International Human Rights Law

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Type of Course: Elective
Academic Year: 2019-2020 Semester: Fall Credit Hours: 3

Lecturer Details:

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Course Objectives:

One of the primary objectives of this course is demonstrating the legal evolution of human rights. In this respect, the course focuses on key developments in the history of Human Rights Law. In order to enable the students to understand the concepts, institutions and several debates in the field of human rights, the course also touches upon different disciplines such as law, philosophy, international relations, and political science. Global and regional systems relating to the protection and promotion of human rights are analysed in the course. The framework of the United Nations, European Court of Human Rights and the role of these systems in preventing human rights violations over time are the subjects that this course investigates. Upon successfully completing the course, students will be familiar with the major issues in the implementation and enforcement of human rights law.

Course Requirements:

Attendance & Active Participation. Required Reading: See list below. Midterm and Final Examinations.

Final Grade Apportionment:

Midterm examination: 40% Final examination: 60%.

Textbooks:

- Rhona, K. M. S. (2017). International Human Rights Law. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Nowak, M., Klok, J., Schwarz, I., Arbour, L., & Johnsson, A. B. (2005). *Human rights: handbook for parliamentarians* (Vol. 8). Inter-Parliamentary Union.
- Greer, S. (2006). *The European Convention on Human Rights: achievements, problems and prospects*. Cambridge University Press.
- Clapham, A. (2015). *Human rights: a very short introduction*. OUP Oxford.