# Course Tentative Schedule, Topics and Reading Materials:

Introduction to the Summer School, Summer School Goals, Topics and lecturers / Getting to know each other

CEDAW - instrument and enforcement

Intersectionality as a tool for examining our privileges and oppressions

Gender Based Violence

The Concept of Gender Equality and Equal Pay as a Case-Study

Bodies, Reproductive Health and Rights

Women’s Representation and Reconciliation of Family and Work Life

**Note on schedule:** The morning session will run from 9:00 to 12:00, and the afternoon sessions from 14:00 to 16:00. There will be a lunch break in between from 12:00 to 14:00. Each day,16:00 to 18:00 will be marked separately as reading time.

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| **Day 1**  |
| **Morning****9:00-12:00**  | **CEDAW- Instrument and Enforcement****Primary materials*** [The 1979 UN Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW).](https://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/Documents/ProfessionalInterest/cedaw.pdf)
* [Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women](https://daccess-ods.un.org/tmp/5571370.12481689.html).
* [Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.](https://www.ohchr.org/en/treaty-bodies/cedaw)
* [The Beijing Platform for Action](https://chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/https%3A//www.unwomen.org/sites/default/files/Headquarters/Attachments/Sections/CSW/PFA_E_Final_WEB.pdf)
* [Commission on the Status of Women](https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&source=web&rct=j&opi=89978449&url=https://www.unwomen.org/en/how-we-work/commission-on-the-status-of-women&ved=2ahUKEwi28tu0ieGMAxU_hf0HHUuYMjsQFnoECBcQAQ&usg=AOvVaw3qZuZF7VPZS3g4vni--N4h)

**Secondary materials*** RJ Cook, ‘Womenʹs International Human Rights Law: The Way Forward’ *in* RJ Cook (ed), *Human Rights of Women: National and International Perspectives* (University of Pennsylvania Press 1994), 3-36.
* D Simonovic, ‘Commission on the Status of Women: The UN Commission on the Status of Women’ in Zeid Ra’ad Al Hussein and Jared Gensers (eds), *The Oxford Handbook on the UN Human Rights System* (OUP, Forthcoming 2025).
* A Hellum and HS Aasen (eds), *Women’s Human Rights: CEDAW in International, Regional and National Law* (CUP, 2013).
* B Rana and V Perrie, ‘CEDAW: A Tool for Addressing Violence against Women’ in SS Aneel, UT Haroon, and I Niazi (eds), *70 Years of Development: The Way Forward* (Sustainable Development Policy Institute 2019), 111-130.
* HE Kington, ‘Why Has the United States Never Ratified the UN Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women?’ (Honors College Capstone Experience/Thesis Projects. Paper 155, 2009), 1-58.
* PA Made, ‘Defining an African Women’s Agenda Beyond Beijing’ (1996) 1(1) *African Journal of Political Science / Revue Africaine de Science Politique*, 73-83.
* A Facio and M Morgan, ‘Understanding CEDAW’s Equality Principles’ (2009) 60(5) *Alabama Law Review* 133-1170.

**Cases*** [CEDAW Committee, Constance Ragan Salgado v. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Communication No. 11/2006, U.N. Doc. CEDAW/C/37/D/11/2006 (2007).](http://hrlibrary.umn.edu/cedaw/decisions/11-2006.html)
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| **Afternoon****14:00-16:00** | **Intersectionality** **Primary materials*** [Intersectional feminism: What it means and why it matters right no (*UN Women*, 1 July 2020)](https://www.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2020/6/explainer-intersectional-feminism-what-it-means-and-why-it-matters)
* [Intersectionality Resource Guide and Toolkit - An Intersectional Approach to Leave No One Behind’ (*UN Women*, 2021)](https://www.unwomen.org/en/digital-library/publications/2022/01/intersectionality-resource-guide-and-toolkit)

**Secondary materials*** K Crenshaw, ‘Demarginalizing the Intersection of Race and Sex: A Black Feminist Critique of Antidiscrimination Doctrine’, (1989) (1) *University of Chicago Legal Forum* 139-167.
* S Cho, KW Crenshaw and L McCall, ‘Toward a Field of Intersectionality Studies: Theory, Applications, and Praxis’ (2013) 38(4) *Signs* 785-810.
* A Hancock, ‘When Multiplication Doesn’t Equal Quick Addition: Examining Intersectionality as a Research Paradigm’ (2007) 5(1) *Perspectives on Politics* 63-79.
* A Petričušić, ‘From Theory to Practice: The Deployment of Intersectionality in International Human Rights Policy’ (2024) 61(2) *Politička misao* 80-106.
* L Sosa, ‘Intersectionality in the Council of Europe and Inter-American System’ in *Intersectionality in the Human Rights Legal Framework on Violence against Women: At the Centre or the Margins?* (CUP 2017), 121-168.
* M Campbell, ‘CEDAW and Women’s Intersecting Identities: A Pioneering Approach to Intersectionality’ (2015) 11(2) *Revista Diretio GV* 479-503 (on how CEDAW committee has addressed intersectional discrimination and responding to the criticisms of CEDAW as applying to a monolothic category of ‘women’)
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| **Day 2** |
| **Morning****9:00-12:00** | **Gender-Based Violence****Primary materials*** [The UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), CEDAW General Recommendation No. 19: Violence against women, 1992](https://www.refworld.org/legal/resolution/cedaw/1992/en/96542). [*May consider updating this to* [*General recommendation No. 35*](https://docs.un.org/en/CEDAW/C/GC/35)*, which updates general recommendation No. 19(2017)]*
* [The Beijing Platform for Action Strategic Objective and Action: Violence against Women](https://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/beijing/platform/violence.htm)
* [Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls](https://www.ohchr.org/en/special-procedures/sr-violence-against-women)
* [Working Group on discrimination against women and girls](https://www.ohchr.org/en/special-procedures/wg-women-and-girls)
* [The 1994 Inter-American Convention on the Prevention, Punishment and Eradication of Violence against Women (Convention of Belém do Pará).](https://chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/https%3A//www.oas.org/en/mesecvi/docs/BelemDoPara-ENGLISH.pdf)
* I[nter-American Commission on Human Rights, Access to justice for women victims of violence in the Americas](https://www.cidh.org/women/Access07/chap1.htm#:~:text=%2D%20In%20the%20administration%20of%20justice,They%20must%20also%20%E2%80%9Cestablish%20the).
* [The Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (Istanbul Convention).](https://rm.coe.int/168008482e)
* [CJEU Opinion 1/19 of 6 October 2021](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:62019CV0001(02)) concerning the EU’s accession to the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (the Istanbul Convention).
* [European Institute for Gender Equality. International Regulations Regarding Gender-Based Violence](https://eige.europa.eu/gender-based-violence/regulatory-and-legal-framework/international-regulations?language_content_entity=en#toc-the-council-of-europe).
* [European Insitute for Gender Equality, Combating Cyber Violence against Women and Girls (2002).](https://eige.europa.eu/publications-resources/publications/combating-cyber-violence-against-women-and-girls?language_content_entity=en)
* [The Council of Europe Budapest Convention on cybercrime](https://chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/https%3A//rm.coe.int/1680081561).

[EU Directive on Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence.](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/dir/2024/1385/oj/eng)**Secondary material*** SE Merry, ‘Constructing a Global Law-Violence against Women and the Human Rights System’ (2003) 28(4) *Law & Social Inquiry* 941-77.
* C Bettinger-López, ‘Introduction: Jessica Lenahan (Gonzales) v. United States: Implementation, Litigation, and Mobilization Strategies’ (2012) 21 *American University Journal of Gender, Social Policy & the Law*1-24.
* JM Falcón, ‘The Inter-American Human Rights System and Its Impact on the Human Rights of Women’ in Bogdandy et al (eds), *The Impact of the Inter-American Human Rights System* (OUP 2024) 268-284.
* S Choudhry, ‘Towards a Transformative Conceptualisation of Violence Against Women - A Critical Frame Analysis of Council of Europe Discourse on Violence Against Women’ (2016) 79 *Modern Law Review* 406-441.
* P Londono, ‘Developing Human Rights Principles in Cases of Gender-Based Violence: Opuz v Turkey in the European Court of Human Rights’ (2009) 9 *Human Rights Law Review* 657-667.
* JB Williams, L Singh and N Mezey, ‘#MeToo as Catalyst: A Glimpse into 21st Century Activism’, (2019) 22 *University of Chicago Legal Forum* 371-393.
* T Mckinlay and T Lavis, ‘Why did she send it in the first place? Victim blame in the context of ‘revenge porn’’ (2020) 27(3) *Psychiatry, Psychology and Law* 386–396.
* S Fallik et al, ‘Revenge Porn: A Critical Content Analysis of the Nation’s Laws and Reflection upon Social Science Research’ (2022) (23(1) *Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law & Society* 1–22.
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| **Afternoon****14:00-16:00** | **Student Presentations (on Violence)****Cases*** [Jessica Lenahan (Gonzales) v. United States of America, Case Nº 12.626 (Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, decision of 21 July 2011).](https://www.legalmomentum.org/amicus-briefs/jessica-lenahan-gonzales-v-united-states)
* [European Court of Human Rights, Opuz v. Turkey (Application no. 33401/02, Judgement of 9 June 2009).](https://hudoc.echr.coe.int/fre?i=001-92945)
* [CEDAW Committee, A.T. v. Hungary, CEDAW Communication No. 2/2003, U.N. Doc. CEDAW/C/32/D/2/2003 (2005).](http://hrlibrary.umn.edu/cedaw/decisions/2-2003.html)
* [CEDAW Committee, S.F.M. v. Spain, Communication No. 138/2018, Views of 28 February 2020, UN Doc. CEDAW/C/75/D/138/2018](https://atlas-of-torture.org/en/entity/5wbyuwj5ith?page=1)
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| **Day 3** |
|  | **Background Reading** |
| **Morning****9:00-12:00** | **The Concept of Equality & Equal Pay****Primary material*** [Gender Equality and Women’s Rights : Council of Europe Standards.](https://rm.coe.int/168058feef)
* [Pay Transparency Directive](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32023L0970).
* [Equality Bodies Directives](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/TA-9-2024-0196_EN.pdf).
* [A Union of Equality: The European Union Gender Equality Strategy 2020-2025](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=COM:2020:0152:FIN).
* [The 2018-2023 Council of Europe Gender Equality Strategy.](https://rm.coe.int/ge-strategy-2018-2023/1680791246)
* [The 2024-2029 Council of Europe Gender Equality Strategy.](https://search.coe.int/cm#{%22CoEIdentifier%22:[%220900001680ae569b%22],%22sort%22:[%22CoEValidationDate%20Descending%22]})

**Secondary Material - TO BE ADDED*** I Radačić, ‘Gender Equality Jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights’ (2008) 19(4) *European Journal of International Law* 841-857.

 **Cases – TO BE PRUNED*** [The CJEU Defrenne II judgment of 8 April 1976 (Case 43/75)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A61975CJ0043).
* [The CJEU Bilka judgment of 13 May 1986 (Case C-170/84)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A61984CJ0170).
* [The CJEU Barber judgment of 17 May 1990 (Case C-262/88)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A61988CJ0262).
* [The CJEU Marschall judgment of 11 November 1997 (Case C-409/95)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A61995CJ0409) .
* [The CJEU Nadine Paquay judgment of 11 October 2007 (Case C-460/06)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:62006CJ0460).
* [The CJEU Test-Achats judgment of 1 March 2011 (Case C-236/09)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A62009CJ0236).
* [The CJEU Kuso judgment of 12 September 2013 (Case C-614/11).](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/GA/TXT/?uri=CELEX:62011CJ0614)
* [The CJEU Korwin-Mikke judgment of 31 May 2018 (Cases T-770/16 and T-352/17)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A62017TJ0352).
* [The CJEU Violeta Villar Láiz judgment of 8 May 2019 (C-161/18)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A62018CJ0161).
* [The CJEU Praxair judgment of 8 May 2019 (C-486/18)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:62018CJ0486).
* [The CJEU Safeway judgment of 7 October 2019 (C-171/18)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:62018CJ0171).
* [The CJEU Hakelbracht judgment of 20 June 2019 (C-404/18)](https://curia.europa.eu/juris/liste.jsf?num=C-404/18).
* [The CJEU Tesco Stores judgment of 3 June 2021 (C-624/19)](https://curia.europa.eu/juris/liste.jsf?lgrec=fr&td=%3BALL&language=en&num=C-624/19&jur=C).
* [The CJEU Ortiz Mesonero judgment of 18 September 2019 (C-366/18)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:62018CJ0366&from=EN).
* [The CJEU Tesorería General de la Seguridad Social judgment of 24 February 2022 (C-389/20).](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/FR/TXT/?uri=CELEX:62020CJ0389)
* [The CJEU BVAEB judgment of 5 May 2022 (C-405/20)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:62020CJ0405).
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| **Afternoon****14:00-16:00** | **Research presentations by students** |

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| **Day 4** |
| **Morning****9:00-12:00** | **Bodies, reproductive rights and health****Background reading*** [The Beijing Platform for Action Strategic Objective and Action: Women and Health.](https://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/beijing/platform/health.htm)
* [European Parliament's Resolution on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in the EU, in the Frame of Women’s Health, 24 June 2021.](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/TA-9-2021-0314_EN.html)
* [The UN Women’s Rights Committee (2022), Access to safe and legal abortion: Urgent call for United States to adhere to women’s rights convention, UN Committee.](https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2022/07/access-safe-and-legal-abortion-urgent-call-united-states-adhere-womens-rights)
* [UNHCHR, *Gender Equality and Gender Backlash*.](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Women/WGWomen/Pages/GenderEqualityandBacklash.aspx)
* [Reproductive Rights are Human Rights: A Handbook for National Human Rights Institutions Published jointly with UNFPA and the Danish Institute for Human Rights (2014)](https://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/NHRIHandbook.pdf)
* [Brief of United Nations mandate holders as amici curiae in support of respondents in Thomas E. Dobbs, State Health Officer of the Mississippi Department of Health, et al., Petitioners v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, et al.](https://www.supremecourt.gov/DocketPDF/19/19-1392/192929/20210920124903156_Brief%20of%20Intl%20and%20Comparative%20Legal%20Scholars%20as%20Amici%20Curiae%20in%20Support%20of%20Respondents.pdf)

**Secondary material*** C Shalev, ‘Rights to sexual and reproductive health: the ICPD and the convention on the elimination of all forms of discrimination against women’ (2000) 4(2) *Health and Human Rights* 38-66.
* F Van Leeuwen, ‘A Woman’s Right to Decide? The United Nations Human Rights Committee, Human Rights of Women, and Matters of Human Reproduction’, (2007) 25(1) *Netherlands Quarterly of Human Rights* 97-116.
* RJ Cook, ‘International Human Rights and Women’s Reproductive Health’ (1993) 24(2) *Studies in Family Planning* 73-86.

**Cases*** [UN Human Rights Committee KL v. Peru decision on failing to ensure access to legal abortion services (24 October 2005) (CCPR/C/85/D/1153/2003).](https://www.escr-net.org/caselaw/2016/kl-v-peru-ccprc85d11532003-communication-no-11532003)
* [European Court of Human Rights, A, B & C v Ireland (Application no. 25579/05, Judgment of 16 December 2010).](https://hudoc.echr.coe.int/fre#{%22itemid%22:[%22001-102332%22]})
* [UN Human Rights Committee decision on denial of access to abortion in Ireland, Whelan. v. Ireland (11 July 2017) (CCPR/C/119/D/2425/2014)](https://daccess-ods.un.org/tmp/875354.930758476.html).
* [UN Human Rights Committee decision on denial of access to abortion in Ireland, Mellet v. Ireland (17 November 2016) (CCPR/C/116/D/2324/2013)](https://daccess-ods.un.org/tmp/4109800.15993118.html).
* [European Court of Human Rights, Grimmark v. Sweden (Application no. 43726/17, Judgement of 11 February 2020).](https://hudoc.echr.coe.int/fre?i=002-12769)
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| **Afternoon****14:00-16:00** | **Research presentations by students** |

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| **Day 5**  |
| **Morning****9:00-12:00** | **Representation and quotas; Reconciliation of work and family life****Background reading*** [The 1979 Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW).](https://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/Documents/ProfessionalInterest/cedaw.pdf)
* [The Beijing Platform for Action Strategic Objective and Action: Women in Power and Decision-making.](https://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/beijing/platform/decision.htm)
* [The 2011 UN General Assembly resolution on women’s political participation (A/RES/66/130).](https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/N11/466/62/PDF/N1146662.pdf?OpenElement)
* [The UN Women's work on leadership and political participation.](https://www.unwomen.org/sites/default/files/Headquarters/Attachments/Sections/Library/Publications/2013/12/UN%20WomenLGThemBriefUSwebrev2%20pdf.pdf)
* [Women on Boards Directive](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/dir/2022/2381/oj)
* [Recommendation CM/Rec(2019)1 of the Committee of Ministers to member States on preventing and combating sexism](https://rm.coe.int/CoERMPublicCommonSearchServices/DisplayDCTMContent?documentId=090000168093b26a)
* [The 1994 International Labour Organisation Part-Time Work Convention (No. 175)](https://www.ilo.org/dyn/normlex/en/f?p=NORMLEXPUB:12100:0::NO:12100:P12100_INSTRUMENT_ID:312320:NO)
* [The 1981 International Labour Organisation Convention on workers with family responsibilities (No. 156)](https://www.ilo.org/dyn/normlex/en/f?p=NORMLEXPUB:12100:0::NO::P12100_ILO_CODE:C156)
* [The 1962 International Labour Organisation Reduction of Hours of Work Recommendation  (No. 116)](https://www.ilo.org/dyn/normlex/en/f?p=NORMLEXPUB:12100:0::NO:12100:P12100_INSTRUMENT_ID:312454:NO)
* [Directive (EU) 2019/1158 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 on work-life balance for parents and carers](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELLAR:4119596d-a475-11e9-9d01-01aa75ed71a1%22%20\o%20%22External%20link%20-%20Directive%20(EU)%202019/1158%20of%20the%20European%20Parliament%20and%20of%20the%20Council%20of%2020%20June%202019%20on%20work-life%20balance%20for%20parents%20and%20carers)
* [Recognition, Redistribution and Reduction of Care Work. Inspiring practices in Latin America and the Caribbean (*UN Women*, 2018).](https://lac.unwomen.org/sites/default/files/Field%20Office%20Americas/Documentos/Publicaciones/2018/11/Estudio%20cuidados/2b%20UNW%20Care%20Maping-compressed.pdf)
* [Progress of the world’s women 2019–2020: Families in a changing world (*UN Women*, 2019).](https://www.unwomen.org/sites/default/files/Headquarters/Attachments/Sections/Library/Publications/2019/Progress-of-the-worlds-women-2019-2020-en.pdf)

**Secondary material** * **Representation and Quotas**
* MM Hughes, P Paxton and M Krook, ‘Gender Quotas for Legislatures and Corporate Boards’, (2017) 43(1) *Annual Review for Sociology* 331-352.
* MM Hughes, ‘Intersectionality, Quotas, and Minority Women’s Political Representation Worldwide’, (2011) 105(3) *The American Political Science Review* 604-620.
* R Rubio-Marin, ‘A New European Parity-Democracy Sex Equality Model and Why it Won’t Fly in the US’, (2012) 60(1) *The American Journal of Comparative Law* 99-126.
* **Reconciliation of Work and Family Life**
* R Garcia and J Tomlinson, ‘Rethinking the Domestic Division of Labour: Exploring Change and Continuity in the Context of Redundancy’ (2021) 55(2) *Sociology* 300-318.
* K Klasnić and D Degač, ‘‘I walk around with a list in my head’: Qualitative research on perceived causes and consequences of the unequal gender division of mental labor in Croatian households’, (2024) *Community, Work & Family* 1-24.
* S Roberts, ‘Boys will be boys...won’t they? Change and continuities in contemporary young working-class masculinities’, (2012) 47(4) *Sociology* 671-686.
* E Chieregato, ‘A Work–Life Balance for All? Assessing the Inclusiveness of EU Directive 2019/1158’, (2020) 36 (1) *International Journal of Comparative Labour Law and Industrial Relations* 59-80.
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| **Afternoon****14:00-16:00** | **Discussion on students’ on-going research and Course wrap up** |