JAPAN'S TRADE LAW AND POLICY 2 credits (Spring) 日本の通商関連法・政策 2単位(春学期)

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Course Description/Objectives/Teaching Method/Intended Learning Outcome:

This course focuses on global trade system/rules (namely WTO Agreements and Free Trade Agreements) and Japanese trade policies and laws under those rules. Participation in this course will provide basic knowledge on concepts and terms related to global trade system/rules, together with tools for legal analysis of trade laws and policies of respective countries.

The classes start with lectures on basic trade system/rules/policies followed by case studies. Relevant cases are distributed in advance and active participation in the case-related presentations, debates or other forms of group work, depending on the number of students, is necessary.

Course Plan:

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- -Overview of the World Trade System: WTO and Free Trade Agreements(FTAs)
- -Brief history of Japan's trade policy: WTO and FTAs/Economic Partnership Agreement(EPAs)
- 2 Basic Trade Rules: GATT (tariff reduction, non-discrimination, etc.)
- 3 Case Study: Japan-Taxes on Alcoholic Beverages (China-Rare Earths, EC-IT Products)
- Δ Basic Trade Rules and FTAs
- Case Study: Legality of Japan-US Trade Agreement 5
- 6 Agriculture and SPS Agreement/TBT Agreement
- 7 Case Study: Japan-Apples (Korea-Radionuclides/Japan-Laver Quotas)
- 8 Trade Remedies 1: Safeguard
- 9 Case Study: Ukraine-Passenger Cars
- 10 Trade Remedies 2: Anti-Dumping Duties and Subsidies/ Countervailing Duties
- 11 Case Study: US-Zeroing (US-Byrd Amendment
- 12 Other Issues (Services/Intellectual Properties) and Dispute Settlement
- 13 Case Study: Japan-Film
- Other Report assingnments relating to case studies will be indicated.

Method of Evaluation:

Attendance, Participation (presentation, debates or other group-work depending on the number of students)

Textbooks:

Original handouts or materials will be provided.

Reference Books:

Reference books or materials will be indicated if necessary.

Lecturer's Comments to Students:

This course is also for students who have not necessarily studied law. Questions/Comments:

Questions/Comments via e-mail. Lecture's e-mail address will be indicated if necessary.