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This is an intensive short course that meets on a special schedule before regular classes begin.

Advanced Topics: UN Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women

Course Number: 24 LITG 732 001

Call Number: 000112

Semester: Spring 2011

Professor: Dubravka Šimonović

Credits: 1 Classroom

Primary Basis for the Grade: Tentatively short paper; High pass, pass, low pass, fail

Prerequisites: None

Enrollment: Open

Meets the Seminar Requirement? No

Meets the Writing Requirement? No

Meets Client Counseling Requirement? No

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The course will focus on the UN Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) and the work of its 23 member expert committee. CEDAW is the principal UN treaty dealing with women's rights. It was opened for ratification in 1979, and entered into force in 1981. 186 countries have ratified the Convention, and 100 countries have ratified its Optional Protocol, which provided for individual petition. The United States signed the Convention in 1980, but has yet to ratify it. Presently, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee is holding hearings respecting CEDAW ratification, and the Obama Administration has indicated that it desires ratification.

We are honored to have Dubravka Šimonović (Croatia), a member of the CEDAW expert committee, teaching this course on the Treaty and the work of the expert committee.

MEETING TIMES:

This class will meet Monday, January 10, 2011, to Thursday, January 13 from 9:00 am to noon.

Please note that because this is a short course that meets over a short period of time, you must attend all of the classes. Do not sign up for this class if you know you will miss any of these class meetings.

The class will meet in room **100B**.

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