



PÉCS SUMMER SCHOOL COURSE SYLLABUS



Course Information:

Course Title: Current Challenges of International Human Rights Law

Date: July 4-17, 2024

Time: Classes are held between 9:00-12:15

Location: University of Pécs, Faculty of Law

Credits: 6 ECTS

Course Overview:

Description: This course explores contemporary challenges facing international human rights law. Human rights law has become an essential pillar of international and European Union law. Nevertheless, many challenges to the safeguarding and promotion of human rights remain, affecting various dimensions of the multilevel human rights framework. Challenges arise from diverse factors such as technological development, policy goals, social and other crises, armed conflicts etc. In the summer school, participants will delve into critical issues, debates, and evolving trends within the field. Through a combination of lectures, case studies, and discussions, students will gain a comprehensive understanding of the complexities and nuances inherent in the current landscape of international human rights.

Prerequisites: Basic knowledge of international law is recommended.

Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. **Understand Key Concepts:** Demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of fundamental concepts and principles in international human rights law.
2. **Critically Analyse Current Challenges:** Analyse and critically evaluate contemporary challenges, dilemmas, and debates in the field of international human rights.
3. **Apply Legal Frameworks:** Apply relevant legal frameworks and conventions to real-world scenarios, showcasing the ability to navigate complex issues.
4. **Effective Communication:** Communicate complex legal arguments and analyses effectively.
5. **Analytical Skills:** Develop research and analytical skills to explore and assess primary and secondary sources related to international human rights issues.



Materials:

- Materials will primarily be distributed by the lecturers during the summer school.
- For a fundamental overview, see: Jack Donnelly, Daniel J. Whelan: *International Human Rights* (Routledge, 2020) *and* Jan Wouters et al.: *The European Union and Human Rights. Law and Policy* (Oxford, 2020)

Schedule:

- See attached excel sheet for the draft schedule.