



Faculty of Law

JVZM01, Master Thesis, 15 credits

Master Thesis, 15 högskolepoäng
Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus is an old version, approved by Faculty of Law Board of education at undergraduate and postgraduate levels on 2022-02-02 and was valid from 2022-03-24, spring semester 2022.

General Information

This course is given at the Faculty of Law as part of the cooperation between the Faculty of Law in Lund and EIUC, European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation in Venice, Italy.

The course is open only for students participating in E.MA, the European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation managed by EIUC, who study their second term at the Faculty of Law in Lund.

Main field of studies

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Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

A2E, Second cycle, contains degree project for Master of Arts/Master of Science (120 credits)

Learning outcomes

The purpose of the course is that the student shall obtain an in-depth insight in a selected topic of international human rights law, including aspects of democratisation, through writing a qualified thesis at Master level. Furthermore, the purpose is to enhance the ability of the student to conduct research and to employ analytical skills and advanced argumentation as well as legal method required in an international and national legal professional setting.

Knowledge and understanding

To pass examination the student shall be able to show

- in-depth knowledge concerning the selected topic within international human rights law

- in-depth knowledge of the scientific and methodological foundations of this branch of law
- knowledge of current international human rights law research and methodology.

Competence and skills

To pass examination the student shall show:

- ability, at an advanced level, to critically and systematically assess and integrate knowledge in international human rights law
- ability to independently, critically and creatively identify legal problems and to systematize arguments, and to analyze, compare and assess theoretical and practical problems within the context of international human rights law
- ability to plan and pursue qualified tasks within given time frames and to contribute to the development of knowledge and to assess the performance.

Judgement and approach

To pass examination the student shall show:

- ability to make an assessment regarding societal aspects of international human rights law
- insight regarding the role international human rights law plays in the interaction between states and individuals/groups and in the international community as a whole
- insight regarding the role of international and regional organizations in the international human rights law making processes
- ability to realize the advantages and disadvantages of international human rights law and its impact on the state organization and legislation
- ability to continuously develop the knowledge about international human rights law and its underlying theories and methods.

Course content

The student is to write a thesis on a topic of relevance to human rights law and democracy.

Course design

Teaching is in the form of supervision.

Assessment

Examination is in the form of assessment of the thesis.

The examiner, in consultation with Disability Support Services, may deviate from the regular form of examination in order to provide a permanently disabled student with a form of examination equivalent to that of a student without a disability.

Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with credit, Pass with distinction.

Grading criteria are described in the EMA Rules of assessment, issued by the EMA governing bodies (updated yearly). The grades are converted to The Faculty of Law grading scale accordingly:

6.0-7.9 = B

8.0-8.9 = BA

9.0-10.0 = AB

Entry requirements

The students must have passed the courses given on the first term of the European Master's Programme in Human Rights and Democratisation (E.MA.), managed by EIUC, in basic human rights law before admission.

Further information

The University views plagiarism as a very serious academic offence, and will take disciplinary actions against students for any kind of attempted malpractice in connection with examinations and assessments. The penalty that may be imposed for this, and other unfair practice in examinations or assessments, includes suspension from the University.

Subcourses in JVZM01, Master Thesis

Applies from V09

0901 Master Thesis, 15,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with credit, Pass with distinction