



## STUDY PROGRAMME

European Interdisciplinary Studies, Natolin campus (Advanced Academic Master)

## YEAR

2019 - 2020

## COURSE TITLE

**Crimes against Humanity and International Justice**

## SEMESTER

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## COURSE PROFESSOR(S)

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## COURSE TYPE

Compact Seminar

## MAJOR(S)

EPAP, EUW, EUN, EHC

## ECTS CREDITS

No ECTS

## CONTACT HOURS

8

## INDIVIDUAL STUDY TIME

16 (suggested)

## TUTORIALS

## COEFFICIENT

Not applicable

## LANGUAGE(S)

EN

## COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Students will be able to explain the differences between these legal concepts: violations of the laws and customs of war, crimes against humanity, and genocide.
- Students will be familiar with the basic historical contexts in which crimes against humanity and genocide were invented as terms and why.
- Students will be familiar with key differences among national tribunals, ad hoc international tribunals, and the permanent International Criminal Court.
- Students will be able to discuss and debate some of the controversies elicited by international tribunals.
- Students will learn about certain key historiographic debates which will further their independent research into this topic.

## RECOMMENDED PREPARATION

Please read the texts for the first session before the start of the course.

## TEACHING METHOD(S)

Brief introductory lectures followed by student discussion.

## ASSESSMENT METHOD AND CRITERIA

Not formally assessed, though students are expected to read the assigned readings in advance of each session to promote a fruitful discussion.

## COURSE CONTENTS

This compact seminar will introduce students to the intellectual and political history of two 20th century legal concepts—"crimes against humanity" and genocide—and contrast them with an older concept, violations of the laws and customs of war. We will briefly survey various types of international tribunals and discuss some controversies they have sparked: how the courts write and rewrite history; whether they create reconciliation or animosity in the domestic societies where the crimes occurred; and whether there is a double-standard for certain countries (both East and West) that do not belong to the permanent International Criminal Court.

## COURSE MATERIALS (readings and other learning resources/tools)

Articles and chapters provided on the intranet; books from the Natolin Library. Short video and audio excerpts from trials.