

HUMR 5131 – Midterm assignments – autumn 2018

Choose one of the three questions below:

1. Choose a specific human right and discuss how you can justify that right. Specify whether you discuss this right as a moral human right, a legal human right or both.
2. Write a short history of human rights in your country or a country you choose. Discuss the perspectives you apply on the concept of 'human rights' as well as of 'history of', with reference to relevant material from the reading list.
3. Do we find human rights in all cultures? It is claimed, for instance, that human rights are peculiarly 'western' or peculiarly 'modern'. In what ways can these latter claims be said to be true? Use empirical examples from the reading list or from a country (or several countries) you know well.

