



Centre for Human Rights

Advanced Human Rights Course

Women's Rights in Africa

The Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria, will host a 5-day intensive hybrid short course on women's rights in Africa from 18 to 22 October 2021.

Important COVID-19 information

This year's course will be held in a hybrid format. There will be both online and physical attendance. Online attendance is free. A limited number of participants will be admitted to attend physically at the University of Pretoria's Future Africa campus. COVID -19 protocols will be strictly followed. Participants wishing to attend physically are required to write a short motivation why they wish to attend the course physically. A limited number of partial scholarships are available. These partial scholarships are awarded on a very competitive basis.

Course Objectives

The course provides a balance between theory and practical advocacy skills useful for practitioners from across the continent working in areas relating to women's rights. The course examines the international and regional human rights frameworks that guarantee the human rights of women and girls in Africa, with a particular focus on the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Rights of Women in Africa (Maputo Protocol).

The course also provides an opportunity to critically evaluate the potential of these human rights frameworks to challenge obstacles undermining the effective protection of women's rights in Africa.

Course Outline

The course components include:

- An introduction to international, regional and subregional frameworks on the human rights of women and girls.
- A critical examination of the concept of gender equality and the approaches to understanding gender equality and gender justice, including feminism and intersectionality.
- Explore questions of cultural relativism, religion and gender norms in advancing women's rights.
- Practical ideas on using the law and human rights principles in promoting women's rights.
- Reflect on key elements of advocacy and lobby planning and share information on positive interventions.

Visit www.chr.up.ac.za/ahrc for more information.

- 📅 Course length: 5 days
- 🕒 Estimated effort: 7+ hours/day
- 💰 Price: FREE (online)
- 📖 Course type: Short course
- 🌟 Certificate: On successful completion
- 🗣️ Language: English

Course dates
18 - 22
October 2021

Apply until
17 September 2021

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