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SIM Summer School 2023
International Human Rights Law: An Introduction
8-12 July 2024

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Programme

Monday 8 July 2024 (The course will take place in Room 019, ground floor of 2-3 Janskerkhof)		
Time	Activity	Description
9.00-9.30am	Registration	Tea and coffee
9.30am-9:40	Welcome	Prof. Antoine Buyse and Róisín Burke
9.40am-12.30pm	Lecture with Discussion	The Human Rights Idea: Foundations and Historical Overview by Dr Brianne McGonigle Leyh
12.30-1.30pm	Lunch	Provided by the SIM Summer School
1.30-3.00pm	Lecture and Activity	The Work of the UN Treaty Body System of Human Rights Protection Workshop on engaging with the UN Treaty Body System of Human Rights Protection by Dr Cees Flinterman
3.15-4.30pm	Lecture and Activity	Human rights topic 'prohibition of torture, with a gender lens' with discussion of the summer school assignment by Dr. Marjolein van den Brink and Dr. Katharine Fortin

Tuesday 9th July 2024		
Time	Activity	Description
9.30 – 11.00am	Lecture and Activity	UN Charter-Based System of Human Rights Protection by Dr. Machiko Kanetake
11.15am-12.30pm	Lecture and Activity	Workshop on Regional Human Rights Systems: Africa and Americas by Prof. Javier Couso Salas
12.30-1.30pm	Lunch	Provided by the SIM Summer School

1.30-3.00pm	Lecture and Activity	ECHR and EU system of fundamental rights protection by Dr. Anneloes Kuiper
3:15-4:30pm	Lecture and Activity	Workshop on Equality and Discrimination in Human Rights Law by Dr. Birte Böök

Wednesday 10th July 2024		
Time	Activity	Description
9.30-11.00am	Lecture and Activity	Civil and Political Rights, with the Right to Protest as a Case Study by Prof Antoine Buyse
11.15am – 12.30pm	Lecture	Workshop on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights by Dr Lorena Sosa
12.30-1.30pm	Lunch	Provided by the SIM Summer School.
1.30-3.00pm	Lecture and Activity	Business and Human Rights by Dr. Lucas Roorda
3:15-4:30pm	Lecture and Activity	Right to Development by Dr Roman Teshome
5:00-6:30pm	Welcome reception	USS Opening Ceremony, organized by Utrecht Summer School Register here

Thursday 11 July 2024		
Time	Activity	Description
9.30am – 11:00pm	Lecture and Workshop	Migration and Human Rights by Dr Hana van Ooijen
11:15-12:30	Lecture and Discussion	Right to Life by Dr. Kushtrim Istrefi
12.30-1.30pm	Lunch	Provided by the SIM Summer School
1.30-3.00pm	Lecture and Activity	AI and Human Rights by Dr Halefom Abraha
3.15-4.30pm	Final Assignment Preparation	Students prepare for moot court

Friday 12 July 2024		
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9:30 am	Check out of accommodation	
10.00am-12.00pm	Final Assignment – Moot Court Activity	Group presentations of assignment with Dr Marjolein van den Brink and Dr Katharine Fortin
12.30-13.30pm	Lunch	Provided by the SIM Summer School
13.30-14.00pm	Awarding of Certificates	
2.30-4.00pm	Panel – Human Rights in Practice	Representatives from Tony’s Chocolonely (Dr Julie McBride); Cities of Refuge Project, Utrecht Human Rights City (Sara Miellet); and investigative journalist (María Luz Nóchez)