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1.	Course Title	Politics of Human Rights and Human Development
2.	Course Number	3002705
3.	Credit Hours (Theory, Practical)	3 Hours
	Contact Hours (Theory, Practical)	3 Hours
4.	Prerequisites/ Corequisites	---
5.	Program Title	Master of Human Rights and Human Development
6.	Program Code	01
7.	School/ Center	Prince Al Hussein bin Abdullah II School of International Studies
8.	Department	Department of International Development
9.	Course Level	Master level
10.	Year of Study and Semester (s)	
11.	Other Department(s) Involved in Teaching the Course	NA
12.	Main Learning Language	English Language
13.	Learning Types	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Face to face learning <input type="checkbox"/> Blended <input type="checkbox"/> Fully online
14.	Online Platforms(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Moodle <input type="checkbox"/> Microsoft Teams
15.	Issuing Date	18-Nov-24
16.	Revision Date	

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19. Course Description:

The course explores the interplay between politics and human rights with a social sciences approach. It covers four broad topics: the role of human rights in international security cooperation human development and in international political economy, domestic responses to an international norm, and new challenges to the international order. Human rights are considered from three perspectives: theoretical concepts, such as economic justice and political legitimacy; governmental decision making, such as security, development, and trade policies; and case studies, on topics such as international conflicts, human development structural adjustment programs, and corporate social responsibility. The course examines unresolved theoretical and practical issues concerning the universality of human rights and whether human rights conventions, laws, and regimes are effective and their role in advancing human development.

20. Program Intended Learning Outcomes: (To be used in designing the matrix linking the intended learning outcomes of the course with the intended learning outcomes of the program)

- Analyzes, evaluates, and contributes to human rights development and humanitarian issues within both international and local institutions, including United Nations bodies and non-governmental organizations.
- Formulates concepts and terminology related to economic issues in the fields of human development and international human rights law.
- Analyzes and evaluates qualitative information sources in the field of human rights and human development.
- Contributes to community awareness through various means about the importance of human rights and human development, actively participating in building the community.
- Applies research methodologies in preparing and publishing scientific studies, as well as in conducting studies related to human rights and human development.
- Utilizes knowledge, principles, and theories in the field of human rights and human development to interpret and analyze local, regional, or international political events.



21. Course Intended Learning Outcomes: (Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to achieve the following intended learning outcomes)

1. Analyze the interplay between human rights, international security, human development, and international political economy.
2. Critically evaluate the effectiveness of human rights conventions, laws, and regimes in advancing human development.
3. Assess domestic responses to international human rights norms, considering factors such as government decision-making, security, development, and trade policies.
4. Analyze the theoretical concepts of human rights, such as economic justice and political legitimacy, in relation to global political structures.
5. Examine the role of human rights in addressing international conflicts, structural adjustment programs, and corporate social responsibility.
6. Evaluate the universality of human rights in both theoretical and practical contexts, exploring unresolved issues within international human rights law.
7. Conduct research on human rights issues and contribute to the academic discourse on their role in international relations and human development.
8. Utilize research methodologies to prepare and present studies related to human rights and their impact on global political events.
9. Interpret and analyze local, regional, or international political events through the lens of human rights principles and theories.

Learning and Teaching Methods: Lectures and group discussions.

Assignments: A term paper is a requirement of this course. The topic of the paper should be relevant to one of the topics in the Assignment Schedule. The paper should be 10 – 15 pages in length.

Assessment: First exam 30%, essay, attendance and participation 30% and final exam 40%.

Course ILOs	The learning levels to be achieved					
	Remembering	Understanding	Applying	Analysing	evaluating	Creating
1		Understanding	Applying	Analyzing	Evaluating	
2	Remembering		Applying			
3		Understanding			Evaluating	Creating
4	Remembering		Applying	Analyzing	Evaluating	Creating
5	Remembering	Understanding		Analyzing		Creating
6		Understanding	Applying		Evaluating	
7	Remembering	Understanding	Applying	Analyzing	Evaluating	



22. The matrix linking the intended learning outcomes of the course with the intended learning outcomes of the program:

Program ILOs / Course ILOs	ILO (1)	ILO (2)	ILO (3)	ILO (4)	ILO (5)
1		✓			✓
2	✓			✓	
3		✓		✓	
4	✓		✓		
5		✓			✓
6	✓		✓		
7				✓	✓

23. Topic Outline and Schedule:

Topic	Week	Instructor	Achieved ILOs	Learning Type (Face to Face/ Blended/ Fully Online)	Evaluation Methods	Reference
Historical Review Economic Growth, Economic Development, & Human Development	Week 1	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (2) ILO (1)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	1- John R, Weeks (212) :An Introduction to Population , Eleventh Edition, Wadsworth 2- Roger, Peter P, (2008) : An Introduction to Sustainable Development, Earthscan.
The Relationship between Human Development and Economic Growth	Week 2	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (1) ILO (3)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	Stewart,F. Rains,G and Samman (2018) Advancing Human Development: Theories
The Relationship between Human Development and Economic Growth	Week 3	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (5) ILO (2)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	Roger, Peter P, (2008): An Introduction to Sustainable Development, Earthscan
Sustainable Development and	Week 4	Dr.	ILO (1)	Face to	Presentation, Working paper	Roger, Peter P, (2008): An Introduction to Sustainable



Human Development		Abdelfattah		Face	and exams	Development, Earthscan
Sustainable Development and Human Development	Week 5	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (3)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	Jonsson, Urban, " Human Right Approach to Development Programing
Human Development: Beyond the HDI	Week 6	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (2) ILO (4)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	Jonsson, Urban, " Human Right Approach to Development Programing
Theoretical Components of Human Rights Approach to Programming	Week 7	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (5) ILO (4)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	Jonsson, Urban, " Human Right Approach to Development Programing
Human Rights Approach to Community Capacity Development	Week 8	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (3) ILO (1)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	Jonsson, Urban, " Human Right Approach to Development Programing
A Right Based Approach to Development	Week 9	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (2)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	Stewart,F. Rains,G and Samman (2018) Advancing Human Development:Theories and Practice, Oxford University Press
A Right Based Approach to Development	Week 10	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (1)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	Stewart,F. Rains,G and Samman (2018) Advancing Human Development:Theories and Practice, Oxford University Press
Human Right in Practice of Development:Political Conditionality	Week 11	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (1) ILO (3) ILO (5)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	Jonsson, Urban, " Human Right Approach to Development Programing
The Politics of Progress in Human Development	Week 12	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (3)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	Stewart,F. Rains,G and Samman (2018) Advancing Human Development:Theories and Practice, Oxford University Press



Achievements, Challenges, and the Way Forward in Human Development .	Week 13	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (2) ILO (4)	Face to Face	Presentation and Working paper	Stewart, F. Rains, G and Samman (2018) Advancing Human Development: Theories and Practice, Oxford University Press
Paper Presentation	Week 14	Dr. Abdelfattah	ILO (5) ILO (4)	Face to Face	Presentation	

24. Evaluation Methods:

Opportunities to demonstrate achievement of the ILOs are provided through the following assessment methods and requirements:

Evaluation Activity	Mark	Topic(s)	ILO/s Linked to the Evaluation activity	Period (Week)	Platform
First Exam	30	All Topics	ILO (3) ILO (5) ILO (2)	5	At the faculty building
Essay, Attendance and Participation	30	the paper should be relevant to one of the topics in the Assignment Schedule .	ILO (2) ILO (4)	10	At the faculty building
Final Exam	40	All Topics	ILO (5) ILO (4) ILO (2) ILO (1)	15	At the faculty building

25. Course Requirements:



(e.g.: students should have a computer, internet connection, webcam, account on a specific software/platform...etc.):

- Data show
- laptop

26. Course Policies:

- A- Attendance policies:
- B- Absences from exams and submitting assignments on time:
- C- Health and safety procedures:
- D- Honesty policy regarding cheating, plagiarism, misbehavior:
- E- Grading policy:
- F- Available university services that support achievement in the course

27. References:

- A- Required book(s), assigned reading and audio-visuals:
- 1- John R, Weeks (2012) :An Introduction to Population , Eleventh Edition, Wadsworth .
 - 2- Roger, Peter P, (2008) : An Introduction to Sustainable Development, Earthscan.
 - 3-Stewart,F. Rains,G and Samman (2018) Advancing Human Development:Theories and Practice, Oxford University Press.
 - 4- Jonsson, Urban, “ Human Right Approach to Development Programing.
 - 5-Uvin, Peter, : Human Rights and Development (2004) Kumaria

28. Additional information:

NA

Name of the Instructor or the Course Coordinator: Signature: Date:



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