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Course Title and Description

Innovative patterns in studying and visualising data in human rights research

The Summer School (SS) aims to provide a space for reflection and discussion to the expanding community of PhD candidates interested in human rights studies. The SS will address and test fundamental issues emerging in human rights theoretical and empirical research. The SS will engage students in a challenge-based learning path, interacting not only with an international panel of academics, but also with non-academic international stakeholders. For students, the SS may help establish cooperation links with peers from other courses on topics of common interest.

The SS will be based on a mix of lectures and seminars, project work carried out in teams and using both in-presence and virtual forms of exchange and interactions, panel discussions and feedback sessions.

The SS is articulated into 3 consecutive modules of 2 days. Each module includes:

- A key lecture and discussion, critically addressing the topic and setting the terms of reference for the following steps
- A Panel discussion with stakeholders, where theoretical issues are confronted with practical cases put forward by a challenge provider
- Teamwork: participants get organised in interdisciplinary teams tasked to respond to the challenge, also using virtual exchange platforms as a resource.

The final day is devoted to a general presentation, discussion and feedback on the projects elaborated by the teams. The proposed modules are the following:

- 1. Innovation in human rights research and practice
 - What is innovation in human rights? Key lecture and discussion.
 - Producing innovation in human rights practice. Panel discussion with challenge providers
 - Teamworking and output
- 2. Producing and analysing data in human rights studies
 - Data-driven research in human rights. Key lecture and discussion
 - Using data in human rights advocacy. Panel discussion with challenge providers
 - Teamworking and output
- 3. Visualising data and research outputs
 - Theory and methods of data visualisation and infographic design
 - Visualising human rights trends and issues. Panel discussion with challenge providers
 - Teamworking and output

Period 19/09/2022 – 24/09/2022

ETCS credits 6

Course fee N/A

Course Level Master degree course and PhD course in International Relations and Human Rights