

United Nations Human Rights Practicum: Application

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This course will give students the opportunity to work in support of the mandate of the United Nations Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights. Students will engage in intensive research and writing in the field of cultural rights. They will learn the workings of the United Nations human rights system, and gain experience working with UN documents, with individual cases in the field and with thematic reports. They will gain expertise in the field of cultural rights, including artistic and scientific freedom, and the right to education. They will draft numerous memoranda related to these issues and mechanisms. Basically, they will have the opportunity to work as junior human rights lawyers under the close supervision of a UN human rights expert. The work for the course will be comprised of ongoing research and writing and there will be no exam. The hours will be determined by professor and students based on the needs of the UN mandate. The workload will be significant and participation in the course requires working to the highest standard and serious commitment to human rights work.

Enrollment will be with the specific permission of the instructor only and requires a background amounting to a minimum of two courses in international law or human rights, taken prior to or concurrently with the Practicum, or other equivalent experience. If you wish to be considered for admission to this course, please complete the form below. Thank you for your interest.

Name:

Please indicate what International Law or Human Rights courses you have taken here or at another institution, indicating where and when you have taken the class and what grade you received. Please indicate what International Law or Human Rights courses you plan to take concurrently with the practicum.



What other relevant international law or human rights background do you have?:

What foreign language skills do you have? Please indicate which languages and at which level you can read, write and speak them (basic, proficient, fluent). Can you work in these languages?

Please briefly state (in 1-3 sentences) why you would like to take this class.