

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 24 – 28 May 2027.

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 (The Maputo Protocol). The course 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.

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:
Online - 150 USD
In-person - 250 USD

Course type:
Short course

Certificate:
On successful completion

Language:
English

Course dates
24 – 28 May 2027

Apply until
15 May 2027

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Participants

This course is designed for governmental officials, officials from national human rights institution, directors or founders of civil society organisations, judges and magistrates, legal practitioners, as well as academics from universities in Africa. Participants from all over the world are, nevertheless, welcome to apply. Masters and doctoral students wishing to deepen their knowledge or expertise in a particular area of relevance to their study or research may also apply. All lectures and materials are in English, and proficiency in English is required to attend these courses.

Scholarships

All applicants wishing to apply for scholarships are required to write a short motivation. A limited number of scholarships are available. These scholarships are awarded on a very competitive basis.

Application procedure

Documents to be submitted:

- Curriculum Vitae (short CV in PDF or Word document, 1–2 pages, maximum 10 MB in file size)
- One Letter of Recommendation (PDF or Word document, maximum of 10 MB in file size)
- Academic Records (students only) (combined in one PDF or Word document, maximum 10 MB in file size).

Important Notice:
A high proficiency in English is required to attend this course. All lectures and materials are in English. Prior to applying for this course, please read through the information on the practical information and the payment details pages.

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

If you do not hear from us within 5 days after applications have closed, please consider your application unsuccessful.

Payment

Account name: University of Pretoria
Bank: ABSA Bank
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As reference please supply the following information: ***(A1H394)*** and ***surname***

Please email a proof of payment to Mr Dennis Antwi at **Dennis.Antwi@up.ac.za**.

NB: Please do not make payment until you have received confirmation that you have been accepted for the course.

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