

**MASARYK UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF LAW  
INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY LAW:  
EBOLA, MERS & OTHER THREATS & EVENTS**

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**Outline Class #1 – March 10, 2015—15:05 – 18:10**

- Introductions
    - Name, undergraduate education, current employment (if pertinent), career objective, international affiliations (if applicable).
    - Importance of Participation
    - Sign-in Sheet + Name Tents
    - Encouragement of Use of Computers in Class (but....)
  - Discussion of the Course Description, Expectations, Grading System, etc.
  - **THE INTERNATIONAL QUIZ**—PPT by the Instructor
  - Discussion of Readings for Today and important documents for Class #2 and Class #3:
  - Readings for Class #1:
    - 1) The Washington Post: OUT OF CONTROL—How the world’s health organizations failed to stop the Ebola Disaster—October 4, 2014--Story by [Lena H. Sun](#), [Brady Dennis](#), [Lenny Bernstein](#), [Joel Achenbach](#)  
Photos by Michel du Cille  
<http://www.washingtonpost.com/sf/national/2014/10/04/how-ebola-sped-out-of-control/>

This is a very long article. It is comprehensive. There are many pictures and some videos incorporated into it. Some of the videos are on You Tube. They are easy to find. You will benefit greatly by spending some time reading/reviewing this one article.
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- For this course, please subscribe to the CDC MMWR (which is the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Review) which is available for free at: <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/mmwrsubscribe.html>
  - For this course, please subscribe to the CDC Public Health Law News and be prepared to discuss the contents of its latest transmission (it is posted monthly). The subscription is FREE: <http://www2a.cdc.gov/phlp/>

You may not be receiving any issues during the week that this course is in session, but you will find future issues interesting and informative. If you do not use them at that point, simply unsubscribe.

Other documents of great importance to this class are recommended to be downloaded onto your computer for easy access during this week:

#1—The International Health Regulations – IHR (2005) 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. – located on the World Health Organization’s website: < <http://www.who.int/ihr/9789241596664/en/>>. It is approximately 80 pps long.



- Introduction to the IHR (2005) ppt by the Instructor (including SARS backdrop as motivator for the revision of the IHR).

NOTE: Begin your perusal of the IHR (2005) by being familiar with the following material:

Annex 2; Articles 4, 11, 47, 48, and 49 (These are all important for this initial introduction to the IHRs and their importance to the Ebola epidemic.

- Introduction to the IHR (2005) ppt by the Instructor (including SARS backdrop as motivator for the revision of the IHR).
- The Swine Flu Pandemic (AH1N1) was the first pandemic to test the new IHRs. We must discern the best way to see how Sec Gen Margaret Chan did when faced with the developments that rolled out world-wide in 2009-2010.
- Here is the link to the Wikipedia Timeline for the Swine Flu pandemic:

- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2009\\_flu\\_pandemic\\_timeline](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2009_flu_pandemic_timeline)
- Please note: it is a very long article. **A CLUE for THIS CLASS:** Search for the WHO flag entries only, the first one appearing on April 24, 2009.
- **The Instructor AND each Team of Students should come to class with an article in a learned journal or Internet posting which addresses the IHR (2005) and their utility in the time of swine flu.**

**NOW, WE WILL ASSESS HOW TO BEST PROCEED WITH CLASS #2.**