

HUMR4504 HUMAN RIGHTS IN PRACTICE
AVAILABLE INTERNSHIPS 2016

For the purposes of HUMR4504, there are three categories of internships:

- One, pre-arranged internships, mainly our internal NCHR internships, but also with some external partners. Here the host institution has committed to receive one (or more) of our student(s). To apply for these internships, please submit the application form posted on the course website. Please note that the uncertain budgetary situation for many of the institutions in 2016 mean that some of the internships may be cancelled. Based on current information, it seems that there will be no more than 14 pre-arranged internships in 2016. **Application deadline: Friday 29 January at 13:00!**
- Two, other internships which are available through open, public competition, but which are pre-approved in the sense that you if you obtain any of these internships, you are guaranteed to have the internships approved for the course. Please note that if an institution is missing on this list, this does not suggest any presumption that the institution will not be approved – only that we have had no previous dealing with them in this course. To apply for these internships, follow the procedures for the relevant internships. If you obtain such an internship, please contact the course coordinator at the earliest opportunity. If you don't have such an internship **confirmed** before the application deadline for the pre-arranged internships, please submit an application for the pre-arranged internships as well.
- Three, internships which are available through open, public competition or through private initiatives, but which are not pre-approved by us. You are most encouraged to find an internship with other institutions than those we have listed, but if you do, you must apply to have the internship approved for the course. If you obtain such an internship, please contact the course coordinator at the earliest opportunity. If you don't have such an internship **confirmed and approved** before the application deadline for the pre-arranged internships, please submit an application for the pre-arranged internships as well.

Students who do not obtain another internship by 1 April, will have a choice between writing an essay (see the course website for more information) or joining an ad hoc *Amicus curiae* team under the supervision of Kjetil M. Larsen and Gentian Zyberi. If you know already now

that you prefer one of these options, please send Kjetil an e-mail and refrain from submitting the application form.

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PRE-ARRANGED INTERNSHIPS

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THE NORWEGIAN CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, THE VIETNAM PROGRAMME

The Vietnam Programme was established in March 2008 as the academic component of the official human rights dialogue between Norway and Vietnam. For details, please visit <http://www.jus.uio.no/smr/english/about/programmes/vietnam/index.html>. The Vietnam programme will offer two internships, one per semester, preferably for 3 months. The intern will conduct desktop reviews, assist in organizing seminars and visits, support day to day program activities and participate in ongoing programme activities. More specific tasks will be assigned upon initiation of the internship. The intern in the spring semester will be based in Oslo, while the intern in the autumn semester may be based in Bangkok, Thailand.

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THE NORWEGIAN CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, THE INDONESIA PROGRAMME

The Indonesia programme aims at improving Indonesia's human rights compliance through education, training and research. Most activities are carried out in cooperation with Indonesian partners. For details, please visit <http://www.jus.uio.no/smr/english/about/programmes/indonesia/index.html>. The Indonesia programme will most likely offer two internships, preferably for 3 months. Traditionally, one intern is based at an Indonesian partner organization, but this is not certain in 2016. Possible tasks for the interns, to be discussed further, include human rights report writing and/or editing, participating in preparation and implementation of project activities (trainings and/or workshops on a human rights data collection project), and possibly some tasks of a more administrative nature

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THE NORWEGIAN CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, THE CHINA PROGRAMME

The overall goal of the China Programme is to promote the development, understanding and application of international human rights standards in China. The Programme works actively with stakeholders in academia, media, civil society and government and runs projects on human rights education and research, rule of law and civil society support. In addition the Programme organises seminars and briefings in Norway to strengthen Norwegian competence on human rights in China. For further information, please visit

<http://www.jus.uio.no/smr/english/about/programmes/china/index.html>. The China programme may offer two internships. In 2015, one intern was based at the China University of Political Science and Law in Beijing (CUPL), but it is not certain whether this is possible next year. Likely tasks for interns in Oslo will include organising seminars and international conferences, project planning, report writing, and participation in ongoing programme activities. If an intern will be based at CUPL, tasks will include assisting international conference and training, human rights summer school, international collaboration and other activities given by CUPL.

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THE NORWEGIAN CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, TEACHING COOPERATION WITH THE LAW SCHOOL OF YUNNAN UNIVERSITY

The China Autonomy Programme (CAP) was a thematic programme at the NCHR that ended in 2015. One of CAP's activities, for more than a decade, was to run a partnership with a number of Chinese institutions within teaching, education and research. The partnership with the Law School of Yunnan University (LSYU) continues in 2016, and this partnership requires two interns for 3 months during the spring semester. The interns will be based in Kunming, China. Their tasks will include providing teaching assistance, including papering seminars, collecting documentations when needed; conduct research on rights issues of minorities in China, documentation collection and organization; and other work tasks include preparing for guest lectures and main lectures. For further information, please visit CAP's website at <http://www.jus.uio.no/smr/english/about/programmes/cap/index.html>, or contact Maria Lundberg at a.m.c.lundberg@nchr.uio.no.

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THE NORWEGIAN RESOURCE BANK FOR DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS (NORDEM)

NORDEM is a civilian capacity provider specialised in human rights and democratisation. NORDEM's main objective is to enhance the capacity of international organisations working in these fields – such as the OSCE, the UN and the EU. NORDEM recruits, trains and deploys qualified personnel for international assignments. For more information, please visit <http://www.jus.uio.no/smr/english/about/programmes/nordem/index.html>. NORDEM will receive two interns, one each semester. The tasks of the interns may include supporting NORDEM in arranging pre-mission briefings: identifying thematic/country experts relevant for the assignment and collect relevant background information on the political/human rights situation in the country of assignment; assisting in the deployment process of personnel to election or human rights missions with the OSCE, the UN, the EU or other organisations; assisting in arranging human rights and election observation trainings or seminars; and providing general support to the NORDEM secretariat. Interns will be based in Oslo.

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UNDP OSLO GOVERNANCE CENTRE

The Oslo Governance Centre (OGC) works to position UNDP as a champion of democratic governance, both as an end in itself, and as a means to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. This is done through knowledge networking and multi-disciplinary team work, as well as through close partnerships with leading policy and research institutions in different parts of the world. The OGC was established in 2002 as a centre of excellence designed to provide support to the practical and operational work of UNDP in assisting partner countries in developing more democratic and effective forms of governance for sustainable peace and development, and it was reformed in 2015. For further information, please visit http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/ourwork/democraticgovernance/oslo_governance_centre/. OGC will receive at least one student as an intern in 2016. The intern will perform tasks to be described in specific Terms of Reference after discussion between OGC and the successful applicant.

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THE NORWEGIAN HUMAN RIGHTS FUND

The Norwegian Human Rights Fund (NHRF) is a civil society foundation working to protect and promote human rights internationally through direct support to organisations working in

the first line of defence for human rights (frontline organisations). The NHRF is today owned by a number of organisations that at the same time constitute the Board of Directors: Amnesty International Norway, Church of Norway Council on Ecumenical and International Relation, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Norwegian Confederation of Trade Unions, and the Atlas Alliance. For more information, please visit www.nhrf.no. NHRF will receive one student, preferably from April to June. The tasks will depend on the candidates but could consist of administrative support, communication tasks, fundraising support, and provide input on NHRF country and thematic strategies and work. The intern will be based in Oslo.

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FIVAS – THE ASSOCIATION OF INTERNATIONAL WATER STUDIES

FIVAS is a Norwegian “watch dog” organization with a twofold approach to water. The organization is working with the human right to water and sanitation as well as with social and environmental consequences of hydropower. The organization was established more than 25 years ago as a reaction to the adverse impacts of dam projects in Sarawak on Borneo and Norwegian involvement in the project. FIVAS has since been involved in the international struggle for the realization of access to safe water and sanitation as a human right, and are now working for sustainable water management both politically and in dialogue with private companies. The organization has a small staff of two complemented by volunteer effort. For more information, please visit www.fivas.org. FIVAS will receive one intern in the spring semester. The intern’s task may consist of case research, web article production, contributing to information activities such as seminars, opinion pieces or social media activity. Interns may attend relevant national or international conferences. Field studies could be considered.

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FOKUS – FORUM FOR WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT

FOKUS – Forum for Women and Development – is a knowledge and resource center for international women’s issues with an emphasis on the spreading of information and women-centered development cooperation. FOKUS’ primary goal is to contribute to the improvement of women’s social, economic, and political situation internationally. The organization consists of a large number of women's organizations and women's committees in political parties, trade unions, and solidarity and aid organizations. FOKUS works along the three pillars of programming, advocacy and communication. Since 2010 FOKUS has been the Norwegian National Committee for UN Women. For more information, please visit

www.fokuskvinner.no. FOKUS will receive one intern in 2016, preferably from April to June. The intern will be part of the assessment and analysis unit and the intern's tasks will include research and finding and collecting background info for ongoing assessments, write articles for our web pages, and other tasks to be discussed depending on the intern. The intern will be based in Oslo.

PRE-APPROVED INSTITUTIONS, TO BE CONTACTED ON YOUR OWN

- **INTERNATIONAL LAW AND POLICY INSTITUTE (ILPI)**
 - ILPI accepts interns throughout the year for longer or shorter stays at ILPI's premises at Majorstuen in Oslo. Please visit www.ilpi.org for more information. Contact person: Njål Høstmælingen, nh@ilpi.org.

- **OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS (OHCHR)**
 - Prestigious and popular institution for internships, with hard competition. For information, please visit <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/AboutUs/Pages/InternshipProgramme.aspx>

- **HUMAN RIGHTS WATCH**
 - Also a prestigious and popular institution for internships, with hard competition. For information, please visit <https://www.hrw.org/about/internships>

- **INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS**
 - Another prestigious internship opportunity. For information, please visit <http://www.corteidh.or.cr/index.php/en/about-us/programa-pasantias>. If you consider applying, please contact Kjetil M. Larsen for a status update on relevant correspondence between the Court and the NCHR.

- **THE NORWEGIAN HELSINKI COMMITTEE**
 - Has a tradition of accepting interns from us, even if we don't have a formal agreement with them. Please visit www.nhc.no/en for more information. Please contact Secretary-General Bjørn Engesland at engesland@nhc.no if you wish to

apply. Please note that specific qualification requirements (e.g. language skills) may apply.

- **PLAN NORWAY**

- Plan International is a child-centred community development organization which works with children, their families, communities, organizations and local governments in 50 developing countries across Africa, Asia and the Americas to promote child rights and bring about positive change. See www.plan-norge.no or www.plan-international.org for more information. Plan Norway has been a partner of us for several years, but they are now listed as “pre-approved” rather than “pre-arranged” because they are currently unable to promise capacity to receive an intern. In the past, they have preferred to receive interns in the fall semester. Please contact Katrine Vincent, katrine.vincent@plan-norge.no, to apply.

- **PUBLISH WHAT YOU PAY**

- Publish What You Pay (PWYP) Norway is the Norwegian chapter of the global Publish What You Pay network, which organizes and mobilizes over 800 civil society organizations from over 70 countries in campaigning for transparency and accountability in the payment, receipt and management of revenues from the oil, gas and mining industries, most of them from resource rich developing countries. For further information about internship opportunities, please contact ingvild.onstad.helle@pwyp.no or visit www.pwyp.no

- **SCHOLARS AT RISK**

- Scholars at Risk is an international network of institutions and individuals working to promote academic freedom and to defend the human rights of scholars worldwide, please visit <http://scholarsatrisk.nyu.edu/> for further information. The NCHR has an agreement with their secretariat concerning internship positions for our students, but there are some practical challenges relating to visas, etc., that prevents me from listing this as a pre-arranged internship. Interns will be based in New York City, USA, and will have to find their own funding. If you are interested in this option, please contact Kjetil M. Larsen in order to be put in connection with our contacts.

- **THE EUROPEAN WERGELAND CENTRE**

- The European Wergeland Centre (EWC) is a resource centre for education professionals, researchers, civil society, policymakers, parents and students. EWC was established by the Council of Europe and Norway to support member states to bridge policy, research and practice in the field of education for democratic citizenship, human rights and intercultural understanding. They have their own internship programme, where students from us have been accepted in the past. Please visit <http://www.theewc.org/content/about.ewc/vacancies/> for details.

- **NOAS – NORWEGIAN ORGANIZATION FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS**

- NOAS is an independent membership organisation working to protect the rights of asylum seekers in Norway. They receive interns on a sporadic basis, but they have received students from us in the past. Please visit www.noas.no/en for more information.

- **GENEVA FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**

- Geneva for Human Rights is a training organization that offers training activities designed to contribute to human rights implementation at the national level. For information about their internship programme, please visit http://www.gdh-ghr.org/?page_id=20130.

- **ATLAS**

- The Atlas Alliance works for the fulfillment of the human rights of persons with disabilities in poor countries and for the improvement of their living conditions. For further information about internship opportunities, please contact trine@atlas-alliansen.no or visit <http://atlas-alliansen.no/en/>.

- **NORWEGIAN CHURCH AID**

- Norwegian Church Aid struggles together with people and organisations across the world to eradicate poverty and injustice. The organization provides emergency assistance in disasters and work for long-term development in local communities. Norwegian Church Aid is an ecumenical diaconal organisation for global justice, which works to help the poorest and those in need, regardless of their creed, race,

political or religious affiliation. For more information, please visit www.nca.no.
To inquire about internships, please contact wenche.fone@nca.no.

**OTHER INTERNSHIPS, WHICH MUST BE APPROVED *AD HOC*
BY THE COURSE COORDINATOR**

Obviously, we can't provide a complete list of relevant internships in other institutions. You are most encouraged to search for internships in institutions that work within a field of particular interest to you, and we will provide you with necessary documentation if this is required.

There exist a number of online services that provide directories of available internships. Below are some examples, but please note that listing here does not constitute an endorsement from the NCHR of either the directory or the concrete internships listed.

- <http://www.globalplacement.com/>
- <http://chrgj.org/opportunities/human-rights-opportunities-board/>
- <http://www.goabroad.com/intern-abroad/search/human-rights/internships-abroad-1>