

# **Human Rights, Human Wrongs: Challenging Poverty, Vulnerability and Social Exclusion Course Syllabus**

## Module 1: Why Does the World Need Human Rights?

- 1.1 Human Rights and Why We Need Them
- 1.2 From Economic Growth to People-Centered Development
- 1.3 The “Rise of Rights” in Development
- 1.4 Creating Human Rights
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## Module 2: International Legal Frameworks, Institutions and Development

- 2.1 Underlying Concepts of International Law
- 2.2 United Nations Institutions
- 2.3 International Law and Standards
- 2.4 Regional Systems for Human Rights
- 2.5 Social Inclusion

## Module 3: International Human Rights Frameworks

- 3.1 Special Rights for Some
- 3.2 Convention on the Rights of the Child
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- 3.5 Limitations of Existing Standards

## Module 4: Underlying Frameworks for Social Inclusion

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- 4.2 Equality of Opportunity
- 4.3 Affirmative Action
- 4.4 Autonomy as Protection
- 4.5 Law and Combatting Inequality

## Module 5: Contested Rights and the Co-option of the Rights Discourse

- 5.1 Hierarchy of Rights
- 5.2 Collective vs. Individual Rights
- 5.3 Co-option of Rights
- 5.4 Intellectual Property Rights

## Module 6: Gendered Poverty and Inequality

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- 6.2 Gender Inequality
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- 6.4 Gendered Experience of Poverty
- 6.5 Attacking Gender Inequality Within Development

#### Module 7: Gendered Rights and Violence

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- 9.1 Vulnerability and "Natural" Disasters
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#### Module 10: From Exclusion to Inclusion: Responding to Crisis and Conflict

- 10.1 Humanitarian Response to Crisis
- 10.2 "Do No Harm": The Rise of "New Humanitarianism"
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- 10.5 Responding to Crisis: Mediating for Peace

#### Module 11: New Directions: Rights and the SDGs

- 11.1 Sustainable Development and Rights
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