COURSE DETAIL

INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS
Country Netherlands
Host Institution Utrecht University – University College Utrecht
Program(s) University College Utrecht
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Legal Studies International Studies
UCEAP Course Number 135
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS
UCEAP Transcript Title INTL HUMAN RIGHTS
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

This course offers a study of international human rights. The first part of the course focuses on the major features of international human rights law as part and parcel of general international law. Topics in the first part of the course include the philosophical and political bases for the international human rights movement; the ongoing debate over universality, culture, and human rights; relevant sources; different categories of rights; and the nature and scope of the application of rights. The second part of the course explores the content of various substantive human rights, such as civil, political, economic, social, and cultural rights. The third part of the course considers judicial, quasi-judicial, and non-judicial mechanisms for the promotion and protection of human rights at the international and regional levels. In this part of the course, students discuss the United Nations system, and the regional human rights systems of Europe, Africa, and the Americas. The final part of the course examines several relevant developments and challenges regarding international human rights law, such as terrorism and counterterrorism, poverty, and environmental degradation. Students read weekly readings, participate in class discussions, complete a paper and an exam, and participate in a mock court. The course requires that students have completed the UCU course on International Law or an equivalent as a prerequisite.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
UCSSCLAW31

Host Institution Course Title
INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS

Host Institution Course Details
https://cursusplanner.uu.nl/Curriculum

Host Institution Campus
University College Utrecht

Host Institution Faculty
Social Science

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Law

Course Last Reviewed
2024-2025

Print