



MULTI-FACULTY

HUMAN RIGHTS

A major in Human Rights will expose you to issues of human rights from diverse perspectives - conflict resolution, gender studies, international development studies, politics, history, geography, philosophy, anthropology, economics, and religious studies.

The Human Rights program - offered through the Global College - provides you with the opportunity to structure your education around the study of social justice, global citizenship, and human rights. Because 'human rights' is understood in multiple ways, this major takes an interdisciplinary approach to its core courses.

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. This is the only undergraduate Human Rights program in Western Canada and is studied as a model by other institutions world-wide seeking to implement such an undergraduate degree.

SAMPLE CAREERS

You will develop knowledge and analytic skills relevant to a wide range of jobs in both the public and private sector, such as in public administration, international rights and advocacy groups, humanitarian and refugee organizations, and academia. A major in Human Rights is an excellent background for law school and for work in NGOs and other rewarding fields. A minor in Human Rights is a strong and relevant supplement for students pursuing careers in business or the 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.

Emerging Issues in Human Rights is designed to introduce students, in a range of disciplines and students entering university, to challenges and opportunities in global to local human rights, by cultivating foundational skills for academic success. In both classroom and community settings, students explore global issues using the city as our human rights 'campus' through current news items, literature, and social analysis from diverse perspectives, shaped by research expertise in Global College.

Human Rights Institutions analyzes the role of specialized Canadian and international human rights institutions, such as human rights commissions and tribunals. It provides an understanding of the legislative frameworks for select institutions and procedures for accessing selected human rights institutions, and assesses the societal impact of such commissions and tribunals through their educational functions as well as case decisions.

MORE SAMPLE COURSES

- History of Human Rights in Canada
- Models of Transitional Justice
- Refugees, Resettlement and Resilience
- Concepts and Conventions in Human Rights
- Global Human Rights Advocacy
- Capstone Seminar in Human Rights

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 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 Loeppky, 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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