The Human Rights Minor provides students with an opportunity to explore human rights as a critical element of our contemporary world. Courses in the minor approach human rights as a problem for humanity, policy, advocacy and humanitarian action, as well as a subject for historical, ethical, social scientific and cultural study. Students will examine moments of terrible human rights abuse: genocide, slavery, colonialism, Apartheid, and sexual and gender-based violence. They will also learn about movements to protect and promote human rights, including the elaboration of the contemporary human rights régime, efforts by international and local non-governmental human rights organizations, and artistic and literary responses to human rights challenges.

The minor is administered by the Human Rights Studies Program (https://human-rights.ucdavis.edu/).

**Program Objectives**

In addition to completing HMR 134, students must take three additional Core Courses and one course from the Elective Course list.

**Advising**

Consult the department office.

**Code**  | **Title**                      | **Units**
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HMR 134   | Human Rights                   | 4      

**Core Courses (12 Units)**

Choose three from the following: 12

- HMR/AHI 120A: Art, Architecture, & Human Rights
- HMR 130: Special Topics in Human Rights
- HMR 131: Genocide
- HMR 136: Human Rights in the Middle East
- HMR 138: Human Rights, Gender, & Sexuality
- HMR 140A: Human Rights & the Popular Imagination
- HMR 140B: Art & Politics of Memory: Truth, Justice, Reconciliation & Human Rights
- HMR/HIS 161: Human Rights in Latin America
- HMR 162Y: The History of Human Rights in Europe
- HIS 126Y: Seminar

In addition to the courses listed above, any HMR course between 100-199 will count towards the core course requirement.

See HMR 100-199 courses. (https://catalog.ucdavis.edu/courses-subject-code/hmr/)

**Human Rights Studies Subtotal** 16

**Elective Courses (4 Units)**

Choose one from the following or seek the approval of the program advisor for an unlisted course that treats a human rights related topic:

**Suggested Electives**

- AAS 180: Race & Ethnicity in Latin America
- AMS 156: Race, Culture & Society in the United States
- ANT 126A: Anthropology of Development
- HIS 115E: Slavery, Africa, & the Atlantic World
- HIS 142A: History of the Holocaust
- HIS 142B: The Memory of the Holocaust
- HIS 159: Women & Gender in Latin American History
- HIS 165: Latin American Social Revolutions
- HIS 184: History of Sexuality in America
- NAS 120: Ethnopolitics of South American Indians
- POL 124: The Politics of Global Inequality
- SOC/IRE 104: The Political Economy of International Migration

**Other Electives**

- ANT 126B: Women & Development
- ANT 130A: Cultural Dimensions of Globalization
- CHI 130: United States-Mexican Border Relations
- HIS 115D: Postcolonial Africa
- HIS 172: American Environmental History
- HIS 177B: History of Black People & American Race Relations: 1860-Present
- MSA 150/WMS 185: Women & Islamic Discourses
- NAS 180: Native American Women
- POL 126: Ethnic Self-Determination & International Conflict
- POL 142B: Comparative Development: Politics & Inequality
- POL 146B: Politics of Africa: Development in Africa
- POL 152: The Constitutional Politics of the Equality
- POL 166: Women in Politics
- POL 168: Chicano Politics
- POL 176: Racial Politics
- SOC 130: Race Relations
- SOC 160: Sociology of the Environment
- WMS 140: Gender & Law
- WMS 145: Women's Movements in Transnational Perspective
- WMS 148: Science, Gender, & Social Justice
- WMS 170: Queer Studies
- WMS 175: Gender & Experience of Race
- WMS 182: Globalization, Gender & Culture
- WMS 184: Gender in the Arab World

**Elective Courses Subtotal** 4

**Total Units** 20