

ORIGINAL COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE:

REVISED COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE:

September 1992 September 2018

COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: (six years after UEC approval)

February 2024

Course outline form version: 09/15/14

# OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE FORM

Note: The University reserves the right to amend course outlines as needed without notice.

Course Code and Number: CRIM 335			Number of Credits: 3 Course credit policy (105)				
Course Full Title: Human Rights and Civil Liberties							
Course Short Title (if title exceeds 30 characters):							
Faculty: Faculty of Social Sciences			Department (or program if no department): CRIM				
Calendar Description:							
Provides an inquiry into the historical, legal, and political nature of human rights and civil liberties. Topics may include armed conflicts; doctrines promoting human rights and individual liberties; slavery and human trafficking; terrorism; international crimes; and political, social, economic, and gender rights.							
Prerequisites (or NONE):  45 university-level credits in CRIM. POSC 110 is strong				including CRIM 100 and 6 additional credits of 100- or 200-level gly recommended.			
Corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):	NONE						
Pre/corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):	Pre/corequisites (if applicable, or NONE): NONE						
Equivalent Courses (cannot be taken for add	ditional cred	it)		Transfer Credit			
Former course code/number: NONE				Transfer credit already exists: ⊠ Yes □ No			
Cross-listed with: NONE				Transfer credit requested (OReg to submit to BCCAT):  ☐ Yes ☐ No (if yes, fill in transfer credit form)			
Equivalent course(s): POSC 335							
Note: Equivalent course(s) should be included in the calendar description by way of a note that students with credit for the equivalent course(s) cannot take this course for further credit.				Resubmit revised outline for articulation:  Yes  No To find out how this course transfers, see			

### **Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Describe the history, concept, and content of human rights and human rights violations at domestic and international levels;
- Discuss the Canadian contribution to human rights development;
- Articulate the effect of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms with respect to the enhancement of human rights;
- Analyze the role of International Courts (including International ad hoc Criminal Tribunals) in relation to human rights;
- Interpret the rationale of pre- and post-Charter decisions by the Supreme Court;
- Analyze critically the concept of state sovereignty and its influence on human rights (protection and violation of human rights issues);
- Design suggestions to promote and enhance human rights.

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)							
Typical Instructional Methods (guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field trips, etc.; may vary at department's discretion)							
Lectures and guest lecturers							
Grading system: Letter Grades: ⊠ Credit/No Credit: □ Labs to be scheduled independent of lecture hours: Yes □ No x							

#### NOTE: The following sections may vary by instructor. Please see course syllabus available from the instructor.

	Typical Text(s) and Resource Materials (if more space is required, download Supplemental Texts and Resource Materials form)							
		Author (surname, initials)	Title (article, book, journal, etc.)	Current ed.	Publisher	Year		
	1.	Tremblay, Kelly, Lipson, Mayer.	Understanding Human Rights: Origins, Currents, and Critiques	<b>V</b>	Thompson Nelson	2008		
	2.	Smith, R.K.M.	International Human Rights Law		Oxford University Press	2017		
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## Required Additional Supplies and Materials (software, hardware, tools, specialized clothing, etc.)

## **Typical Evaluation Methods and Weighting**

Final exam:	30%	Assignments:	%	Midterm exam:	30%	Practicum:	%
Quizzes/tests:	%	Lab work:	%	Field experience:	%	Shop work:	%
Participation:	10%	Term Paper:	30%	Other:	%	Total:	100%

## Details (if necessary):

### **Typical Course Content and Topics**

- Week 1: Introduction to the course and the concept of human rights
- Week 2: Foundations of human rights and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms
- Week 3: Human rights in world politics
- Week 4: Promoting human rights: Individuals and organizations and the origins and critiques of universalist theories of human rights
- Week 5: Finding a balance: Reconciling universalist and cultural positivist views on human rights
- Week 6: Midterm exam
- Week 7: Human rights in practice
- Week 8: Gender and human rights
- Week 9: Canada and human rights
- Week 10: Canada, the rights revolution, and international human rights issues, part I
- Week 11: Canada, the rights revolution, and international human rights issues, part II
- Week 12: Looking to the future
- Week 13: Summary, recapitulation, and preparation for final exam