

Contact Us

If you are interested in joining any of the clusters or participating in HRP, please contact us. We welcome student involvement.

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About the Program

The Human Rights Program is a new multi-disciplinary initiative that seeks to foster dialogue and collaboration on human rights research, teaching and engagement across campus. By building on the deep regional and global expertise of our faculty and students, HRP aims to establish human rights as an important dimension of our international capabilities. In particular, HRP will foster and support cross-regional and interdisciplinary research, and enrich the student experience by developing a human rights curriculum and providing opportunities for engagement.

The Global Legal Studies Center serves as HRP's administrative home. A steering committee, which includes the project leaders, representatives from Title VI centers involved in HRP, and the four research clusters that make up the research base, will lead HRP.

Research Clusters

HRP is comprised of four broadly defined research clusters that will engage each other through a common intellectual framework:

- State and non-state violence
- Health
- The environment
- Land and water

Intellectual Framework

A focus on four domains of human rights policy and practice will enable the different clusters to engage in a deep cross-regional and interdisciplinary dialogue:

- Advocacy and mobilization
- Policy and social analysis
- Law and implementation
- Accountability and memory

Activities

- Speaker series
- Brown bag discussions
- Workshops
- Summer graduate student fellowships
- Development of a human rights clinic
- Development of undergraduate, graduate and professional courses

Current Cluster Members

Health cluster

Araceli Alonso, Lori DiPrete Brown, James Cleary, Alta Charo, Rachel Grob, Richard Keller, Heinz Klug, Lalita du Perron, Steven Smith

Violence cluster

Jo Ellen Fair, Francine Hirsch, Alexandra Huneus, Helen Kinsella, Richard Monette, Mark Sidel, Steve Stern, Scott Straus, Aili Tripp

Land and water cluster

Samer Alatout, Christina Ewig, Harvey Jacobs, Heinz Klug, Richard Monette, Erica Simmons

Environment cluster

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