**National Security Colleges**

**47th Class 2019-2020**

**Public Corruption Seminar in Israel**

**The Selection Season**

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Reception hours: Wednesdays with appointment

**General**

**Public corruption is an inappropriate use of public power to promote the private interests of the person with the power.** The purpose of the seminar is to explore the interfaces between politics, law and public ethics through exploring all aspects of public corruption and the struggle with it. As part of the course, we will discuss what public corruption is, what causes it, how to fight against public corruption, what are the politics of public corruption and what are the politics behind the fight against public corruption. Alongside this, we will address the question of what is public ethics and whether it is materially different from ethics in the private sphere.The course will include six meetings.

**1. Purpose**

1. Investigate what public corruption is.
2. To characterize public corruption in Israel and to investigate its development.
3. Critically examine a number of corruption incidents that have occurred in Israel in recent decades and their impact on society and politics.
4. Engage in issues of public ethics and to what extent the public can be served without "getting their hands dirty."

**2. Grade composition**

1. Attendance at classes (10%).
2. Active and engaged participation in group assignments (10%).

C. Writing assignments (80%).

**3. Course Plan**

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| Notes | Subject | Date | Hour |
| Dr. Doron Navot | Introduction and Basic Concepts | 26.2.20 | 1. |
| Dr. Doron Navot | Critical Approaches to Corruption and the Research and Public Engagement in Corruption | 4.3.20 | 2. |
| Dr. Doron Navot | Fighting corruption and criminal law: Conflicts of interest, breach of trust and bribery | 11.3.20 | 3. |
| * Investigative Press * Foreign parliamentary movements | Corruption in Israel: A historical, civil and media perspective | 18.3.20 | 4. |
| Brigadier General Eran Kamin  Adv. Dan Eldad | Investigation, escort and legal management of government corruption | 25.3.20 | 5. |
| * The defense * Summary and Discourse | Discourse and conclusion: The evolution of the fight against corruption in Israel | 1.4.20 | 6. |

**4. Reading Materials**

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| Recommended but not mandatory | Book/Article/Verdict: Required | Date | Hour |
| Navot Doron. 2008. Political Corruption The History of a Controversial Concept. Jerusalem; Israeli Democracy Institute. introduction. | Heywood, Paul M. 1997. "Political Corruption: Problems and Perspectives." *Political Studies* XLV: 417-435. | 26.2.20 | 1. |
|  | Shapiro Ron. 2002. "The White Collar - How Dirty Is It?", Academic College Yearbook, Vol. II, pp. 101-130. | 4.3.20 | 2. |
| Gore Lion, Miri. 2014. "Moral Panic and Government Corruption." Law and Business Administration: 447-467.  PA 10291/12 M. N. Cherney | Karmnitzer Mordechai and Liat Lebanon. "How far will the bribery offense expand?" Ali Trial A: 369-381.  DN 1397/03 State of Israel v. Shimon Sheves Ped Net (4), 385. | 11.3.20 | 3. |
| Navot, Doron. 2017. "Public Corruption and the Struggle against It." Studies in the Rise of Israel 11, pp. 58-77. | Barnea Nahum. 2007. "A miracle happened to him." The seventh eye.  Uzi Benziman. 2013. "To the Bulldog's Grip." The seventh eye. | 18.3.20 | 4. |
| Position paper of the Israeli Democracy Institute regarding the investigation of prime ministers | Criminal investigation and prosecution of a prime minister or president (during his term - a comparative review.) | 25.3.20 | 5. |
| Walzer Michael .1973. "Political Action: the Problem of Dirty Hands", *Philosophy and Public Affairs*, vol. 2(2), pp160-180. | Reporter of suspicion, subject to hearing against Benjamin Netanyahu | 1.4.20 | 6. |

**5. Writing Assignment:**

1. Each participant in the seminar will be required to write at least one case analysis handled by law enforcement officials and will discuss the extent to which the conduct at the center of the case is serious, to what extent corrupt and to what extent criminal. Another question to be discussed at the seminar is: What are the factors that acted to punish those involved in the case and what motivated them?
2. The assignment will be submitted through participant secretaries up to two weeks from the end of the seminar.
3. The assignment will be submitted in a 6,000-8000 word document in the font and style of David 14, a half line space. The scope may be exceeded in coordination with Dr. Navot or Brigadier General Kamin.