Survey of Swiss Law
Summer 2013

Course

This course will explore various aspects of Swiss, European, and international law, surveying a broad range of subjects. The course will be taught with instructors from Switzerland and include visits to institutions.

Objectives include: 1) understanding of basic aspects of the Swiss legal system; 2) better comprehension of the significance of different sources of international, European, and Swiss law; and 3) improved understanding of the lawyer’s operations in foreign jurisdictions.

Administrative Items

Classes: Students must be available to meet pursuant to the Swiss program calendar.

Class Performance: Regular, punctual class attendance and participation are course requirements. Attendance also includes visits to institutions around Switzerland. Attendance and participation can affect course grades.

Grading: Final grades will be based upon a final examination.

Text and Other Materials: Any reading material will be assigned throughout the course by instructors for individual class sessions.

Contact Information: My e-mail address is krosen@law.ua.edu.

Recording Devices: The use of recording devices is prohibited without my prior permission.

Accommodations: Students with disabilities or special needs are encouraged to contact Claude Arrington, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, at (205) 348-6557 or carrington@law.ua.edu, so that any individual needs for support services can be evaluated and accommodated in a timely manner. Please let me know if I can be of assistance as well.
Survey Sessions

Criminal Law

Federal Supreme Court of Switzerland in Lausanne

Federalism

Human Rights

Institutions of Berne including Swiss Parliament

Introduction to Swiss Law

Swiss Prison Visit and Swiss Penal System

Switzerland and the European Union

Tort Law

United Nations and the Law of International Organizations in Geneva