

Program – IHL Summer School 2016

Lunch breaks are every day from noon to 1:30 p.m.

DAY	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
Sunday May 29, 2016	Participant registration	<p>Location: 3rd floor Fauteux Hall, 57 Louis Pasteur, uOttawa. Time: 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.</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 a.m.</i></p>
	Afternoon session Basic overview of public international law	<p>Professor: John Packer, uOttawa Room: FTX 316 Time: 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.</p> <p><i>Mandatory introductory session for all participants.</i></p>
Monday May 30th, 2016	Official start of the course-week	<p>Participants registration Location: 3rd floor Fauteux Hall, 57 Louis Pasteur, uOttawa. Time: 8:15 - 8:45 a.m.</p> <p>Opening ceremony: <i>Welcome presentation and information about the course-week.</i> Room: FTX 302 Time: 8:45 - 9:00 a.m.</p>
	Morning session Introduction to International Humanitarian Law	<p>Professor: Andrea Harrison, ICRC Washington, D.C. Room: FTX 302 Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 30 mins Coffee Break: 10:30 a.m., Room FTX 315</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>
	Afternoon session Interactive exercise on the qualification of conflicts and their consequences	<p>Professor: Andrea Harrison, ICRC Washington, D.C. Room: FTX 302 Time: 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. 30 mins Coffee Break: 3:00 p.m., Room FTX 315</p> <p><i>Working in groups, participants will prepare case studies of recent armed conflicts and discuss current legal issues through an interactive discussion. The objective is to realize the difficulty and importance of the qualification of a situation as an armed conflict; armed conflicts as international or non-international and the implications of these qualifications for the legal protection of persons affected by armed conflicts.</i></p>

Tuesday May 31st, 2016	Morning session Protection of civilians, including protection of women and children	Professor: Andrew Carswell, ICRC Ottawa Room: FTX 302 Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 30 mins Coffee Break: 10:30 a.m., Room FTX 315 <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>
	Afternoon session Combatant Status and Protection of Prisoners of War	Professor: Ilario Maiolo, uOttawa Room: FTX 302 Time: 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. 30 mins Coffee Break: 3:00 p.m., Room FTX 315 <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>
Wednesday June 1st, 2016	Morning session Means and Methods of Warfare - Conduct of Hostilities	Professor: Lieutenant-Commander Kathryn Aubrey-Horvath, Canadian Armed Forces Room: FTX 302 Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 30 mins Coffee Break: 10:30 a.m., Room FTX 315 <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>
	Afternoon session Command responsibility	Professor: Lieutenant-Commander Kathryn Aubrey-Horvath, Canadian Armed Forces Room: FTX 302 Time: 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. 15 mins Coffee Break: 3:30 p.m., Room FTX 315 <i>This session will focus on the concepts around command responsibility.</i>
	Afternoon session Setting the stage for the Simulation Day	Lead facilitators: Catherine Gribbin et Sophie Rondeau, CRC Room: FTX 302 Time: 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. <i>Review of materials and preparation for the simulation exercise.</i>
	Hot topics session (evening event)	Guest Speaker: Belki Wille, Human Rights Watch Room: FTX 302 Time: 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. (Refreshments will be served.) <i>Belkis Wille was the Yemen and Kuwait researcher with Human Rights Watch for the last three and a half year and has now become the Iraq researcher. She will discuss “Current Challenges to Human Rights in Yemen and Iraq”.</i>

<p>Thursday June 2nd, 2016</p>	<p>Simulation Day</p>	<p>Lead facilitators: Catherine Gribbin and Sophie Rondeau, CRC Room: FTX 302, 351, 315(You will be informed on the day before the simulation which room you will need to attend) Time: 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Breaks will be indicated in a separately. Meals for the day will be provided.</p> <p><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></p>
<p>Friday June 3rd, 2016</p>	<p>Review of the simulation exercise</p>	<p>Evaluation and review by students and facilitators on the simulation exercise Room: FTX 302 Time: 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. 15 mins Coffee Break: 10:00 a.m., Room FTX 315</p> <p><i>Organisers and students will share learnings, challenges and provide useful feedback to reinforce the goals of the session.</i></p>
	<p>Morning session International Criminal Law</p>	<p>Professors: Joseph Rikhof and Terry Beitner, Dept. of Justice Room: FTX 302 Time: 10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.</p> <p><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></p>
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	<p>Closing ceremony and info session for final exam</p>	<p>Speakers: Catherine Gribbin, CRC, and John Packer, uOttawa Room: FTX 302 Time: 4:00 - 5:15 p.m.</p> <p><i>Closing ceremony and distribution of certificates. Short briefing about the final exam for for-credit participants (30 min max.).</i></p>