



BS (4 Years) for Affiliated Colleges

Code	Subject Title	Cr. Hrs	Semester
GS-302	Gender and Human Rights	3	V
Year	Discipline		
3	Gender Studies		

The course focuses on human rights stated by International Human Rights bodies. It critically looks into legal issues, socio-cultural construction of Pakistani society as well as Pakistan's commitments and compliance to International Human Rights Law with special reference to gender.

Course Contents

Introduction to Human Rights

- Origin
- Theories

International Development of Human Rights

- The United Nation Charter
- Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- Universal Islamic Declaration of Human Rights

Monitoring, Implementing, and Enforcing Human Rights

- The reports system
- Inter-state and Individual Complaints
- Rapporteurs and Special Investigators
- Ratifications, Declarations, and Reservation
- State Reports

Gender and Human Rights

- International Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)
- Beijing Platform for Action
- Millennium Development Goals

Gender, Law and Human Rights in Pakistan

- Fundamental Rights in the Constitution of Pakistan
- Human Rights in Pakistan: Legal Perspective
- Recent Legal Developments in Pakistan

Challenges to Human Rights in Pakistan

- Human Rights Violations and Abuses

Protection of Human Rights: State and Civil Society

- National and International Perspective

Basic Readings

- Rai, U.R (2011). **Fundamental Rights and their Enforcement**. New Delhi: PHI Learning.
 - Rhona K.M. Smith (2007). **Text book on International Human Rights**. New York: Oxford University Press.
 - Shamsi. N (2003). **Human Rights and Islam**. New Delhi: Reference Press.
 - Freeman M. (2003). **Human Rights: An Interdisciplinary Approach**. UK: Polity Press.
 - Human Rights Commission of Pakistan (2012). **State of Human Rights: Annual Report**. Lahore: HRCP
 - Anita M. Weiss (2012). **Moving Forward with the Legal Empowerment of Women in Pakistan**. New York: US Institute of Peace.
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