

HUMAN RIGHTS AND DIVERSITY: LEADING CASES AND CORE DILEMMAS JUR 5508

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- Semester: Spring 2013
- *Instructors:* Maria Lundberg & Ingvill Thorson Plesner with the participation of Stener Ekern and Tore Lindholm

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LECTURE 1	Introduction to the course: Overview, theory and methods
Wednesday 23 January 10:15-12:00	<u>Required reading:</u>
Domus Academica 112 Jur.eksamens sal	Main Case: (Human Rights Committee): Lovelace v. Canada, UN Doc. ICCPR/C/13/D/24,1977 (1981)
Instructor: Maria Lundberg & Ingvill Thorson Plesner (NCHR)	Articles 18 and 27 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR)
	 ICCPR: General Comment No. 22: General Comment No. 22: The right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion (Art. 18): . 30.07.1993
	• General Comment No. 23: The rights of minorities (Art. 27) : 08.04.1994.
	.In Universal Minority Rights:
	 Hannum, Hurst, "The Concept and Definition of Minorities", pp. 49-73 (25pp).
	<u>Recommended reading:</u>
	Okin, Susan: "Introduction" in J. Cohen, M. Howard (eds) Is
	Multiculturalism Bad for Women? Princeton University Press, 1999
	Kymlicka, Will, Multicultural Citizenship: A Liberal Theory of Minority
	Rights, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1995



LECTURE 2 Monday 28 January 14:15-16:00	Group rights and the limits to autonomy Church autonomy <u>Required reading:</u>
	Required reading: Main Case: ((European Court of Human Rights): Metropolitan Church of Bessarabia and Others v. Moldova (Appl. No. 45701/99) Judgment 13 December 2001. Article 9 of the European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (ECHR) Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Intolerance and of Discrimination based on Religion or Belief (UN, 1981) Articles 1 and 2 of the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities (UN, 1992) Article 4 of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UN, 2007) Articles 18 and 27 ICCPR Durham, Cole, "The Right to Autonomy in Religious Affairs: A Comparative View" in Church Autonomy, Gerhard Robbers (ed), Peter Lang, Frankfurt 2001, pp. 683 – 714 (31pp) Christoffersen, Lisbet: "Church Autonomy in Nordic Law", Law & Religion in the 21st Century pp. 563 – 592 (29pp) Recommended reading: Kymlicka, Will, Multicultural Citizenship: A Liberal Theory of Minority Rights, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1995 Additional cases: European Court of Human Rights:
	 <i>Obst v. Germany</i> (Appl. No. 425/3) Judgment 3 September 2010 <i>Serif v. Greece</i> (Appl. No. 38178/97) Judgment 18 March 2011



LECTURE 3	Freedom of religion and belief Religion in public education
Wednesday 30 January 10:15 – 12:00 Domus Academica 112 Jur.eksamens sal Instructor:Ingvill Thorson Plesner (NCHR)	Required reading: Main case: (Human Rights Committee): Leirvåg v. Norway, UN. Doc.CCPR/C/82/D/1155/2003(2004) Article 18 ICCPR ICCPR: • General Comment No. 22: The right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion (Art. 18) Recommended reading: Kymlicka, Will, Multicultural Citizenship: A Liberal Theory of Minority Rights, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1995 Article 13 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR) • General Comment No. 13: The right to education Article 29 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC): • General Comment No. 1:The aims of education
	 <i>Folgerø and others v Norway</i>,(Appl. No. 15472/02) Grand Chamber, Judgment 29 June 2007 <i>Lautsi and others v. Italy</i>, 18 March 2011 (Appl. No. 30814/11)
LECTURE 4 Monday 4 February 14:15-16:00 Domus Academica 112 Jur.eksamens sal	Freedom of religion and belief Practice of religion in public space <u>Required reading:</u> <u>Main case (European Court of Human Rights): Leyla Sahin v. Turkey,</u> (Appl. No. 44774/98) Grand Chamber Judgment 10 November 2005



Instructors: Ingvill Thorson Plesner and Tore Lindholm (NCHR)	 Borchgreving, Tordis: "The Hijab Debate and the Liberal Dilemma" I Tidsskrift for kjønnsforskning (2) 2007, KILDEN 2007, pp. 39 – 54 (25pp) Plesner, Ingvill T.: "The European Court on Human Rights: Between Fundamentalist and Liberal Secularism" Chapter 2 , pp. 72 – 91 (19pp) in Durham, Kirkham, Scott and Torfs (eds): Islam, Europe and Emerging Legal Issues, Ashgate 2012 <i>Recommended reading:</i> Ketscher, Kirsten: "Cultural Rights and Religious Rights" in Religious Pluralism and Human Rights in Europe. Where to draw the line? Intersentia 2007, pp. 219 –237 (18pp) Gunn, Jeremy: "Religious Symbols in Public Schools: The Islamic Headscarf and the European Court on Human Rights Decision Sahin vs. Turkey" Chapter 7,pp 134-179, (45pp) in Durham, Kirkham, Scott and Torfs (eds): Islam, Europe and Emerging Legal Issues, Ashgate 2012 Okin, Susan: "Introduction" in J. Cohen, M. Howard (eds) Is Multiculturalism Bad for Women? Princeton University Press, 1999 <i>Additional cases:</i> European Court of Human Rights: Dahlab v. Switzerland, 15.02.2001 (Appl. No. 00042393/98) <i>Lautsi and others v. Italy</i> (Appl. No. 30814/11) Grand Chamber Judgment 18 March 2011
LECTURE 5	Minority and indigenous peoples' rights:
	Self-determination and effective participation
Wednesday 6 February 10:15 -12:00	SAME Folkets Dag – The Sami People's Day <u>Required reading:</u>
Domus Academica 112	Main case : (Human Rights Committee): Chief Bernard Ominayak and the



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Instructor: Maria	Article 1 and 27 ICCPR
Lundberg and Stener Ekern (NCHR)	Articles 3, 4, 18, 19 and 20 of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UN, 2007)
	Article 6 of the ILO Tribal and Indigenous Peoples Convention (ILO C 169)
	 CERD: General Recommendation No. 21: Right to self-determination: General Recommendation No.23 : Indigenous Peoples : .18.08.1997.
	ICCPR:
	 General Comment No. 12: The right to self-determination of peoples (Art.1): 13.03.1984. General Comment No. 23: The rights of minorities (Art. 27): 08.04.1994.
	The Human Rights Council
	 The Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Advice 2: Indigenous peoples and the right to participate in decision-making ,
	In Cultural Human Rights:
	 Åhren, Matthias, "Indigenous People's Cultural Rights: A Question of Properly Understanding the Notion of States and Nations?", pp. 91-118 (28pp)
	Ekern, Stener "The Production of Autonomy: Leadership and Community in Mayan Guatemala", Journal of Latin American Studies, Vol 43, Issue 1, February, 2011 (23pp)
	<u>Recommended reading:</u> Cultural Human Rights: Anna Filipa Vrdoljak, "Self-determination and cultural rights", pp.41-78
	 In Cultural Human Rights: Scheinin, Martin, "The Right of a People to Enjoy its Culture: Towards a Nordic Saami Rights Convention", pp. 151-168 (18pp)



	<i>Additional cases:</i>(Human Rights Committee): Diergardt v. Namibia, UN Doc.
	CCPR/C/69/D/760/1997 (2000)
	• Canadian Supreme Court: re Secession of Quebec [1998] 2.S.C.R. 217. Opinion on the legality of the secession of Quebec according to Canadian and international law
LECTURE 6 Monday 11 February 14:15 – 16:00 Domus Academica 112 Jur.eksamens sal Instructor: Maria Lundberg (NCHR))	 Minority and indigenous peoples' rights: Cultural rights, effective participation and natural resource exploitation <u>Required reading</u>: Main case: (Human Rights Committee): Ángela Poma Poma v.Peru, UN Doc. CCPR/C/95/D/1457/2006(2009) Article 1 and 27 ICCPR
	Articles 3, 4, 20 and 32 of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UN, 2007)
	The Human Rights Council
	 The Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Advice 4: Indigenous peoples and the right to participate in decision- making with focus on extractive industries, A/HRC/21/55, 16 August 2012
	 CESCR: General Comment No. 21: Right of everyone to take part in cultural life (art. 15, para. 1 (a), of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights) ICCPR: General Comment No. 23: The rights of minorities (Art. 27) : . 08.04.1994.
	In Universal Minority Rights:
	 Hannikainen, Lauri, "Legal Nature of Minority Rights as Part of Human Rights, Limitations, Derogations and Interpretative Statements", pp. 27-48 (22pp).
	In Universal Minority Rights:



	 Weller, Marc, "Effective Participation of Minorities in Public Life", pp. 477-516 (40pp). <u>Recommended reading:</u> Kymlicka, <i>Will, Multicultural Citizenship</i>: A <i>Liberal Theory of Minority</i> <i>Rights</i>, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1995 <i>Additional cases:</i> (Human Rights Committee): Apirana Mahuika et al. v. New Zealand, UN Doc.CCPR/C/70/D/547/1993 (2000) Ilmari Länsman et. al. v. Finland, UN Doc. CCPR/C/52/D/511/1992 (1994) Kitele v. Swadan, UN Doc. ICCPP/C/23/D/107/1085 (1988)
	• Kitok v. Sweden, UN Doc. ICCPR/C/33/D/197/1985 (1988)
LECTURE 7 Wednesday 13 February 10:15 – 12:00 Domus Academica 112 Jur.eksamens sal Instructor: Maria Lundberg (NCHR)	 Minority and indigenous peoples' rights: Culture and language rights Required reading: Main case: (Human Rights Committee): Ballentyne, Davidson and McIntyre v. Canada, UN Doc. CCPR/C/47/D/359/1989 (1993) Article 2 of the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities (UN, 1992) The Human Rights Council The Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Advice 3: Indigenous peoples' languages and cultures, A/HRC/21/53, 16 August 2012
	• De Varennes, Fernand, "Linguistic Identity and Language Rights",
	pp. 253-323(71pp). <u>Recommended reading:</u> In Language Rights and Political Theory:
	 Patten, Alan and Kymlika, Will, "Introduction: Language Rights



	 (51pp) Réaume, Denise G., "Beyond Personality: The Territorial and Personal Principles of Language Policy Reconsidered",, pp. 271-295 (25pp) Additional cases: Human Rights Committee: Ignatane v. Latvia, UN Doc. CCPR/C/72/D/884/1999 (2001) European Court of Human Rights: Podkolzina v. Latvia, (Appl. No. 46726/99) Judgment of 9 April
	 Case "relating to certain aspects of the laws on the use of language in education in Belgium"(Appl. No. 1474/62, 1677/62, 1691/62, 1769/62, 1994/63, 2126/64) Judgment 23 July 1968, Ser. A, No.6. Cyprus v. Turkey (Appl. no. 25781/94) Judgment (Grand Chamber) of 10 May 2001
LECTURE 8 Monday 25 February 14:15 – 16:00 Domus Academica 112 Jur.eksamens sal Instructor: Maria Lundberg & Ingvill Thorson Plesner (NCHR)	 Human rights and diversity –core dilemmas: Legal and ethical dilemmas in dealing with conflict between individual and collective rights Discussions and review of the case, focusing on the scope and limitations to the right to freedom of religion and belief, minority and indigenous peoples' rights <u>Recommended reading:</u> Okin, Susan: "Introduction" in J. Cohen, M. Howard (eds) Is Multiculturalism Bad for Women? Princeton University Press, 1999 Kymlicka, Will, Multicultural Citizenship: A Liberal Theory of Minority Rights, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1995



<u>LECTURE 9</u>	Human rights and diversity –core dilemmas:
	Legal and ethical dilemmas in dealing with conflict between the legitimate
Wednesday 27 February	interests of minorities and the majority
10:15 - 12:00	increases of minorities and the majority
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	Autonomous Area: Legal Rights of the Oroqen People and the
Instructor:Maria	Implementation of the Regional National Autonomy Law", International
Lundberg (NCHR)	Journal on Minority and Group Rights, Vol. 16, No. 3, 2009, pp. 349-
Lunaberg (IVCHK)	397(49pp)
	Recommended reading:
	Okin, Susan: "Introduction" in J. Cohen, M. Howard (eds) Is
	Multiculturalism Bad for Women? Princeton University Press, 1999
	Kymlicka, Will, Multicultural Citizenship: A Liberal Theory of Minority
	Rights, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1995
LECTURE 10	
Monday 11 March	Human rights and diversity – core dilemmas
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