



GLOBAL COLLEGE

HUMAN RIGHTS

Human Rights is an inter-disciplinary program which examines human rights in both local and global contexts as mechanisms to address issues of human dignity, social justice, and global citizenship.

The Human Rights program - offered through the Global College - provides students with the opportunity to structure their education around historical and contemporary human rights issues. The program explores the origins and rise of human rights concepts, and the continuing evolution of human rights definitions and debates. Through theory and practice, students acquire knowledge, tools, and strategies for education and advocacy in human rights, and an understanding of the ways to respond to human rights violations. A major in Human Rights will expose students to human rights issues from diverse disciplinary perspectives including history, geography, philosophy, law, anthropology, and conflict resolution. Students have the option to pursue a local or international practicum placement for academic credit towards their degree.

This program leads to a **Bachelor of Arts degree (3-year or 4-year)** with a Major in Human Rights. Students taking an undergraduate degree in another Major may choose to add a Minor in Human Rights as a secondary area of interest.

SAMPLE CAREERS

Students will develop knowledge and skills relevant to a wide range of opportunities in the public and private sector both locally and internationally. Graduates of the program have gone on to find work in government, advocacy, non-governmental organizations, and international organizations such as the United Nations. A Major in Human Rights is an excellent background for law school or graduate school. A Minor in Human Rights is a strong and relevant supplement for students pursuing various careers such as those in business, human resources, criminal justice, or health sciences.

SAMPLE COURSES

Introduction to Global Citizenship traces the historical development of the idea of "global citizenship," interrogating the meanings, contradictions and contentions associated with this term. Through guest speakers and student research on specific issues and injustices that are present in Manitoba communities, and which also have global connections or manifestations, students examine current practices aimed at fostering global citizenship.

History of Human Rights in Canada examines the history of human rights within the Canadian context including key federal, provincial and municipal legislation as well as critical human rights institutions. This course explores the evolution of human rights in Canada in relation to their international counterparts, and

historical discrimination in Canada in areas such as immigration, employment and housing, internment of minority populations, gender, sexuality, antisemitism, and treatment of Indigenous peoples.

Concepts and Conventions in Human Rights explores the historical development of human rights, concepts and the major international human rights conventions and instruments. Students become familiar with the breadth of the landscape of human rights including political, civil, social, economic, and cultural rights.

MORE SAMPLE COURSES

- Human Rights Institutions
- Models of Transitional Justice
- Refugees, Resettlement and Resilience
- Emerging Issues in Human Rights
- Global Human Rights Advocacy
- Human Rights Approaches to Health

SAMPLE FIRST YEAR

HR-1200 (3) Introduction to Global Citizenship

WGS-1232 (6) Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies

RHET-1102(3) Academic Writing: Social Sciences, RHET-1101(3) Academic Writing: Humanities, or any other section of Academic Writing (if required)

6 credit hours Humanities

12-15 credit hours Electives

NOTE: This sample first year is representative of the courses you may take. For many of our programs, you may choose another set of courses and still be well on your way to a degree. Also, for most programs you do not have to take 30 credit hours (five full courses) in your first year.

"The opportunities afforded to me through UWinnipeg's Global College Human Rights program were unparalleled. From intellectually engaging courses and experiential learning, to inspiring faculty, staff and students, I was able to foster my passion for human rights and gain important skills that I use in my work every day."

- Kelby Loepky, Lawyer and former Investigator, Manitoba Human Rights Commission

REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES

You must meet The University of Winnipeg's general admission requirements.

No specific courses are required.

HOW TO APPLY

For details on application requirements and deadlines, and to apply online, please visit:
uwinnipeg.ca/apply

For more information contact a student recruitment officer at welcome@uwinnipeg.ca or 204.786.9844. In any case where the University's

Academic Calendar and this fact sheet differ, the current Calendar takes precedence.

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