

Human Rights

Major in Human Rights

Students must complete 30 credits in the major, including the required core courses and a capstone course. A minimum grade of C- is required for all courses in the major.

- 1003 Introduction to Human Rights
- 2013 Human Rights in the United States
- 3033 Human Rights in the World
- 30 3 Human Rights and the Law
- 3113 Human Rights and the Media
- 3013 Human Rights and the Environment
- 3123 Human Rights and the Internet
- 30 3 Human Rights and the Future

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HMRT-1003. Introduction to Human Rights

This course provides a comprehensive overview of human rights, including their historical development, legal foundations, and contemporary challenges. Students will explore the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Human Rights Law system, as well as the role of national governments and international organizations in promoting and protecting human rights.

HMRT-1203. Global Politics (POLS 1603)

This course examines the global political system, focusing on the interactions between states, international organizations, and non-state actors. Key topics include the structure of the international system, the role of the United Nations, and the impact of globalization on international relations. Students will also explore the concept of global governance and the challenges of addressing transnational issues.

HMRT-2013. Research Methods

This course introduces students to the various research methods used in the study of human rights. It covers both qualitative and quantitative approaches, including interviews, focus groups, surveys, and content analysis. Students will learn how to design research projects, collect and analyze data, and write research reports. The course also emphasizes the importance of ethical considerations in human rights research.

HMRT-2023. Human Rights and Literature

This course explores the intersection of human rights and literature. It examines how literary works can illuminate human rights issues, provide a platform for marginalized voices, and challenge dominant narratives. Students will analyze a variety of texts, including novels, short stories, and plays, and discuss their political and social implications. The course also encourages students to engage with contemporary human rights discourse through literary criticism.

HMRT-2033. Human Rights in Theory and Practice

This course bridges the gap between human rights theory and practice. It examines the challenges of implementing human rights norms in the real world, including the role of civil society, the media, and the judiciary. Students will explore case studies of human rights violations and the mechanisms for accountability. The course also discusses the importance of human rights education and the role of individuals in promoting human rights.

HMRT-2043. Non-Western Perspectives on Human Rights

This course offers a critical perspective on human rights by examining non-Western theories and practices. It explores how different cultural and political contexts shape the understanding of human rights and the role of the state. Students will analyze the work of scholars from Asia, Africa, and Latin America, and discuss the implications for the development of a more inclusive and pluralistic human rights framework. The course also examines the role of indigenous peoples and traditional justice systems in human rights.

HMRT-2203. Community Economic Development (ECON)

This course focuses on the role of economic development in promoting human rights and social justice. It examines the challenges of poverty, unemployment, and inequality, and explores strategies for community economic development. Students will learn about the importance of local businesses, cooperatives, and social enterprises in creating jobs and improving living standards. The course also discusses the role of government and non-profit organizations in supporting community economic development.

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HMRT-3263. Sex, Science & Gender (STS 3303)

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HMRT-3273. Feminism and Techno-Science (STS 3503)

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HMRT-3283. Science, Religion, and Galileo's Trial (STS 3063)

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HMRT-3433. World Literature in English: West Indies and Africa (ENGL)

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HMRT-3503. Moot Court (POLS 3403)

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Students will learn to identify the components of a human rights issue, including the rights holder, the duty bearer, and the nature of the right. They will also learn to identify the various actors involved in the human rights process, including states, non-state actors, and international organizations. Students will also learn to identify the various legal instruments that protect human rights, including international treaties, regional treaties, and national laws. Students will also learn to identify the various mechanisms for human rights protection, including national human rights institutions, regional human rights courts, and the United Nations Human Rights Council.

HMRT-3543. Human Rights and Foreign Policy

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HMRT-3633. Gender Expression, Sexual Orientation, and Human Rights (GEND)

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HMRT-3803. Human Rights of the Child

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HMRT-3903. Corporate Social Responsibility

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HMRT-4013. Capstone Seminar

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HMRT-4023. Independent Study

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HMRT-4043. Special Topics in Human Rights

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HMRT-4923. Collective Memory, Culture and Texts in Argentina (SPAN)

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