

Introduction to Human Rights and the Environment

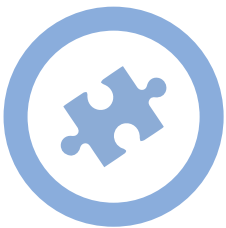
Course Syllabus



Course Goal and Outline

The Introduction to Human Rights and the Environment course covers the relationship between human rights and the environment; explains the bases for the application of human rights to environmental issues, and the procedural and substantive obligations relating to the environment; and gives examples of constitutions that have incorporated a right to a healthy environment, good practices in procedural and substantive environmental protection.

Modules



1. “The Relationship Between Human Rights and the Environment”



2. “Human Rights Norms relating to the Protection of the Environment”



3. “Implementation of a Human Rights Approach to Environmental Protection”

Content, Learning Objectives and Assessments

Modules	Content	Learning Objectives	Assessment
The Relationship Between Human Rights and the Environment	<p>Lesson 1.1 - Protecting the Environment using a Human Rights Approach</p> <p>Lesson 1.2 – Legal and Institutional Framework: Human Rights and the Environment - The UN Human Rights System and Other International Recognition of Human Rights and Environment Linkages</p> <p>Lesson 1.3 – Legal and Institutional Framework: Human Rights and the Environment - The Regional Human Rights System and Institutional Framework</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Explain how environmental harm can interfere with the enjoyment of human rights. ● Determine how the exercise of human rights can help promote environmental protection. ● Present an overview of the major international and regional human rights instruments, cases, and institutional frameworks. 	- Quiz
Human Rights Norms relating to the Protection of the Environment	<p>Lesson 2.1 - Procedural Obligations Relating to the Environment</p> <p>Lesson 2.2 – Substantive Obligations Relating to the Environment</p> <p>Lesson 2.3 – Obligations relating to the Marginalized and those in Vulnerable Situations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Describe the procedural and substantive human rights obligations relating to the protection of the environment. ● Identify international human rights tribunals and other human rights bodies and actors that play a role in the protection of the environment. ● Identify the human rights obligations relating to the protection of vulnerable groups from environmental harm. 	- Quiz
Implementation of a Human Rights Approach to Environmental Protection	<p>Lesson 3.1 - Constitutional Rights to a Healthy Environment</p> <p>Lesson 3.2 – Good Practices in Procedural and Substantive Environmental Protection</p> <p>Lesson 3.3 – Good Practices in the Protection of those Vulnerable to Environmental Harm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Identify, analyze and compare good examples of national laws and public policies for the protection of the environment under a human rights approach. ● Determine the elements that make these good examples successful practices. ● Review good examples of national public policy that would contribute to the protection of the environment. 	- Quiz

Learning Material

The course is designed in a way that gives you flexibility to plan your learning process. The interactive lessons , quizzes can be accessed throughout the course. The lessons are all open from the beginning of the course for you. You need about 3 hours to complete the course. Assessment's scores can be consulted throughout the course.



Lessons

Lessons introduce you to the concepts of each lesson, including practical interactive exercises that give you an opportunity to check the acquired knowledge and that will help you to prepare and pass the assessments at the end of the lesson.

- Each lesson has about 20/30 slides, including some interactions and questions.
- You may interrupt a lesson at any point. The system keeps track of your position. Upon your return it automatically takes you to the point where you have previously stopped.



PDF Lessons

The pdf lessons have additional information. This can come handy in case of connection issues.



Quizzes

- Quizzes evaluate your understanding of the concepts of the Introduction of Human Rights and the Environment course. You will have to take one quiz in each module.
- You may do the assessments any time during the course, plan your time accordingly.



Evaluation

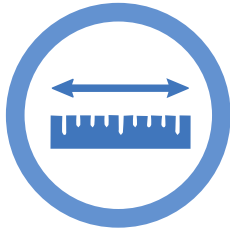
We also invite you to give your feedback about the course in the brief “Give us your feedback” per lesson. Kindly complete the questionnaire at the end of each lesson, providing us with feedback on your learning experience. Your opinion and inputs are highly valued and they will help us to improve the quality of the course!



Additional Resources

It provides you with additional resources such as links and pdf documents related to the module that will help you to reinforce your knowledge.

Assessment



Measuring your learning

Your performance in the Introduction of Human Rights and the Environment course will be measured on the interactive lessons and answering quizzes .

The course has an interactive lesson followed by a quiz: first you take the lesson then you answer the quiz. The quiz will determine your understanding of the concepts covered (declarative knowledge).



Marking

1. Quizzes
 - show immediately the correct answer after each attempt (up to 2).
 - After each attempt you can check your scores in the “Gradebook”.
 - The highest score will be retained as your final grade.
 - The right answer appear after submitting your answers



Grading Scheme

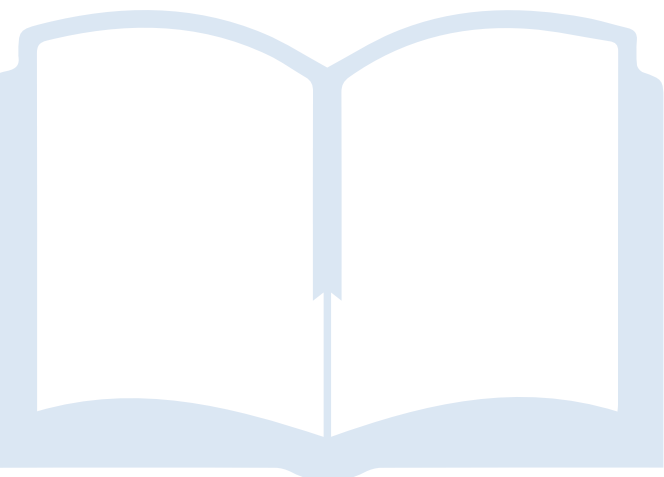
- The whole course is graded on 30 points.
- Each module corresponds to 10 points.
- The minimum required to pass a module is 6 points.



Completion Requirement

To receive the Certificate of the Introduction of Human Rights and the Environment course you need to achieve a minimum grade of 60% per module.

- It is compulsory to take the quizzes of the 3 modules.
- Marks are shown in the Gradebook as soon as you complete each quiz.
- Participants who pass 3 modules and achieve at least 60 % are entitled to the Certificate of participation.



Frequently Asked Questions

1. What's the maximum score for the course? What's the weight of each module?

The maximum score is 30 points. Each module corresponds to 10 points. (Quiz = 10 points;).

2. How many points do I need to pass a module?

The minimum score required to pass is 6 points.

3. How can I get to 6 points?

Each module has one assessment; which is equivalent to 10 points. You need to take the quiz in each module. Your grade for the module will be the sum of the results of the quiz, which can go to maximum of 10 points.

4. When will the grades for the assessments will be available?

The marks for the quizzes are available right after you complete them. The correct answers of the quiz will be displayed right after finishing the quiz.

5. Where can I see my grades?

You have a personal Gradebook where your marks are registered. It is accessible on the course's front page. In case you cannot see it please, consult the User Guide.

6. How many modules do I need to pass to obtain the Certificate of participation?

You need to pass all the quizzes with a minimum of 60 % per module.

7. Can I still get the Certificate of Participation in case I am not able to pass the 3 modules and in case my average grade below 6 points?

No. The Certificate is issued only to participants who obtains at least 6 points in each quiz.

