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## Spring 2016 Human Rights Courses

**New Introduction to Human Rights course and more**

Each semester, the Duke Human Rights Center@FHI compiles a list of courses related to global and local human rights issues. The courses come from a variety of disciplines, including history, genome science, economics, African and African American studies and cultural anthropology, among others. The Spring 2016 course list is now available!

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An exciting addition to the list is the new course **Introduction to Human Rights** taught by Prof. Robin Kirk. The course has two primary purposes: to define and explore the key terms, concepts, foundations and theories of human rights; and examine alternative or competing definitions of rights using a case-based approach. This approach will include critiques of human rights, including from conservatives, nationalist and non-western thinkers. This design insures that

students will see the connections between key rights ideas, like individual vs. collective rights, Western origins of rights concepts, humanitarian challenges, rights in the arts and visual culture and rights practice.

## DukeEngage: Cape Town, South Africa

Summer 2016 applications now available

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CAPE TOWN  
AND APPLY  
TODAY!

The program will take students to service sites in Cape Town and Johannesburg. Students will spend the majority of time in Cape Town, working with social agencies that are seeking to improve life in townships, documenting the history of District Six (a neighborhood bulldozed by the apartheid regime because it was a model of multi-racial democracy), and promote health and economic reform in the nation. In the course of this work, students will interact with South Africans who were victims of, and activists against, the rigid system of racial apartheid that ruled South Africa for much of the 20th Century. The program runs from May 28-July 23.



*District Six Museum*

## STAND Student Leadership Summit on Atrocity Prevention

REGISTER FOR  
THE STAND  
LEADERSHIP  
SUMMIT  
TODAY!

Register for the weekend summit in Washington, D.C.

Ready to take your genocide prevention and human rights activism to the next level, make new friends, and grow your impact? Join others on November 8th and 9th in Washington, D.C. for the Student Leadership Summit and Lobby Weekend. With informational panels, advocacy trainings, and opportunities for networking, this conference will provide students with everything they need to be an effective change-maker.

## Summer School On Transitional Justice 2016

Call for applications

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The week long course will be on the theme of "Women and Political Settlements: International, Regional and Local Approaches to Peacemaking," consisting of interactive lectures, workshops and roundtable discussions, aimed at both postgraduate students and practitioners working in the field of transitional justice and human rights.

The Transitional Justice Institute will offer two partial scholarships which will pay the cost of registration and accommodation. For partial scholarships, applicants will be expected to pay for their own travel costs. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of professional experience, academic qualifications and likely benefit to the applicant. Program applications and scholarship applications are due no later than March 4, 2016.



SUBMIT YOUR  
ESSAY OR  
PROJECT

## 2016 Koonz Human Rights Prize

Win \$500 for your human rights essay or project

Essays may take the form of analytic or critical essays, empirical research papers, term papers or personal essays on any human rights issues. Projects can be photo or video-based, theater pieces or scripts or web pages. Please include an introductory paragraph explaining the connection with human rights and specifying if the paper or project is related to a course.

## Our Right to Say: Gentrification and Durham's Future

2015-2016 series

Near the end of his life, Malcolm X pushed civil rights leaders to reframe their struggle as a campaign for human rights that included the right to self-determination. Gentrification - when market forces shift city neighborhoods into the control of the wealthy - can be examined in this light, since the voices of long-time and often poor and minority residents can be overlooked or suppressed in a push to "clean up" or renovate for wealthy, white families.



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In today's Durham, gentrification is on dramatic display as former mill villages and warehouses are replaced by pricey condos, craft beer halls and locavore restaurants. How does a human rights lens shape the way we see our changing city? Who is making the decisions that will dramatically reshape this historically black and working-class city?

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