



Elective (DCE)

MCJ-21407DCE

Course Objectives

- To train students into effectively covering Human Rights aspects and make students understand the ethical concerns while covering Human Rights issues
- To make students aware about the historical aspects of Human Rights and their evolution

Learning Outcomes

- The course shall equip students to engage in covering Human Rights issues in a professional
- Students will be proficient enough to critically analyze the role of Human Rights and media coverage.

Unit-I

Concept & Significance of Human Rights

Evolution of Human Rights

Categories of Human Rights

Emerging Human Rights Issues and challenges

Unit-II

International Human Rights Law-Salient features

Human Rights in Indian Constitution

The International Criminal Court

Theories of Human Rights: Natural Rights Theory, Legal Rights Theory, Economic Rights

Theory, Social Rights Theory, Historical Rights Theory

Unit III

Human Rights Journalism: An Introduction

Covering Human Rights: Methodological Standards

Diagnostic V/s Interpretive Style of Reporting

Human Rights Advocacy, Push & Pull Factors

Unit IV

Human Rights Violations- Print & Electronic Media

Posturing- Role of Diverse Media

Defending Human Rights –Civil Society & Non Profit Organizations

Award Winning Human Rights Stories

Suggested Readings

- *Brandt, R. B. (1979). A theory of the good and the right. Oxford: Clarendon Press.*
- *Power, S., & Allison, G. T. (2000). Realizing human rights: Moving from inspiration to impact. New York: St. Martin's Press.*
- *Griffin, J. (2015). On human rights.*
- *Ishay, M. (2009). The history of human rights: From ancient times to the globalization era.*
- *Shaw, I. S., & Selvarajah, S. (January 01, 2019). Introduction: Reporting Human Rights, Conflicts, and Peacebuilding—Critical and Global Perspectives.*
- *Beetham, D. (January 01, 1995). What Future for Economic and Social Rights?. Political Studies Oxford-, 43, 41.*
- *In Ishay, M. (2012). The human rights reader: Major political essays, speeches, and documents from ancient times to the present.*

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Total Marks: 100 (Term Examination: 80, Continuous Internal Assessment: 20)