DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

COURSE OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES
CBCS, 2022
HUMAN RIGHTS, GENERAL (HR-G)
(Multidisciplinary Course)

Programme Specific Outcome (PSOs)

PO1: Promoting a comprehensive understanding of the philosophical, historical, and legal foundations of human rights and duties, enabling learners to uphold and advocate for rights and responsibilities across diverse socio-political contexts.

PO2: Enhancing awareness of constitutional rights and civic duties, allowing students to engage meaningfully with legal frameworks and safeguard the rights of marginalized and vulnerable groups.

PO3: Fostering responsible and active citizenship by encouraging students to participate in democratic processes, recognize injustices, and contribute to the promotion of justice, equality, and human dignity.

PO4: Developing critical thinking and analytical skills to assess human rights policies, laws, and social realities, and to recommend context-sensitive and ethically sound solutions.

PO5: Understanding global human rights challenges such as conflict, displacement, poverty, and environmental degradation, and appreciating the importance of international cooperation and solidarity in addressing these issues.

PO6: Studying and interpreting national and international human rights laws, including the Indian Constitution, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and various UN treaties, while becoming familiar with institutions such as the NHRC, NCW, UNHRC, and ILO.

PO7: Preparing for academic and competitive examinations such as the UGC NET, civil services, and other fields related to law, public administration, political science, and social work, through a rigorous understanding of rights-based frameworks.

PO8: Equipping students for diverse professional roles in government, civil society, journalism, research, academia, and international organizations, with a strong commitment to social justice, ethical governance, and human welfare.

COURSE OUTCOMES (CO)

Course Code	Title	Course Credit	Course Objective	Course Outcome
Semester I				
HR-G-CC/GE-1-1-TH	Introduction to Human Rights: Jurisprudence, Norms, Standards and Mechanisms	4+2	- To introduce the philosophical and historical foundations of human rights and duties. - To understand classifications and interrelations between rights and duties. - To learn about international human rights mechanisms and major UN conventions.	- Understand the origin and development of human rights and duties. - Analyze different theories and classifications of rights and duties. - Critically examine tensions between rights and duties. - Gain familiarity with major international HR instruments (e.g., UDHR, ICCPR, ICESCR). - Apply HR understanding in interpreting societal practices and ethical living.
HR-G-CC/GE-1-1-P	Practical on Core Paper 1		- To encourage students to explore and report on specific themes related to human rights theories and international instruments.	- Develop basic research and presentation skills on core human rights themes. - Demonstrate practical understanding of human rights jurisprudence through case-based or field assignments.
Semester II				
HR-G-CC/GE-2-2-TH	Promotion of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law	4+2	- To understand the role of the UN and other international/regional bodies in promoting human rights. - To study the principles and evolution of International Humanitarian Law (IHL).	- Explain the functioning of UN bodies and regional mechanisms in human rights protection. - Understand core principles of IHL and its relevance to humanitarian crises and conflict zones.
HR-G-CC/GE-2-2-P	Practical on Core Paper 2		-To apply theoretical knowledge by engaging with real-world issues of humanitarian law and global rights institutions.	- Analyze specific international instruments, reports, or case laws related to humanitarian law. - Demonstrate familiarity with institutional frameworks and their functional relevance.

Semester III				
HR-G-CC/GE-3-3-TH	Refugee Law and Specially Disadvantaged Sections of Society in India	4+2	- To study the problems of refugees and the evolution of refugee law. - To understand the rights of disadvantaged groups in India.	- Gain insight into the development and challenges of refugee law. - Understand the rights and challenges of specially disadvantaged sections. - Analyze international and national responses to refugee issues.
HR-G-CC/GE-3-3-P	Practical on Core Paper 3		- To conduct practical assessments or research focused on refugees and vulnerable social groups.	- Critically examine case studies or reports on displaced persons and legal rights of disadvantaged communities. - Present field-based insights or secondary analysis using data and official reports.
Semester IV				
HR-G-CC/GE-4-4-TH	Emerging Dimensions of Human Rights and Evolution of the Concept of Human Rights and Duties in India	4+2	- To study about the concept of national sovereignty. - To study the international enforcement of human rights. - To study the concept of new rights in order to understand the applicability of these rights in the contemporary realm.	- Evaluate the emerging HR dimensions and their socio-political implications. - Understand and critique international coercion, sanctions, and HR politics. - Identify HR violations by non-state actors and propose accountability frameworks. - Trace the Indian historical journey of HR and duties from cultural and constitutional perspectives. - Reflect on the relevance of HR in modern issues like environment, AI, peace, and sustainability.
HR-G-CC/GE-4-4-P	Practical on Core Paper 4		- To facilitate research and reporting on selected emerging human rights issues in India and globally.	- Develop interdisciplinary understanding of modern challenges to human rights such as technology or climate change. - Apply theoretical insights through investigative or issue-based reporting on national or global contexts.