics TBA		KM
29.11.	Revision Session			KM
19.12 at 13:00	Deadline for Submission of Term Paper			