

# COURSE DETAIL

## INTERNATIONAL LAW AND MIGRATION

**Country**

France

**Host Institution**

University of Bordeaux

**Program(s)**

University of Bordeaux

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Political Science

**UCEAP Course Number**

116

**UCEAP Course Suffix**

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**UCEAP Official Title**

INTERNATIONAL LAW AND MIGRATION

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

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**UCEAP Quarter Units**

3.50

**UCEAP Semester Units**

2.30

### **Course Description**

This course introduces basic principles of international human rights law, international criminal law, and international refugee law through the study of the migration crisis in the Mediterranean. Approximately 258 million people, or roughly 3% of the world's population, live outside their country of origin or habitual residence – the highest number ever recorded. Of these, approximately 10%, or about 25 million people, have fled their country as refugees – the largest number since WWII. Millions of civilians have fled or are fleeing their homes, escaping from war and terror, hunger and persecutions, ecological disasters and poverty. The course critically presents the different positions on the matter by examining the situation from several international law perspectives and instruments: the laws of the sea, human rights law, and the legal institution of asylum. After the legal framework is established, the course further examines what legal venues are available to hold states, non-State actors, and individuals accountable for any human rights violations. Finally, the course explores cutting-edge legal questions, such as whether migration policies based on deterrence, arrival/departure prevention, and refoulement may bear international criminal liability.

### **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

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### **Host Institution Campus**

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### **Host Institution Faculty**

### **Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**

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**Course Last Reviewed**

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