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Master of Laws (Criminal Law Group) LL.M. (Criminal Law Group) Semester: II

Course Code	PL02ELCR51	Title of the Course	International Humanitarian Law
Total Credits of the Course	05	Hours per Week	

Course Objectives:	The objective of IHL is to limit the suffering caused by warfare and to alleviate its effects. Its rules are the result of a delicate balance between the exigencies of warfare ("military necessity") on the one hand and the laws of humanity on the other. Humanitarian law is a sensitive matter and it suffers no tampering. It must be respected in all circumstances, for the sake of the survival of human values and, quite often, for the sheer necessity of protecting life. Each and every one of us can do something to promote greater understanding of its main goals and fundamental principles, thereby paving the way for better respect for them. Better respect for humanitarian law by all States and all parties to armed conflicts will do much to help create a more humane world. 1. Dissemination of International Humanitarian Law 2. To know about the implementation of International Humanitarian Law in the National Legal System 3. To create awareness about the enforcement mechanisms.

Course Content			
Unit	Description	Weightage*	
1.	International Movement for Humanization of Warfare Contributions of classical writers; History of the Red Cross; Geneva conventions of 1864 for Amelioration of the Condition of wounded Soldiers in Land Army, St. Petersburg Declaration, 1868. The Hague Conventions of 1899 and 1907, Geneva Conventions of 1929 and 1949 on treatment of Prisoners of war Wounded and Sick persons and Civilian Persons.	20%	
2.	International Efforts to Outlaw Slavery Slave Trade and Practices Similar to Slavery Forced Labour and Trafficking in Human Beings.	20%	
3.	United Nations and Humanitarian Law	20%	



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	The Role of ECOSOC and ILO; Crusade against discrimination in respect of employment and occupation; Racial Discrimination	
4.	International Refugees The UN Relief and Rehabilitation Administration and other International Refugee Organizations; Conventions relating to Status of Refugees and Stateless persons; Genocide Convention.	20%
5	Implementation of the Right to Self-determination Declaration on the grant of independence to colonial countries and people, humanitarian treatment of peoples living under colonial rule and trusteeships. Eliminating Discrimination Against Women Through International Co-operation	20%
	-Statutes and Judgment Analysis -Preparation of one Research Paper -Access to Legal Resources: Library and Online Data Base -Debate/Seminar/Symposium/Group Discussion -Development of writing skills	

PSDA (Professional Skill Development Activities)			
*	Statutes and Judgment Analysis		
*	Preparation of One Research Paper/Research Article		
*	Access to Legal Resources: E-Library, E-Books and E-Database		
*	Developing Comparative Analysis Skills		

Teaching- Learning Methodology	 Lecture Method Power Point Presentation(including audio/video) Group Discussion Role Play Team Exercise Case study
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Evaluation Pattern			
Sr. No.	Details of the Evaluation	Weightage (%)	
1.	Internal Written / Practical Examination (As per CBCS R.6.8.3)	20%	





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2.	Internal Continuous Assessment in the form of Practical, Viva-voce, Quizzes, Seminars, Assignments, Attendance (As per CBCS R.6.8.3)	10%
3.	University Examination	70%

Course Outcomes: Having completed this course, the learnerwill be able to

1. To identify the dynamics of non-international armed conflicts; To examine the laws regulating the conduct of hostilities during non-international armed conflicts; To review the difficulties and challenges in application of the laws and protection of victims during non-international armed conflicts.

Suggested References:				
Sr. No.	References			
1.	J.Stone - Legal Controls of International Conflicts (1959)			
2.	R.Falk -The Shimoda Case" 69 Am. J. Int. Law (1965)			
3.	T.Taylor- Nuremberg and Vietnam: An American Tragedy (1971)			
4.	C.Hosoya, N.Ando-Y.Onuma, R.Minear, The Tokyo War Crimes Trial (1986).			
5.	G.Tunkin -Theory of International Law (1974)			
6.	G.Schwarzenberger -The Law of Armed Conflicts (Vol.II)			
	Journal: 1. Indian Journal of Criminal Law 2. International Journal of Criminology and Victimology			

On-lineResources:

- 1. SWAYAM
- 2. Coursera
- 3. Manuaptra
- 4. Hein Online





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