

Program – IHL Summer School 2022

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DAY	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
Sunday May 29 th , 2022	Participant registration	<p>13:00 – 13:30 3rd Floor FAUTEUX Hall (57 Louis-Pasteur Private) University of Ottawa</p> <p><i>Please come and confirm your registration for the course. If you are not able to do so during the first registration period, please do so Monday morning at 8:15.</i></p>
	<p>Afternoon session</p> <p><i>Basic Overview of Public International Law</i></p>	<p>Professor John Packer University of Ottawa 13:30 – 16:00 Room FTX302</p> <p><i>Mandatory introductory session for all participants.</i></p>

Monday May 30 th , 2022	OFFICIAL START of the IHL SUMMER SCHOOL!	<p>8:15 – 8:45 3rd Floor, FAUTEUX Hall (FTX) <i>Registration of the Participants.</i></p> <p>*****</p> <p>8:45 – 9:00 Room FTX302 <i>Welcome presentation and information about the course.</i></p>
	<p>Morning session</p> <p>Interactive exercise on the qualification of conflicts and their consequences</p>	<p>Professor Marco Sassòli University of Geneva (Online) 9:00 – 12:00 Room FTX302 Break (30 minutes): 10:30 Room FTX315</p> <p><i>Interactive discussion on IHL using the Report on Violations of International Humanitarian and Human Rights Law, War Crimes and Crimes against humanity committed in Ukraine since 24 February 2022 written by a Mission of experts in the framework of OSCE.</i></p>
	LUNCH BREAK	12:00 – 13:30 Free time
	<p>Afternoon session</p> <p>Introduction to International Humanitarian Law</p>	<p>Steve Tiwa Fomekong Université Laval 14:00 – 17:00 Room FTX302 Break (30 minutes): 15:30 Room FTX315</p> <p><i>This session will examine the philosophical and historical development of humanitarian law as well as its main goals notably to spare those who do not participate in hostility as well as limiting the violence to the amount necessary to achieve the aim of the conflict. It will further examine the relationship between jus ad bellum and jus in bello. This session will also examine the main sources of IHL and when, where and to whom it applies.</i></p>

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Tuesday May 31st, 2022	Morning session Combatant Status and Protection of Prisoners of War	Speaker Martine Durocher Legal Advisor, International Criminal Law & IHL 9:00 – 12:00 Room FTX302 Break (30 minutes): 10:30 Room FTX315 <i>The session will examine who is to be considered a combatant in international armed conflict as well as the notion of “direct participation in hostilities” under IHL and the protections which are afforded to those who are detained under that status. Other notions under review are the protections granted to prisoners of war and terrorism and its potential categorization under IHL.</i>
	LUNCH BREAK	12:00 — 13:30 Free time
	Afternoon session Protection of civilians, including protection of women and children	Andrew Carswell Senior Advisor, IHL and Protection of Civilian Policy, Global Affairs Canada & HRREC Fellow 13:30 – 16:30 Room FTX302 Break (30 minutes): 15:00 Room FTX315 <i>This session will examine the protection afforded to civilians under international humanitarian law. It will include a presentation of the rules that safeguard civilians against the effects of hostilities and the rules that protect civilians who fall into the hands of the enemy. Participants will consider and discuss the special IHL provisions that seek to protect women and children</i>
	HOT TOPICS Session Mandatory	Farida Deif Canada Director Human Rights Watch 17:00 – 18:30 Room FTX302 <i>Case Study: Canadians Arbitrarily Detained in Northeast Syria for Suspected Islamic State Ties</i> <i>The session will be structured as a case study of four dozen Canadians unlawfully detained in locked-desert camps and prisons for Islamic State (ISIS) suspects and their families in northeast Syria. The Canadians have been held by the Kurdish-led authorities since the fall of ISIS in March 2019 in life-threatening, deeply degrading, and often inhumane conditions. They have never been charged with a crime or brought before a judge to review the legality and necessity of their detention. The innocent, such as the children who never chose to be born or live under ISIS, have no hope of leaving without their government’s intervention. Meanwhile, any detainees potentially implicated in ISIS crimes may never face justice. We will examine the plight of these Canadians, the government’s justification for its inaction, and Canada’s international legal obligation to intervene when citizens abroad face serious abuses.</i>

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Wednesday June 1st, 2022	Morning session Means and Methods of Warfare - Conduct of Hostilities	Lieutenant-Colonel Eric Weaver Canadian Forces Military Law Centre, Canadian Armed Forces 9:00 – 12:00 Room FTX302 Break (30 minutes): 10:30 Room FTX315 <i>This session will explore what means and methods of warfare are permitted and prohibited by IHL and particularly “Hague law”. It will especially examine how and why certain tactics and weapons have been outlawed.</i>
	LUNCH BREAK	12:00 — 13:30 Free time
	Afternoon session Command Responsibility	Lieutenant-Colonel Eric Weaver Canadian Forces Military Law Centre, Canadian Armed Forces 13:30 – 15:30 Room FTX302 Break (30 minutes): 15:30 Room FTX315 <i>This session will focus on the concepts around command responsibility.</i>
	Afternoon session Ethics	Professor Alain Roussy University of Ottawa 16:00 – 17:00 Room FTX302
	Afternoon session Setting the stage for the Simulation Day Mandatory	Sophie Rondeau Canadian Red Cross, Mathilde Doucet & Thomas Roos Osons le DIH! 17:00 – 18:00 Room FTX351 <i>Review of materials and preparation for Thursday’s simulation exercise.</i>

Thursday June 2nd, 2022	Simulation Day	Sophie Rondeau Canadian Red Cross, Mathilde Doucet & Thomas Roos Osons le DIH! 8:00 – 18:00 Rooms TBC — You will be informed on the day before the simulation which room you will need to attend. Breaks will be indicated in a separate document. Meals for the day will be provided. <i>Based on a fictitious case, students will participate in different role play scenarios. Judges from uOttawa, the Canadian Red Cross and the Canadian military will play specific roles in the exercise.</i>
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Friday June 3rd, 2022	Review by students and facilitators on the simulation exercise	Sophie Rondeau Canadian Red Cross, Mathilde Doucet & Thomas Roos Osons le DIH! 9:00 – 10:00 Room FTX302 Break (30 minutes): 10:00 Room FTX315 <i>Organisers and students will share learnings, challenges and provide useful feedback to reinforce the goals of the session.</i>
	Morning session International Criminal Law	Terry Beitner Director and General Counsel, Crimes Against Humanity and War Crimes Section, Justice Canada 10:30 – 12:00 Room FTX302 <i>Canada’s War Crime Program, Crime Against Humanity Act and questions surrounding jurisdiction and investigation.</i>
	LUNCH BREAK	12:00 – 13:30 Free time
	Afternoon session International Criminal Law	Joseph Rikhof Former Senior Counsel, Crimes Against Humanity and War Crime Section, Justice Canada & Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Law, Common Law Section, University of Ottawa 13:30 – 15:30 Room FTX302 Break (30 minutes): 15:30 <i>Introduction to International Criminal Law. Review of historical developments after World War II with the Nuremberg and Tokyo trials, the experience of ad hoc tribunals such as the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, the Rome Statute and the International Criminal Court.</i>
	Closing Ceremony & Info Session for Final Exam	Sophie Rondeau Canadian Red Cross & Viviana Fernandez Human Rights Research and Education Centre, University of Ottawa 16:00 – 17:15 Room FTX302 <i>Closing ceremony and distribution of certificates. Short briefing about the final exam for for-credit participants (30 minutes max.).</i>