

Module Catalogue

"Master of International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law"

Name of the module	Introduction to international human rights and humanitarian law
Code	IHL010
Educational aims	Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge about the historical development and about contents of international human rights protection and humanitarian international law as well as their interdependence and distinction
Course content	<p>Course IHL010A International Human Rights Law International human rights law:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • philosophic-historical foundations; interdisciplinary approaches: political-sociological-cultural implications; universal and regional systems of human rights protection – protagonists; national validity and applicability <p>Course IHL010B International humanitarian Law International humanitarian law:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Definition, development and legal bases of international humanitarian law, tension between operational-military and humanitarian considerations; legal development and weapons technology – political and economic implications • Relationship between international human rights protection and international humanitarian law: Simultaneous applicability and mutual assimilation; Military occupation and other forms of exercising sovereign power
Methods of teaching and learning	Distance learning, lecture, colloquium, seminar, case studies
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload	240
Presence	45
Self-study	195
Requirements for the award of credit points	exam
Form of examination	Written form
Credit points	8
Module status	compulsory foundation module
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Winter semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Ability to grasp complex interdisciplinary social processes related to human rights protection in peace time and times of armed conflict
Aspects for key qualifications	Perfection of goal-oriented self-study, improvement of the ability to communicate self-developed knowledge, improvement of presentation skills

Name of the module	Civil and Political Rights
Code	IHL020
Educational aims	Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge about substantive civil and political rights, methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques in the examination of a violation of civil and political rights as well as the application of an appropriate legal protection mechanism; social-communicative learning of communication and cooperation in group work
Course content	<p>Course IHL020A Substantive Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protection of substantive civil and political rights in international legal documents and treaties: Introduction, classification. Structure of the examination of a human rights violation; Civil liberty rights, active civil rights, judicial rights, rights in times of peace (emergency-proof rights and rights with emergency-clauses) and in times of armed conflicts (internal and international) <p>Course IHL020B Institutions and enforcement mechanisms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protection of civil and political rights in different systems: At universal level: UN (ICCPR); at European level: Council of Europe (ECHR), EU, OSCE; at regional non-European level: OAS, AU, Arab League; NGOs • Institutions for monitoring civil and political rights: judicial bodies in the various systems: ECtHR, ECJ, IntACHR; convention bodies at universal level: CCPR, CERD, CAT, CEDAW, CRC; at European level: CPT; extra-judicial bodies in the various systems: HRC, ECRI, EUMC, HCNM, ODIHR, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media • Monitoring mechanisms (procedures): individual complaints, state complaints, state reports, visiting system, missions
Methods of teaching and learning	Distance learning, lecture, colloquium, seminar, case studies, Moot Court
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload	240
Presence	30
Self-study	210
Requirements for the award of credit points	Essay
Form of examination	Written form
Credit points	8
Module status	compulsory foundation module
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Winter semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Ability to write a structured examination of a human rights violations and apply existing monitoring mechanisms (especially individual complaint procedures), practice of legal working methods, improvement of legal argumentation, ability to deal successfully with complex problems in a team

Aspects for key qualifications	Goal oriented self-study, analysis of tasks, improvement of the ability to make practical use of self-developed knowledge, improvement of teamwork skills, improvement of presentation skills
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Name of the module	Social Rights and Prohibition of Discrimination
Code	IHL030
Educational aims	<p>Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge about economic, social and cultural rights, methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques in the examination of a violation of economic, social and cultural rights as well as the application of an appropriate legal protection mechanism; social-communicative learning of communication and cooperation in group work</p> <p>Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge about prohibition of discrimination, methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques in the examination of a violation of the prohibition of discrimination as well as the application of an appropriate legal protection mechanism;</p>
Course content	<p>Course IHL030A economic, social and cultural rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protection of substantive economic, social, and cultural rights in international legal documents and contracts: Introduction, classification. Structure of the examination of a human rights violation; Right to work and adequate compensation, right to fair working conditions; right to form trade unions; right to social security, right to an adequate standard of living, right to health; right to education, right to participate in cultural life; duty to respect, duty to protect, warranty obligation of the states; Economic, social and cultural rights in armed conflicts (internal and international) • Protection of economic, social and cultural rights in different systems: At universal levels: UN (ICESCR) at European level: Council of Europe (ECHR), EU, OSCE; at regional non-European level: OAS, AU, Arab League; NGOs • Institutions for monitoring economic, social and cultural rights: judicial bodies in the various systems: ECtHR, ECJ, IntACHR; convention bodies: CESCR, ESC; extra-judicial bodies: HRC • Monitoring mechanisms (procedures): State reports, collective complaints <p>Course IHL030B Prohibition of discrimination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prohibition of discrimination and general principle of equality: (accessory) Prohibition of discrimination and (non-accessory) equality rights; Discrimination versus permissible distinction; (Prohibited) criteria of discrimination; Prohibition of discrimination in various human rights systems (provisions in international legal documents and treaties as well as case law); Prohibition of

	<p>discrimination based on gender; prohibition of racial discrimination; prohibition of discrimination based on political or other opinion; prohibition of discrimination based on nationality; anti-discrimination legislation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive discrimination and inclusion: selected groups of people: women, ethnic groups, disabled people; measures: legislative and other
Methods of teaching and learning	Distance learning, lecture, colloquium, seminar, case studies
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload	240
Presence	30
Self-study	210
Requirements for the award of credit points	Exam
Form of examination	In written form
Credit points	8
Module status	Compulsory foundation module
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Winter semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Ability to write a structured examination of a human rights violations and apply existing monitoring mechanisms; practice of legal working methods, improvement of legal argumentation, ability to deal successfully with complex problems in a team; ability to recognize and legally assess discrimination in various areas of society
Aspects for key qualifications	Goal oriented self-study, analysis of tasks, improvement of the ability to make practical use of self-developed knowledge, improvement of teamwork skills, improvement of presentation skills; ability to work independently and with a systematic approach

Name of the module	Rights of disadvantaged groups
Code	IHL040
Educational aims	Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge about the prohibition of discrimination based on gender, methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques in the examination of a violation of women's and children's rights as well as the application of an appropriate legal protection mechanism; Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge about the rights of minorities and indigenous peoples; methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques in the examination of the violation of rights, social-communicative learning of communication and cooperation in group work
Course content	<p>Course IHL040A Women's and children's rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women's rights: Gender-specific human rights violations in times of peace and armed conflict; principle of non-discrimination on the basis of gender; equality between women and men in the various human rights

	<p>protection systems (international legal documents and treaties as well as case law); forced prostitution, slavery, domestic violence, rape; human rights violations against women in the name of cultural difference: Forced marriage, female genital mutilation, denial of girls' right to education; sexual assaults in armed conflicts, crimes against humanity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children's rights: Violations of children's rights in peacetime and in armed conflicts; children's rights in the various human rights protection systems (international legal documents and treaties as well as case law); child poverty, child labor, child prostitution and pornography, child abuse, children as refugees, child soldiers <p>Course IHL040B Rights of minorities and indigenous peoples</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minority rights: Definition and distinction: Minorities and peoples as well as the rights of minorities and the rights of peoples. Similarities and differences, minority rights as individual rights: bearers and content, monitoring mechanisms; minority rights in the various human rights protection systems (international legal documents and treaties as well as case law). Protection against discrimination as a preliminary stage to minority protection; special minority rights (right to language in various areas, religion, political participation); granting of minority rights to prevent ethnic armed conflicts (internal). • Peoples rights: Peoples rights as collective rights: bearers and content, monitoring mechanisms; Right of self-determination of peoples in international legal documents and treaties; denial of the right of self-determination of peoples as a threat to armed conflicts (internal)
Methods of teaching and learning	distance learning, lecture, colloquium, seminar
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload	240
Presence	30
Self-study	210
Requirements for the award of credit points	essay
Form of examination	In written form
Credit points	8
Module status	Compulsory foundation module
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Summer semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Ability to recognize and legally assess gender-specific discrimination and violations of children's rights and their implications in society; ability to recognize that the granting of basic rights to minorities and peoples is a prerequisite for peaceful coexistence in a heterogeneous society in times of globalization, ability to deal successfully with complex problems in a team

Aspects for key qualifications	Goal-oriented self-study, independent development of problem solutions, improvement of presentation skills, analysis of tasks, improvement of the ability to practically use self-developed material, improvement of teamwork, improvement of presentation skills
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Name of the module	Law of Refugees and Migration
Code	IHL050
Educational aims	Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge about refugee law and migration. Methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques for the examination of legal claims and the application of appropriate legal protection mechanisms
Course content	<p>Course IHL050A Migration Law</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview Migration and Globalization • Legal problems • Human trafficking and human smuggling (definition, elements, distinctions) <p>Course IHL050B Refugees, internally displaced persons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Definition, status, distinction in times of peace and armed conflict; Definition, status, demarcations in times of peace and armed conflict; protection by UNHCR, ICRC / rights of the refugee; dilemma of refugee protection: migration control and right of asylum / mass flight due to armed conflict; right to apply for asylum, right to grant asylum, non-refoulement; rescue at sea; approaches to protection by IOs, NGOs and states; "refugee" problem in special situations such as armed conflicts, natural disasters • Status of persons and applicable law (international humanitarian law, human rights, refugee law); rights of IDP
Methods of teaching and learning	distance learning, lecture, colloquium, case studies
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload	240
Presence	30
Self-study	210
Requirements for the award of credit points	Exam
Form of examination	In written form
Credit points	8
Module status	Compulsory foundation module
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Summer semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Ability to recognize and legally evaluate complex social processes in the areas of refugee law and migration and their implications in times of globalization
Aspects for key qualifications	Goal-oriented self-study, independent development of problem solutions

Name of the module	Individual (criminal) responsibility and state responsibility
Code	IHL060
Educational aims	Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge about individual and state responsibility, Methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques for the examination of responsibility. Social-communicative learning of communication and cooperation in group work
Course content	<p>Course IHL060A Individual (criminal) responsibility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International criminal law, substantive: Development and definition of international criminal law; genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity (including elements of crime); national implementation • International criminal law, procedural law Nuremberg, Tokyo, UN ad hoc Tribunals for Yugoslavia and Rwanda; ICC Statute • proceedings before international criminal courts: Jurisdiction, prosecution and defense <p>Course IHL060B State Responsibility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsibility under international law: Fundamentals of responsibility under international law; international practice and jurisprudence with special regard to the protection of individuals under international law
Methods of teaching and learning	Distance learning, lectures, colloquium, case studies
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload	240
Presence	30
Self-study	210
Requirements for the award of credit points	Exam
Form of examination	In written form
Credit points	8
Module status	Compulsory foundation module
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Summer semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Ability to apply international procedures regarding responsibility, application of legal working methods, improvement of legal argumentation, ability to successfully work on complex problems in a team
Aspects for key qualifications	Goal-oriented self-study, analysis of tasks, improvement of the ability to practically use self-developed material, improvement of presentation skills, improvement of teamwork skills

Name of the module	Conflict management and current issues in international humanitarian law
Code	IHL110
Educational aims	Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge as well as skills related to conflict prevention, Methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques related to conflict prevention as well as Teaching and Research, Social-communicative learning of communication and cooperation in group work
Course content	<p>Course IHL110A Conflict prevention and management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fundamentals of conflict research: Conflicts, scenarios, causes, participants in the special context of international human rights protection as well as humanitarian law. • Methods of conflict prevention: Scenarios, methods, means and participants • Methods of dispute settlement outside the contractual procedures: scenarios, methods, means and parties involved <p>Course IHL110B Current issues in international humanitarian law</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current conflict studies • Methods of the structured examination of a case • Particularities of the armed conflict
Methods of teaching and learning	Distance learning, case studies, role plays
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload	180
Presence	30
Self-study	150
Requirements for the award of credit points	Essay
Form of examination	In written form
Credit points	6
Module status	Elective module (category I)
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Winter semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Ability to recognize the importance of conflict prevention for peace and security, application of conflict management in crisis situations; ability to work scientifically in research and teaching.
Aspects for key qualifications	Goal-oriented self-study, independent development of problem solutions, analysis of tasks, improvement of the ability to apply theoretical knowledge in practice, improvement of presentation skills, improvement of teamwork

Name of the module	Mass violence and legal responses
Code	IHL120
Educational aims	Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge about fundamental values, Methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques, Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge, Methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques considering different interests, Social-communicative learning of communication and cooperation in group work
Course content	<p>Course IHL120A Mass Violence and Genocide</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UN Convention on the prevention and punishment of the crime of genocide • Definition and Fundamentals • Crimes and persecution • Current case law <p>Course IHL120B Responsibility to protect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Definition and fundamentals of international law • Subject and application and criteria according to ICISS
Methods of teaching and learning	Distance learning, lecture, colloquium, case studies
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload	180
Presence	30
Self-study	150
Requirements for the award of credit points	Essay
Form of examination	In written form
Credit points	6
Module status	Elective module (category I)
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Summer semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Ability to recognize the interdependence of democracy, the rule of law and the protection of human rights; application of legal working methods, improvement of legal argumentation, ability to successfully deal with complex problems in a team
Aspects for key qualifications	Goal-oriented self-study, independent development of problem solutions, analysis of tasks, improvement of the ability to use self-developed practical knowledge, improvement of presentation skills, improvement of teamwork skills

Name of the module	Implementation and representation of interests
Code	IHL210
Educational aims	Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge and skills for the fulfillment and enforcement of international legal norms for individual protection, as well as skills for the representation of interests. Methodical-problem-solving learning of studying and working techniques for the structured examination of the enforcement Social-communicative learning of communication and cooperation in group work
Course content	<p>Course IHL210A Performance and implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working in NGOs: Continuous monitoring, educational work, cooperation with authorities and other governmental institutions • Transformation: direct applicability of international rights and obligations in the national context, especially before national courts • Enforcement: coercive measures to enforce the law: effect of economic sanctions, law on humanitarian intervention; humanitarian aid <p>Course IHL210B Representation of interests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basics of the representation of interests: Conduct of court proceedings and the organization – procedural law; investigation methods and gathering of evidence • Proceedings before international institutions: starting from the determination of facts to the initiation of proceedings and the enforcement of the international decision before national authorities (methods, procedure, organization)
Methods of teaching and learning	Lecture, colloquium, case studies, role plays
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload	180
Presence	30
Self-study	150
Requirements for the award of credit points	Essay
Form of examination	In written form
Credit points	6
Module status	Elective module (category II)
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Winter semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Ability to monitor, use of coercive measures to enforce human rights, use legal working methods, improve legal argumentation, ability to successfully deal with complex problems in a team, ability to represent interests before national and international institutions
Aspects for key qualifications	Goal-oriented self-study, analysis of tasks, improvement of the ability to use self-developed material practically, improvement of representation skills, improvement of teamwork, problem-oriented group work
Name of the module	Constitutional principles

Code	IHL220
Educational aims	<p>Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge about the justice and penal system as well as fundamental values.</p> <p>Methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques for the structured examination of constitutional reality.</p> <p>Methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques in court proceedings.</p> <p>Cognitive learning of content-related and technical knowledge about the role of media and science in the field of individual protection under international law.</p> <p>Methodical and problem-solving oriented learning of studying and working techniques in weighing up rights and interests</p>
Course content	<p>Course IHL220A Democracy, the rule of law, and administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historical foundation of ideas: “Eurocentrism”?; Development and universal validity of democracy and the rule of law • Characteristics of democratic and constitutional societies: Democracy and the rule of law from a comparative law perspective; safeguarding through procedures • Administration: Function and limits in a democratic constitutional state, "good governance" • Position of the armed forces in a democratic constitutional state: responsibilities, separation of powers, control <p>Course IHL220B Justice and (criminal) enforcement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fundamentals of a judiciary based on the rule of law: Organization of the judiciary; basic judicial rights; legal protection through proceedings (including preliminary proceedings) • (Criminal) Execution: the purpose of punishment and other enforcement measures, with particular reference to criminological findings; substantive barriers to enforcement measures; psychological and physical consequences of enforcement measures
Methods of teaching and learning	Distance learning, lecture, colloquium, case studies
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload	180
Presence	30
Self-study	150
Requirements for the award of credit points	Essay
Form of examination	In written form
Credit points	6
Module status	Elective module (category II)
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Summer semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Ability to recognize and legally evaluate a judiciary based on the rule of law; ability to recognize the role of the media and science in society and to use them in the interest of human rights protection

Aspects for key qualifications	Goal-oriented self-study, ability to work independently, independent development of problem solutions
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Name of the module	Internship
Code	IHL310
Educational aims	Recognition of legal, political and economic (social) connections of the occupational field, implementation of acquired knowledge and skills in professional practice, promotion of professional development
Course content	Internship: working on a specialized project under qualified guidance Report: presentation of the results in the form of an internship report (reflection)
Methods of teaching and learning	Internship
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload Presence Self-study	450
Requirements for the award of credit points	Evaluation by internship office, internship report
Credit points	15
Module status	Practical work experience
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Winter semester and summer semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Ability to plan and carry out projects in practice, competence to analyze concrete situations and solve problems
Aspects for key qualifications	Working in a team

Name of the module	Research (optional)
Code	IHL320
Educational aims	Independent work on a scientific topic using relevant scientific methods
Course content	Research project: Working on a research topic Research report: Presentation of the research results
Methods of teaching and learning	Colloquium
Applicability of the module	Profound knowledge of international law
Total workload Presence Self-study	450
Requirements for the award of credit points	Research report
Credit points	15
Module status	Optional Module
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Winter semester or summer semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Qualification for scientific work

Aspects for key qualifications	Dealing with a scientific topic, independent acquisition of knowledge using existing information sources
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Name of the module	Master's Thesis
Code	IHL410
Educational aims	Independent processing of a specialized topic on a scientific basis using scientific methods
Course content	Masters's Thesis: Writing of a master's thesis
Methods of teaching and learning	colloquium
Applicability of the module	For social science degree programs
Total workload Presence Self-study	450
Requirements for the award of credit points	Master's thesis
Form of examination	In written form
Credit points	15
Module status	Mandatory module
Duration of the module	1 semester
Frequency of the module	Summer semester and winter semester
Aspects for professional qualification	Qualification for scientific work
Aspects for key qualifications	Process a scientific topic, acquire knowledge independently using existing information sources