

Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: IREL-345 Human Rights and International Relations

Department: International Relations

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
IREL-345	Human Rights and IR	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Spring	42	English 101
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
International Relations	Upper Division	English

Instructor

Dr F. Mirbagheri

Course Aims and Objectives

This course is for students who are interested in the role of human rights in world politics. In this course, we will explore the controversial issue of defining “human rights” and the various mechanisms currently in place to defend human rights internationally. We will discuss theories presented to explain human rights variations over time and space. In addition, we examine the role of such diverse organizations as the US Department of State, the United Nations, and Amnesty International and in their attempts to defend human rights internationally.

Teaching Methods

The course is delivered through a mixture of lectures, assignments and project(s).

Course Teaching Hours

42 hours . The course is delivered during the Spring semester in 14-weeks (3 hours/week).

Evaluation and Grading

Class Participation:	0-5%
Homework/Project(s):	10-20%
Test(s):	40-50%
Final Exam:	40-50%

Readings and Resources

Required Textbook

Walter Laquer and Barry Rubin: Human Rights Reader

Jack Donnelly: International Human Rights