

# HOME EXAMINATION I, HUMR 5131, AUTUMN, 2015

Start: 25 September at 1300 hrs

Deadline: 6 October at 1300 hrs

## ANSWER ONE OF THE QUESTIONS PRESENTED BELOW

1) Are Human Rights Universal?

Discuss the claim “human rights are universal”. Clarify in what senses of the term it may be reasonable to claim that human rights are, or are not, universal. Present arguments pro et contra and include your own position on this question/these questions. In your discussion, also address whether some human rights can be seen as universal whereas other human rights cannot.

2) Conflicts between different Human Rights?

It is often claimed that human rights are interrelated, indivisible and mutually supportive. On the other hand there is the claim that at times they are in conflict with each other, for instance as in the case of the freedom of religion or belief v. the freedom of expression. Discuss these claims and use at least two examples of how different human rights can be mutually supportive and/or come into conflict with each other.