

INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS

LouvainX: Louv2.01x online course - prof. Olivier De Schutter

INDICATIVE TIMELINE

The course is planned to begin on 17 February 2014, and to close on 25 April 2014. On that day, a final video will be posted in which we will draw some conclusions from the 10 weeks of the course. The timeline proposed is presented below. It is recommended to remain within the timeline, since this will facilitated your participation in forum discussions and, more generally, the interactive parts of the course. The timeline proposed takes into account the fact that section 1 is the most difficult and important in volume, and that you will need a few hours of practice to familiarize yourself with the techniques of an online course. Things shall proceed very smoothly once you'll have learned the basics of how to use the possibilities of a MOOC. With the exception of section 1, for which you may have to set aside more time, we estimate that you should be able to prepare each section within a week, over a period of about 3 hours. This is, of course, a very rough estimate, and it is an average: the speed at which you will make progress will depend on whether or not you already have some familiarity with the topic, on your fluency in English, and on your computer literacy.

When?	What happens?	What is expected from you?
17 February	Section 1 goes online	You may begin to familiarize yourself with Louv2.01x.
		The title of Section 1 (what are human rights?) is
		deceptively simply. In fact, section 1 is longer and
		more difficult than the other sections, in part because of
		the amount of readings, in part because there will be
		many new concepts for you to absorb within a limited
		timeframe. Do not underestimate the time required for
		section 1. You may have to set aside altogether 6 hours,
		over a period of two weeks, for this section.
28 February	Section 2 goes online	Prepare section 2 (when do human rights apply?)
7 March	Section 3 goes online	Prepare section 3 (when may human rights be
		restricted?)
14 March	Section 4 goes online	Prepare section 4 (when must States intervene to
		protect human rights?)
21 March	Section 5 goes online	Prepare section 5 (How much must States do to fulfil
		human rights?)
28 March	Section 6 goes online	Prepare section 6 (What is discrimination?)
4 April	Section 7 goes online	Prepare section 7 (How are human rights protected at
		domestic level?)
11 April	Section 8 goes online	Prepare section 8 (How are human rights protection at
		international level?). You have until 25 April to make
		up any delays you may have incurred in the
		preparation, and to complete the final section.
25 April	The course closes; a final	
	video is put online to	
	draw some conclusions	