

HUMR5503 - Human Rights and Counter-Terrorism: Striking a Balance?

Assignment - due December 17, 2009

Written assignment

A. Content:

Students should write an assignment not exceeding 15 pages. The assignment should explain the theme you wish to investigate, give the methodological context, indicate how you will go about to carry out the text, suggest any preliminary conclusion, and end with a bibliography.

The written paper should preferably be typed on a computer using font size 12. A line spacing of 1 1/2 is to be used.

The paper should contain:

(1) *Table of content*

(2) *Introduction.*

The introduction is to be placed in the beginning of the assignment and shall contain the following: Presentation of subject and issue/issues to be addressed (reason for choosing this subject, intention and technical/theoretical approach). A short explanation of the relevant background or context. Possible terminology clarification / definitions. Structure of the assignment (an overview of the chapters demonstrating how you plan to carry out the work and organise the text).

(3) *Methodology.*

A discussion of methodological issues that the examination question raises and how you want to address these issues, including a description of the main sources that you will use in your assignment (give an overview over applicable legal standards, procedures and sources).

(4) *Main text (body)*

This is the paragraph where you develop the arguments.

(5) *Conclusion*

(6) *Annex: Table of literature/bibliography.*

Technically the paper should be as good as possible: well organised into titles and subtitles, footnotes and references.

Footnotes should be included in the main text. The following comes in addition to the main text: the cover page (with name and title etc), summary, table of contents, bibliography.

Remember page numbering.

References:

You should list up in the table of literature all sources of law and other materials used for your assignment. The table of literature should end with the following phrase: "All material referred to in this assignment is listed in the reference list".

Example of an entry in a reference:

Cassese (2005) p.32

Example of an entry in a bibliography:

Cassese, Antonio. *International Law*. 2nd edition. Oxford, (Oxford University Press) 2005

The bibliography should be placed in alphabetical order.

The *cover page* should contain:

- a) Title of the assignment
- b) Name and code of the course
- c) Date and place for handing in the assignment
- d) Your candidate number (you will find your candidate number in the Studentweb). We kindly ask you to *not* indicate your name.

B. Submission of the assignment

Within the deadline 17 December, 2009 students should:

- a) submit 3 stapled copies of the assignment at the Information Centre, 2nd floor, Faculty of Law, before 15:00 hrs. **Papers handed in after the deadline will not be considered.** If you want to deliver your thesis at an earlier stage, or you want to hand it in via e-mail, you should send it to: b.l.kraabol@jus.uio.no. We appreciate if you could insert in the *subject line* to this e-mail the following (written in capital letters): EXAM HUMR5503.
- b) When handing in the assignment, you should at the same time hand in a declaration about cheating (this document will be given to you upon delivery of your assignment).
- c) Remember to bring your personal ID if the assignment is delivered at the Information Centre.

C. Rules about cheating and plagiarism

When you take facts, thoughts, ideas, viewpoints and short or long quotations from others and use them in your own work, the sources you have used must be clearly stated. In other words you must not give the impression that others' thoughts, ideas, viewpoints and results are your own if they are not.

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