

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

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Host Institution Campus

University College Utrecht

Host Institution Faculty

Social Science

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Law

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