The discipline "International Humanitarian Law" is a fundamental discipline that belongs to the cycle of professional training of applicants for the first degree of higher education "Bachelor" in the specialty 081 "Law". This discipline is devoted to the study of the system of norms of international law governing the conduct of armed conflicts, the status of legal participants in hostilities, the rights and responsibilities of neutral states. Particular attention is paid to the study of international legal protection of victims of war, civilian objects and cultural values in times of armed conflict and environmental protection. The limitations of the warriors in the choice of methods and means of conducting military operations are studied separately. The study of the discipline by the institute of international legal responsibility for violating the norms of international humanitarian law is coming to an end. After studying the discipline "International Humanitarian Law" the student will know: the main sources of regulation of armed conflict (Hague and Geneva Conventions), the historical stages of regulation of armed conflict; legal aspects of the status of participants in armed conflicts (combatants and noncombatants); rights and responsibilities of neutral and non-warring states during the war; Peculiarities of regulating the status of captivity and military occupation; concepts and types of legal responsibility in the field of international humanitarian law (crimes against peace and security of mankind, etc.). The purpose of teaching the discipline "International Humanitarian Law" is to obtain both thorough theoretical knowledge and the ability to solve complex practical problems related to the international regulation of armed conflict, responsibility for violations of international law in this area.

During the study of the discipline "International Humanitarian Law" applicants for higher education:

- Gain skills to solve complex specialized problems and practical problems in the field of professional legal activity or in the learning process, which involves the application of legal doctrines, principles and legal institutions and is characterized by complexity and uncertainty of conditions.

- Master the skills of exercising their rights and responsibilities as a member of society, realize the value of civil (free democratic) society and the need for its sustainable development, the rule of law, human and civil rights and freedoms in Ukraine.

- Acquire knowledge in the subject area and understanding of professional activity.

- Gain theoretical knowledge and skills in the application of the principles and doctrines of international humanitarian law, as well as the content of its legal institutions. Will be able to implement knowledge consisting in the peculiarities of the implementation and application of international public and humanitarian law.

- Will be able to analyze legal problems, form and substantiate legal positions. Will be able to critically and systematically analyze legal phenomena in the field of armed conflict and will be able to apply the acquired knowledge in professional activities.

- Master the skills to advise on legal issues, in particular, possible ways to protect the rights and interests of war victims, protect human rights, in accordance with the requirements of professional ethics, proper compliance with the rules on non-disclosure of personal data and confidential information.

- Will be able to independently analyze documents, understand their legal nature and significance.

- Gain skills to work in a team in resolving legal issues and difficult situations.

- Gain skills in finding, processing and analyzing legal information from various sources.

- Acquire skills in research and exploration, processing and analysis of information on the activities of the state apparatus, in particular during the martial law, the peculiarities of the legal system, to use the theoretical and methodological apparatus of law in the study of state and legal phenomena.

Interdisciplinary links: the discipline "International Humanitarian Law" is studied after studying the subjects "International Public Law", "Constitutional Law", "Constitutional Law of Foreign Countries", which is a necessary prerequisite for effective learning and mastering the material given the system and mutual connection of material supply with the specified academic disciplines.