Twin Cities Campus

Human Rights M.H.R.

Global Studies Department

Graduate School

Link to a [list of faculty](#) for this program.

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- Program Type: Master's
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2018
- Length of program in credits: 45
- This program does not require summer semesters for timely completion.
- Degree: Master of Human Rights

Along with the program-specific requirements listed below, please read the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website for requirements that apply to all major fields.

The master's of human rights is a two-year interdisciplinary professional master's degree to prepare students to work in the field of human rights or to advance their knowledge and skills in the field. This degree equips graduate students with core professional and conceptual knowledge and analytical tools necessary to operate on the professional level in the field of human rights, along with the in-depth academic and professional training needed for the specific human rights area in which they practice or intend to practice. Students follow a core curriculum that includes the study of human rights norms and law, methodology, critical views of human rights, and human rights policy that will equip them with the skills needed to address the problems.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Prerequisites for Admission

The preferred undergraduate GPA for admittance to the program is 3.00.

Other requirements to be completed before admission:
Complete application will include a University of Minnesota application, personal statement, resume or C.V., transcripts, GRE scores, TOEFL scores (if applicable), at least three letters of recommendation, and an optional diversity statement.

Applicants must submit their test score(s) from the following:

- GRE

International applicants must submit score(s) from one of the following tests:

- TOEFL
  - Internet Based - Total Score: 100
  - Paper Based - Total Score: 600

Key to [test abbreviations](#)(GRE, TOEFL).

For an online application or for more information about graduate education admissions, see the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website.

Program Requirements

Plan C: Plan C requires 45 major credits and up to null credits outside the major.The is no final exam.A capstone project is required.
Capstone Project: Students will participate in a three-credit capstone seminar rather than a thesis. The capstone seminar is one of the required core courses.

This program may be completed with a minor.

Use of 4xxx courses toward program requirements is permitted under certain conditions with adviser approval.

A minimum GPA of 2.8 is required for students to remain in good standing.

At least 1 semesters must be completed before filing a Degree Program Form.

In addition to course requirements, a non-credit professional internship of 400 hours, supervised by the Human Rights Program, is required. Ideally, it will be completed during the summer after the first year.

4xxx-level courses are limited to language courses; other subjects allowed only with DGS approval.

Human Rights Core
PA 5885 - Human Rights Policy: Issues and Actors (3.0 cr)
PA 5886 - Master of Human Rights Cohort Seminar I (1.0 cr)
PA 5887 - Master of Human Rights Cohort Seminar II (1.0 cr)
Take 2 or more course(s) totaling 6 or more credit(s) from the following:
•LAW 6886 - International Human Rights Law (3.0 cr)
•GLOS 5403 - Human Rights Advocacy (3.0 cr)
•SOC 8171 - Cross-Disciplinary Perspectives in Human Rights (3.0 cr)

Professional Core
Minimum 12 credits
Quantitative
Higher-level options available for students with strong statistical background, with DGS approval.
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
•PA 5031 - Statistics for Public Affairs (4.0 cr)
•PA 5032 - Applied Regression (2.0 cr)
•PA 5033 - Multivariate Techniques (2.0 cr)
•PA 5044 - Applied Regression, Accelerated (2.0 cr)
•SOC 5811 - Social Statistics for Graduate Students (4.0 cr)
•STAT 5021 - Statistical Analysis (4.0 cr)
•STAT 5201 - Sampling Methodology in Finite Populations (3.0 cr)
•STAT 5401 - Applied Multivariate Methods (3.0 cr)
Qualitative
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
•PA 5041 - Qualitative Methods for Policy Analysts (4.0 cr)
•OLPD 5061 - Ethnographic Research Methods (3.0 cr)
•SOC 8852 - Advanced Qualitative Research Methods: Ethnographic Practicum (3.0 cr)
Management
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
•PA 5011 - Dynamics of Public Affairs Organizations (3.0 cr)
•PA 5101 - Management and Governance of Nonprofit Organizations (3.0 cr)
•PA 5151 - Organizational Perspectives on Global Development & Humanitarian Assistance (3.0 cr)
Policy and Economic Analysis
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
•PA 5002 - Introduction to Policy Analysis (1.5 cr)
•PA 5021 - Microeconomics for Policy Analysis (3.0 cr)
•PA 5012 - The Politics of Public Affairs (3.0 cr)
•PA 5801 - Global Public Policy (3.0 cr)

Capstone or Professional Paper
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
•PA 8081 - Capstone Workshop (3.0 cr)
•PA 8082 - Professional Paper-Writing Seminar (3.0 cr)
•PA 8921 - Master's: Professional Paper (Individual Option) (1.0 - 3.0 cr)

Concentration and Electives
Concentration (12 credits) plus electives to bring total credits to 45.

Concentrations: Pre-Designed
Students complete 12 credits in a pre-designed or self-designed concentration. Pre-designed concentrations are listed below. Consult the program or adviser for courses which do not appear but which may be eligible with consent of adviser.

Human Rights, Race, and Ethnicity
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
•AFRO 5866 - The Civil Rights and Black Power Movement, 1954-1984 (3.0 cr)

- AFRO 8202 - Seminar: Intellectual History of Race (3.0 cr)
- AFRO 8554 - Seminar: Gender, Race, Nation, and Policy--Perspectives from Within the African Diaspora (3.0 cr)
- PA 5002 - Introduction to Policy Analysis (1.5 cr)
- PA 5311 - Program Evaluation (3.0 cr)
- PA 5422 - Diversity and Public Policy (3.0 cr)
- PA 5421 - Racial Inequality and Public Policy (3.0 cr)
- PA 8302 - Applied Policy Analysis (4.0 cr)
- PA 8312 - Analysis of Discrimination (4.0 cr)
- PSY 8210 - Law, Race, and Social Psychology (3.0 cr)

-OR-

Human Rights, Gender, and Sexuality
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
- GWSS 5104 - Transnational Feminist Theory (3.0 cr)
- GWSS 8101 - Intellectual History of Feminism (3.0 cr)
- GWSS 8103 - Feminist Theories of Knowledge (3.0 cr)
- LAW 6827 - Women's International Human Rights (2.0 cr)
- PA 5601 - Global Survey of Gender and Public Policy (3.0 cr)
- PA 5561 - Gender and International Development (3.0 cr)
- PUBH 6675 - Women's Health (2.0 cr)

-OR-

Human Rights in the Arts and Humanities
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
- ARTS 5710 - Advanced Photography and Moving Image Projects (4.0 cr)
- ARTS 5760 - Experimental Film and Video (4.0 cr)
- ENGW 5102 - Graduate Fiction Writing (4.0 cr)
- ENGW 5106 - Graduate Literary Nonfiction Writing (4.0 cr)

-OR-

Human Rights, NGO Leadership, and Management Course
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
- PA 5101 - Management and Governance of Nonprofit Organizations (3.0 cr)
- PA 5104 - Human Resource Management for Public and Nonprofit Organizations (3.0 cr)
- PA 5108 - Board leadership development (1.0 cr)
- PA 5116 - Financing Public and Nonprofit Organizations (1.5 cr)
- PA 5123 - Philanthropy in America: History, Practice, and Trends (1.5 - 3.0 cr)
- PA 5137 - Project Management in the Public Arena (1.5 cr)
- PA 5144 - Social Entrepreneurship (3.0 cr)
- PA 5145 - Civic Participation in Public Affairs (3.0 cr)
- PA 5151 - Organizational Perspectives on Global Development & Humanitarian Assistance (3.0 cr)
- PA 5251 - Strategic Planning and Management (3.0 cr)
- PA 5311 - Program Evaluation (3.0 cr)
- PA 5405 - Public Policy Implementation (3.0 cr)
- PA 5501 - Theories and Policies of Development (3.0 cr)
- PA 5801 - Global Public Policy (3.0 cr)
- PA 5927 - Effective Grantwriting for Nonprofit Organizations (1.5 cr)

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Human Rights and Project/Policy Evaluation
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
- PA 5311 - Program Evaluation (3.0 cr)
- PA 5103 - Leadership and Change (1.5 - 3.0 cr)
- PA 5104 - Human Resource Management for Public and Nonprofit Organizations (3.0 cr)
- PA 5105 - Integrative Leadership: Leading Across Sectors to Address Grand Challenges (3.0 cr)
- PA 5145 - Civic Participation in Public Affairs (3.0 cr)
- PA 5251 - Strategic Planning and Management (3.0 cr)
- PA 5405 - Public Policy Implementation (3.0 cr)
- PUBH 6852 - Program Evaluation in Health and Mental Health Settings (2.0 cr)
- SW 8602 *{Inactive}*(2.0 cr)

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Human Rights and Development
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
- ESPM 5251 - Natural Resources in Sustainable International Development (3.0 cr)

- OLPD 5104 - Education and the Sustainable Development Goals (3.0 cr)
- OLPD 5107 - Gender, Education, and International Development (3.0 cr)
- OLPD 5121 - Educational Reform in International Context (3.0 cr)
- PA 5151 - Organizational Perspectives on Global Development & Humanitarian Assistance (3.0 cr)
- PA 5405 - Public Policy Implementation (3.0 cr)
- PA 5501 - Theories and Policies of Development (3.0 cr)
- PA 5503 - Economics of Development (3.0 cr)
- PA 5521 - Development Planning and Policy Analysis (4.0 cr)
- PA 5522 - International Development Policy, Families, and Health (3.0 cr)
- PA 5561 - Gender and International Development (3.0 cr)
- PA 5601 - Global Survey of Gender and Public Policy (3.0 cr)

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Human Rights, Conflict and International Security
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
- LAW 6027 - Law of the Sea (2.0 cr)
- LAW 6889 - Laws of War (3.0 cr)
- LAW 6918 - Rule of Law (2.0 cr)
- PA 5801 - Global Public Policy (3.0 cr)
- PA 5813 - US Foreign Policy: Issues and Institutions (3.0 cr)
- PA 5823 - Human Rights and Humanitarian Crises: Policy Challenges (3.0 cr)
- PA 8821 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- POL 5885 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- POL 5465 - Democracy and Dictatorship in Southeast Asia [GP] (3.0 cr)
- SOC 5315 - Never Again! Memory & Politics after Genocide [GP] (3.0 cr)
- GLOS 5315 - Never Again! Memory & Politics after Genocide [GP] (3.0 cr)
- SOC 5411 - Terrorist Networks & Counterterror Organizations (3.0 cr)

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Human Rights and Migration
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
- PA 5281 - Immigrants, Urban Planning and Policymaking in the U.S. (3.0 cr)
- PA 5301 - Population Methods & Issues for the United States & Global South (3.0 cr)
- PA 5451 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- PA 5452 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- PA 5801 - Global Public Policy (3.0 cr)
- LAW 6027 - Law of the Sea (2.0 cr)
- LAW 6872 - Immigration Law: Asylum, Removal, and "Crimmigration" (3.0 cr)
- CHIC 5374 - Migrant Farmworkers in the United States: Families, Work, and Advocacy [CIV] (4.0 cr)

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Human Rights: Crime, Law, and Justice
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
- LAW 6648 - International Criminal Law (3.0 cr)
- LAW 6893 *{Inactive}*(2.0 cr)
- LAW 6918 - Rule of Law (2.0 cr)
- POL 5403 - Constitutions, Democracy, and Rights: Comparative Perspectives (3.0 cr)
- POL 5492 - Law and (In)Justice in Latin America (3.0 cr)
- SOC 5104 - Crime and Human Rights (3.0 cr)
- SOC 5171 - Sociology of International Law: Human Rights & Trafficking [GP] (3.0 cr)
- SOC 5411 - Terrorist Networks & Counterterror Organizations (3.0 cr)
- SOC 5315 - Never Again! Memory & Politics after Genocide [GP] (3.0 cr)
- GLOS 5315 - Never Again! Memory & Politics after Genocide [GP] (3.0 cr)

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Human Rights and Research Methods (Qualitative and/or Quantitative)
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
- OLPD 5061 - Ethnographic Research Methods (3.0 cr)
- PA 5031 - Statistics for Public Affairs (4.0 cr)
- PA 5032 - Applied Regression (2.0 cr)
- PA 5033 - Multivariate Techniques (2.0 cr)
- PA 5041 - Qualitative Methods for Policy Analysts (4.0 cr)
- PA 5044 - Applied Regression, Accelerated (2.0 cr)
- PUBH 6803 - Conducting a Systematic Literature Review (3.0 cr)
- PUBH 6845 - Using Demographic Data for Policy Analysis (3.0 cr)

- PUBH 6810 - Survey Research Methods (3.0 cr)
- PUBH 6815 - Community-based Participatory Research (2.0 cr)
- PUBH 7250 - Designing and Conducting Focus Group Interviews (1.0 cr)
- SOC 5811 - Social Statistics for Graduate Students (4.0 cr)
- SOC 8811 - Advanced Social Statistics (4.0 cr)
- STAT 5021 - Statistical Analysis (4.0 cr)
- STAT 5201 - Sampling Methodology in Finite Populations (3.0 cr)
- STAT 5401 - Applied Multivariate Methods (3.0 cr)

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Human Rights and Area Studies (Latin America, Asia, Middle East, Africa, etc.)
The potential area studies courses offered at the University are vast. Students will work with their advisor to select at least 12 credits for an area studies concentration.
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:

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Human Rights and Public Health
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
- BTHX 5520 - Social Justice and Bioethics (3.0 cr)
- CSPH 5111 - Ways of Thinking about Health (2.0 cr)
- PA 5451 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- PUBH 6034 - Evaluation I: Concepts (3.0 cr)
- PUBH 6115 - Worker Protection Law (1.0 cr)
- PUBH 6134 - Sustainable Development and Global Public Health (2.0 cr)
- PUBH 6320 - Fundamentals of Epidemiology (3.0 cr)
- PUBH 6606 - Children's Health: Life Course and Equity Perspectives (2.0 cr)
- PUBH 6634 *{Inactive}*(2.0 cr)
- PUBH 6801 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- PUBH 6804 - Mental Health Policy (2.0 cr)

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Human Rights and Environment
Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:
- ESPM 5251 - Natural Resources in Sustainable International Development (3.0 cr)
- LAW 6215 - Environmental Law (3.0 cr)
- LAW 6400 - International Environmental Law (2.0 cr)
- LAW 7012 - CL: Environmental and Energy Law (3.0 cr)
- PA 5242 - Environmental Planning, Policy, and Decision Making (3.0 cr)
- PA 5711 - Science, Technology & Environmental Policy (3.0 cr)
- PA 5722 - Economics of Environmental Policy (3.0 cr)
- PA 5723 - Water Policy (3.0 cr)
- PA 5724 - Climate Change Policy (3.0 cr)
- PA 5752 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- PA 5721 - Energy Systems and Policy (3.0 cr)