

# HUMAN RIGHTS AND MIGRATIONS

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## 1. COURSE DESCRIPTION

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This course is an introduction to the history and trajectory of human rights, which have always also been understood as minority rights. Both the Genocide Convention and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights are answers to two World Wars and the Holocaust. One of the critical discourses of that time was the examination of the status of refugees, as theorized by Hannah Arendt. More contemporary discussions of the topic by Giorgio Agamben and Nancy Fraser point to the necessity of understanding the human dimensions of displacement and the status of refugees, which oftentimes pose a challenge to the definitions of national identity. This will be discussed in the context of recent migrations within and towards Europe.

## 2. COURSE SCHEDULE

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### **12/11, The idea of Global Citizenship (2 Cohorts)**

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Welcome, Syllabus, Format, Assignments

Appiah, Kwame Anthony. (2006) "Global citizenship." Fordham L. Rev. 75.

Appiah, Anthony (2016): "There is no such thing as western civilization." The Guardian, 11/9.

### **12/14, Session II: Mobility in a Globalized World (2 Cohorts)**

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Greenblatt, Stephen (2010): "A mobility studies manifesto." Cultural Mobility: A Manifesto. 250-253.

Kunow, R. (2011). Unavoidably side by side. Kulturelle Mobilitätsforschung: Themen-Theorien-Tendenzen, 17.

### **12/16, Session III: Precarious Identities in a Global World (2 Cohorts)**

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Arendt, Hannah. "We Refugees." Menorah Journal 31.1 (1943): 69-77.

Adorno (1966) Education After Auschwitz

### 3. GRADING

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Final average grade: final exam covering all subjects of the course program (70%) and active participation in class (30%).

### 4. BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Adorno, Theodor W. (1966): Education after Auschwitz.

Appiah, Kwame Anthony. (2006) "Global citizenship." Fordham L. Rev. 75.

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