

Course Code: MPU3333/03
Course Title: Human Rights
Advisory Prerequisite(s) Level: Nil
Credit hours: 3
Level: Low
Duration of course: 2 Semesters

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MPU3333/03 Human Rights is a 3-credit lower-level MPU course. This course is offered as an elective for all students who wish to complete their graduation requirement. This course enables the students to enhance their understanding of human rights concepts and practices at the domestic, regional and international levels. It provides the students the knowledge and understanding to discuss human rights issues and apply human rights principles to life situations. This course also provides the students with the ability to think analytically the human rights issues confronting communities and individuals in Malaysia and around the world.

Learning Outcomes

1. Explain the historical background, key features, principles and standards of human rights.
2. Discuss Malaysian law and policy towards human rights.
3. Relate the development and implementation of human rights laws and practices internationally.

Topics

1. Human Rights in History and Democracy
2. The Evolving Understanding of Rights
3. Limitations and Responsibility for Human Rights
4. Human Rights in Malaysia and Asia
5. Implementation of Human Rights

References

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