

Advanced Human Rights Courses (AHRC)

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The Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria, will host an advanced course on **Effective and Accountable Policing in Africa**, which will run from 27 to 31 May 2019 and will take place at the University of Pretoria, South Africa.

About the course

In partnership with the African Policing Civilian Oversight Forum (APCOF), the Centre for Human Rights will host a five-day intensive short course examining the international human rights standards, comparative good practice and emerging continental trends surrounding policing in Africa.

Linked with a new research agenda on Freedom from Violence (with which the University of Pretoria is pioneering an international research collaboration), this course will draw upon longstanding expertise around human rights and policing (particularly use of force), and look to combine with the imperative of SDG 16 to build up effective, accountable and inclusive institutions to reduce levels of violence. One key institution, in this regard, is the police.

Topics include

The programme will cover the following topics:

- Theories, Challenges and Opportunities for accountable policing
- International standards for policing
- Internal & external oversight mechanisms
- Use of force in law enforcement

- Management of assemblies (“public order policing”)
- Forensic investigation
- Police corruption
- Torture/custody visits
- Discrimination & Vulnerability
- Evidence-based policing

Participants

This is a high-level course, particularly designed for practitioners working in the field of police accountability and oversight in Africa. Applications from judicial officers, post-graduate students with a relevant research focus, government officials responsible for relevant issues, and members of civil society groups experienced in and engaged with the issues are encouraged.

Applicants from around the world are invited. However, the course will have an African focus, and will be aimed at equipping African experts to play a stronger role in international discussions around these topics. Applicants from African countries are therefore in particular encouraged to apply, as are young scholars.

Presenters

Course presenters will include the former UN Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, the Director of African Policing Civilian Oversight Forum and several other leading experts in the field of police use of force and accountability.

Fees

Course attendance is free. Tuition, course materials, teas and lunch for the duration of the course are covered by the Centre for Human Rights. Participants from Gauteng are encouraged to apply. However participants will need to pay for their own transport and accommodation costs.

An option of securing accommodation through the Centre for Human Rights is available at a cost of R5640 (ZAR) for the duration of the course. This includes breakfast, dinner and transport from the hotel to the University of Pretoria.

Participants interested in this option should email Dennis Antwi at dennis.antwi@up.ac.za

Applications

Applicants are required to apply online for this course.

CLICK HERE TO APPLY FOR THIS COURSE

Please note that in order to apply for any of the Advanced Human Rights Courses, you are required to have a Google Gmail account.

Important Notice: A high proficiency in English is required to attend these courses. All lectures and materials are in English.

Documents to be submitted:

- Curriculum Vitae
- One Letter of Recommendation
- Academic Records (Students only)

Deadline for applications

The deadline for applications is **20 May 2019**.

Partners

This course is presented by the Advanced Human Rights Courses programme, in collaboration with the Institute for International and Comparative Law (ICLA), University of Pretoria and the African Policing Civilian Oversight (APCOF).

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