University of Connecticut
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Committee on Curricula and Courses

Proposal to offer a new or continuing 'Special Topics' course (xx95; formerly 298).

1. Date of this proposal: March 4, 2014

2. Semester and year this xx95 course will be offered: Fall 2014

3. Department: Human Rights Institute

4. Course number and Title proposed: HRTS 3295, "International Human Rights Law"

5. Number of Credits: 3

6. Instructor: Molly Land

7. Instructor's position: Professor of Law and Human Rights

8. Has this topic been offered before? Yes If yes, when? Spring 2014

9. Is this a (x) 1st-time, ( ) 2nd-time, ( ) 3rd-time request to offer this topic?

Note: This is the first time to request offering it as a Special Topics course. It was offered in the Spring of 2014 as a Variable Topics course.

10. Short description: This course will provide an overview of the mechanisms and issues relevant to human rights lawyering. We will examine the domestic, regional, and international forums that human rights advocates use to increase respect for international human rights and consider the advantages and disadvantages of each. The course will also address the roles, activities, and obligations of corporations and non-governmental organizations in the enforcement of human rights as well as specialized topics in the field, including truth commissions, humanitarian intervention, the right to a healthy environment, and the right to health.

11. Please attach a sample/draft syllabus to first-time proposals.

12. Comments, if comment is called for:

13. Dates approved by (see Note Q): Department Curriculum Committee: 4 March 2014
Department Faculty: 4 march 2014

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