

Call for applications to the PhD-level course “International, Regional, and Domestic Human Rights Mechanisms: Their Role and Impact, 17-19 November 2022

The [NORHED II project, Partnership for Peace: Better Higher Education for Resilient Societies](#) and the [Norwegian Centre for Human Rights](#) invites applications for the PhD-level course “**International, Regional, and Domestic Human Rights Mechanisms: Their Role and Impact**”, to take place in person in Oslo, on **17 – 19 November 2022**. Expenses for the selected participants from the partner institutions are covered under the Norhed II project.

The course is open for both PhD-candidates and junior faculty. The deadline for sending in your application is **17 June 2022**. When applying for a place in the course, please send the following documents:

- **Short CV of two pages maximum;** and
- **Letter of motivation**, demonstrating how this course is relevant to your PhD project or research interests.

We have **three guiding principles in the participant selection process**, namely the **strength of candidate**; the **relevance of the course for the candidates’ research**; and **gender balance** within each institution and in the PhD course as a whole.

Application form

Applications for the course should be sent via the online form, accessible at <https://nettskjema.no/a/269366> (please note the **17 June 2022 deadline**). If you have difficulties in submitting your application, please contact Mrs Jasna Jozelic, via email at: norhed-adm@nchr.uio.no.

Course description

This course provides insights into the role and impact of key selected international, regional, and domestic human rights mechanisms on the interpretation and development of human rights, as well as improving the enjoyment of human rights at the domestic level. Since its inception in the aftermath of WWII, the international human rights system has evolved through a number of successive phases and, currently is in the process of being further reformed through the UN treaty bodies’ review 2020. These systemic developments are of an institutional, substantive and procedural nature. More recently, these developments have faced some backlash from States and other relevant actors. While some of the criticism towards the human rights infrastructure is misplaced, it must be admitted that the institutional framework has grown piecemeal and might need certain adjustments to function optimally. Some of these institutional reform processes, along with the impact of selected main human rights mechanisms, will also be addressed during the course.

The course is built around a series of seminars with leading scholars and practitioners. The curriculum is state-of-the-art. All participants attending more than 70% of the program will receive an attendance diploma/certificate. Those who are interested in receiving 5 (five) ECTS study credits, must submit a research paper of 5,000 (five thousand) words maximum (including footnotes), which is evaluated as **pass/fail**. More instructions will be provided during the course.



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