



HARVARD Kennedy School

# CARR CENTER

for Human Rights Policy

A COMMITMENT TO MAKING  
HUMAN RIGHTS PRINCIPLES  
CENTRAL TO THE FORMULATION  
OF GOOD PUBLIC POLICY

*The mission of the Carr Center, like the Kennedy School, is to train future leaders for careers in public service and to apply state-of-the-art research to the solution of public policy problems. Our research, teaching and writing are guided by a commitment to make human rights principles central to the formulation of good public policy in United States and throughout the world.*

## PROGRAMS

### The Mass Atrocity Response Operation Project ~

**Sarah Sewall, Program Director.** Seeks to enable the United States and the international community to limit or prevent mass atrocities through an integrated strategy by utilizing key relevant military concepts and planning considerations.

### The Program on Human Trafficking and Modern-Day Slavery ~

**Christina Bain, Program Director.** Attempts to expand the understanding of human trafficking in all its dimensions and develop policies to address this global affront to human dignity. This program conducts research, connects scholars and practitioners, develops best practices, and engages anti-trafficking policymakers and future public policy leaders around the world.

### The Program on State Building and Human Rights in Afghanistan and Pakistan ~

Challenges and critically examines some of the core assumptions underpinning the international intervention in Afghanistan and Pakistan. It aims to generate a more informed and nuanced debate on the international engagement in the region, in order to contribute to policies that better serve the needs of Afghans, Pakistanis, and the international community.

### The Human Rights and Social Movements Program ~

**Timothy Patrick McCarthy, Program Director.** Examines the complex relationship between human rights and social movements with a particular emphasis on how grassroots mobilizations have shaped and contested modern conceptions and practices of human rights, both in the United States and throughout the world.

### The Measurement and Human Rights Program ~

**Andrea Rossi, Program Director.** Promotes the generation and application of empirical evidence in the design of human rights policies. The MHR Program addresses the lack of a systematic usage of research methodology, data collection and analysis in the formulation of human rights policies.

### The National Security and Human Rights Program ~

**Sarah Sewall, Program Director.** Examines national security issues through the prism of human rights, weaving humanitarian concerns into the fabric of traditional security studies.

### The Afghan Students Initiative ~

Seeks to promote discussion and awareness on issues of importance to Afghanistan. The group, which is the first of its kind in the Boston area, was organized in collaboration with fellows and staff from the Carr Center's Program on State Building and Human Rights in Afghanistan and Pakistan and students from Boston area universities.

### The Kashmir Initiative ~

Brings inclusive dialogue and broader awareness around the complex issue of Kashmir. As states negotiate solutions, the voice of Kashmiris who have suffered internal conflict and human rights abuses must not be lost in the cacophony of realpolitik.

### The Latin American Initiative ~

**Leonardo Vivas, Program Director.** Examines the pressing human rights issues related to social conflicts that result from ethnic tensions, erosion in the practice of democracy, extreme poverty, and the war on drugs.

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## HUMAN RIGHTS COURSES

**\*\*IGA-304: Human Rights and International Politics** ~ Mathias Risse.  
Addresses many of the basic questions that one ought to have thought about before working towards the realization of human rights. Part I involves an interrogation of the idea of human rights, and Part II deals with questions that arise about the realization of human rights.

**\*\*IGA-324: Tools for Human Rights Practitioners** ~ Felisa Tibbitts and Charlie Clements. Presents policies and practices in the international field of human rights leading to the improvement in people's lives, with a special focus on its application in post-conflict and post-totalitarian societies and with marginalized groups.

\*\*These courses have been designed as companion courses and can be considered the core of human rights teaching at HKS. Students interested in careers in the human rights field, or otherwise interested in human rights, are strongly encouraged to take both courses.

**IGA-322: Addressing Legal and Policy Challenges of Humanitarian Action in Armed Conflict** ~ Claude Bruderlein and Charlie Clements.  
Offers graduate students a legal and policy framework for the engagement of humanitarian standards during conflict, whether from the perspective of humanitarian agencies promoting the implementation of humanitarian efforts or government carrying distinct legal obligations, but pursuing sometimes contradictory policy objectives.

**IGA-305: International Childhood, Rights & Globalization** ~ Jacqueline Bhabha. Explores the impact of globalization on different aspects of childhood and on human rights issues affecting children who cross borders.

**IGA-309: American Warfare and the Humanitarian Ethic: Law, Norms and Practice** ~ Sarah Sewall. Critically examines the conduct of modern U.S. warfare through ethical, legal, and operational analysis, including such challenges as balancing collateral damage and force protection and upholding existing norms in the face of asymmetric challenges.

**IGA-203 Human Rights and U.S. Foreign Policy** ~ Sarah Sewall.  
Explores the role of human rights in the formulation and conduct of U.S. foreign policy. Students will analyze some of the changes in the U.S. human rights rhetoric, policy, and organizational structure in recent decades, probing the links between American decision making and international and nongovernmental influences and institutions.



Faculty Director and English MP Rory Stewart, Former Executive Director and member of the National Security Council Samantha Power, and Director of the Carr Center's Mass Atrocity Response Operations Program Sara Sewall discuss "Why Human Rights Matter" at the Carr Center's 10th Anniversary.

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## HUMAN RIGHTS PIC

The Human Rights Professional Interest Council (PIC) is a student led organization at HKS committed to exploring and better understanding human rights in practice. Activities this year will include career events, writing opportunities, and monthly "HR Lab" sessions, where the PIC brings students and practitioners together to discuss and analyze specific HR issues.

**"The war to prevent genocide is not just a judicial war - it's a war that requires political leaders, requires negotiation, requires army, requires artists, filmmakers, families discussing the issues; NGOs, everyone. It's not just what the court will do but what others will do because the court is working."** ~Luis Moreno Ocampo



The Chief Prosecutor for the International Criminal Court, Luis Moreno Ocampo (left), hosted by the Carr Center's Latin American Initiative's Director, Leonardo Vivas (right).

## EVENTS AND ENGAGEMENT

The Carr Center holds regular events of interest to the HKS community. Signup for our newsletter for weekly updates on upcoming events, faculty and fellows research projects, and opportunities to get involved at the Carr Center, including:

- Human Rights & Social Movements Study Group (biweekly)
- Latin American Study Group (monthly)
- State Building and Human Rights Afghanistan and Pakistan Program's Seminar Series (biweekly)
- "Activist Studio: The Art and Politics of Human Rights" colloquium series (monthly)
- Student Liaison, Research Assistantships for Fellows and Programs, and Work Study Opportunities (periodically)
- Office Hours (Fellows, Faculty, Programs Directors)
- Advising for Policy Analysis Exercise
- Faculty, Fellows and Staff are available to discuss Summer Internship Opportunities
- Student Anti-Trafficking Policy Group (monthly)
- Global Online Conference Series: Best Practices to Combat Human Trafficking (once per semester)

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