



FONDATION RENÉ CASSIN

53rd SUMMER SCHOOL

24 June - 19 July 2024

In Strasbourg or online

UNIT 1 –
International Human Rights
Law

24 June - 5 July 2024

UNIT 2 –
International Humanitarian Law

8 July - 12 July 2024

UNIT 3 –
International Criminal Law

15 July - 19 July 2024

TAKE ADVANTAGE of a specialised training session under the guidance of **leading experts from all around the world**. A unique, tailor-made teaching, in **French or English**.

INTEREST AND TARGET AUDIENCE

This Summer School offers an in-depth study of comparative International Human Rights Law, International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law led by 50 internationally recognised experts.

Intended for anyone with an **interest in human rights** and in particular for:

- **Students, teachers and researchers**
- **Members of the legal profession**
- **National and international civil servants**
- **Members of non-governmental organisations**
- **Individuals from all professions, with an interest in human rights**

Teaching offered in a choice of two languages

IN FRENCH

OR

IN ENGLISH

A hybrid format
(face-to-face and online
teaching)
**for courses in
FRENCH only**

**Face-to-face for
ENGLISH courses**



CALENDAR SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT DATES

UNIT 1 - INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

24 JUNE - 5 JULY 2024

UNIT 2 - INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW

8 JULY - 12 JULY 2024

UNIT 3 - INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW

15 JULY - 19 JULY 2024



Benefit from the expertise of more than 50 eminent specialists and exchange with them during Masterclasses.



Meet participants of 70 different nationalities.

UNIT 1



INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

**MONDAY 24 JUNE -
FRIDAY 5 JULY 2024**

Courses, conferences and seminars led by **experts in their field**, as well as **officials from international organisations such as the United Nations and the Council of Europe**.

UNIT CONTENT

INAUGURAL CONFERENCE

FUNDAMENTAL COURSES :

- The human rights protection system of the United Nations and of its specialized agencies (5h30)
- The European human rights protection system (7h)
- The Inter-American human rights protection system (3h30)
- The African human rights protection system (3h30)

SPECIAL COURSES :

- The Arab Charter on Human Rights (3h30)
- Human rights protection in Asia (3h30)

3 MASTERLASS ON INTERNATIONAL CAREERS (face-to-face only)

RENÉ CASSIN FOUNDATION DIPLOMA (Prep seminars, face-to-face only)

A SPECIAL CONFERENCE (2h)

A CONFERENCE ON RENÉ CASSIN (1h30)

CLOSING CONFERENCE (2h)



ICRC

UNIT 2

INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW

MONDAY 8 JULY -
FRIDAY 12 JULY 2024

Courses taught by specialists from the **International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)**

UNIT CONTENT

FUNDAMENTAL COURSES

- General introduction to International Humanitarian Law
- The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC): Challenges for the ICRC and humanitarian action
- Scope of application of International Humanitarian Law (3h)
- Contemporary challenges to International Humanitarian Law (1h)
- Protection of persons and property (2h)
- Combatants and persons directly participating in hostilities (1h30)
- Protection of detainees - IAC and NIAC (1h30)
- Conduct of hostilities - Core International Humanitarian Law principles (3h)
- Obligation to "respect and ensure respect" of International Humanitarian Law - prevention, repression, reparation
- National implementation of IHL; responsibility for violations of IHL. Sanctions regime (2h)
- Examples of national implementation of IHL (1h)

INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS: Principles guiding humanitarian action (3h)



UNIT 3



INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW

**MONDAY 15 JULY -
FRIDAY 19 JULY 2024**

Members of international organisations such as **the International Criminal Court and the United Nations**, judges and eminent professors specialised in the field.

UNIT CONTENT

FUNDAMENTAL COURSES

- Sources of International Criminal Law (3h30)
- The courts of International Criminal Law (2h)
- International cooperation in criminal justice (3h30)
- International criminal procedure and the protection of human rights (1h30)
- International crimes (3h30)
- Forms of international criminal responsibility (3h30)
- National judge and International Criminal Law (3h30)
- Victims reparations (2h)

THEMATIC CONFERENCE

CLOSING CONFERENCE (2h)

REGISTRATION

Online registration only: www.iidh.org

To access the secure registration form, **you must first open an online account.**

If you encounter any difficulties, please do not hesitate to contact us: session@iidh.org

Admission requirements and procedures

Final admission will only be validated once **the registration fees have been received** in the Foundation's bank account.

Dates to remember

- ***Deadline for application for financial assistance:***

3 June 2024 at midnight French time
(GMT+1)

- ***Deadline for registration:***

19 June 2024 at midnight French time
(GMT+1)

REGISTRATION FEES

FULL TRAINING (Units 1, 2, 3) - Preferential costs

- o Face-to-face cost : 1300 euros
- o Online cost : 700 euros

UNIT 1

- *Face-to-face cost : 900 euros*
- *Online cost : 500 euros*

UNIT 2

- *Face-to-face cost : 500 euros*
- *Online cost : 300 euros*

UNIT 3

- *Face-to-face cost : 500 euros*
- *Online cost : 300 euros*

These costs include a non-refundable administration fee of 100 euros, whatever the reason for cancellation.

Thanks to a partnership with French universities, a 50% discount applies to students enrolled in a French university (on presentation of proof of enrolment).

REGISTRATION FEES

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Exceptionally, a financial assistance may be obtained to partially cover the cost of registration fees. Applications **must be made when registering on the Foundation's website.**

All requests for financial assistance must be accompanied by **all the necessary documents: résumé, copies of diplomas, a motivation letter and two letters of recommendation.**

Applications for financial assistance are examined by the Director of the Foundation and the Director of Studies. The participant will be informed by e-mail of the outcome of his/her application. No appeal is possible.

No additional financial assistance can be obtained after the committee's decision.

Due to the very limited amount of financial assistance available from the Foundation, participants are strongly advised to contact governmental and intergovernmental agencies, international organisations, academic institutions, foundations or organisations and donors that are likely to provide them with financial assistance.

TERMS OF PAYMENT

Payment must be made on **receipt of an automatic notification** sent by e-mail only.

Registration fees can only be paid by credit card or PayPal online on the Foundation's secure website.

Bank charges are the responsibility of the participant.

If you have any problems paying your registration fees online, please contact us at session@iidh.org so that we can offer you an alternative payment solution.

CERTIFIED TRAINING ORGANISATION

Since June 2022, the René Cassin Foundation has held the **QUALIOPI** label following an audit conducted by **APAVE**, a state-recognised organisation.

As a result, **the 53rd Summer School is now eligible for funding from Skills Operators (OPCO) or Compte Personnel de Formation (CPF). To use your rights, please contact your employer or consult our offer on your EDOF platform for your CPF.**



ONLINE TEACHING

- Live broadcast via the ZOOM platform.
- Timetable based on the French time zone (GMT+1).
- REPLAY available, D+2.

(For Unit 2, courses will ONLY be broadcast live)

The date of the final exam will be communicated later on and will take this delay into account.

The René Cassin Foundation declines all responsibility in the event that the participant is unable to connect remotely.

FINAL KNOWLEDGE TEST

- **Multiple-choice questionnaires (MCQs)** which cover all the topics taught during the Summer School.
- **Assessment via a digital medium;** you must bring IT equipment and/or a smartphone on the day of the test.
- **For online courses,** the test will take place remotely and will be delayed.

OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT OR A CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE



TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

TRAVEL AND VISA

We would like to draw your attention to the conditions to obtain a **short-stay Schengen visa** imposed by the consular authorities (further information is available on the France Visas website).

You should check **your eligibility** for a visa before registering to our Summer School. Due to lengthy processing, we recommend that you apply for your visa appointment as soon as possible. **We recommend that you pay your registration fees as soon as possible, so as to receive your letter of admission, which you will need for your visa application to be processed.**

The Foundation does not guarantee that your visa will be issued and cannot under any circumstances intervene in the procedure for obtaining it. All visa and travel costs are the responsibility of the participant.

In the event of cancellation due to the non-issuance of a visa, the registration fee will be refunded less the sum of 100 euros corresponding to the handling fee, on presentation of proof from the consular authorities confirming the visa refusal only. This request must be made within a reasonable time.

HEALTH/ACCIDENT INSURANCE

It is compulsory to take out personal insurance covering your health and repatriation costs for the duration of your stay in France. Under no circumstances will the Foundation cover medical or hospitalisation expenses. This insurance must be presented to the consular authorities when your visa application is examined.

TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

ACCOMMODATION

- **Accommodation in university hall of residence** is offered to participants who request it when registering online on our website.

Please note that accommodation is booked from Saturday to Saturday.

Costs (Single room with private shower room)

- 450 euros (28-night)
- 300 euros (14-night)
- 200 euros (7-night)

All rooms booked must be paid for in full and are non-refundable for any reason whatsoever.

The Foundation is not responsible for any difficulties related to accommodation conditions, which are the responsibility of the people in charge of the hall of residence.

- Each participant is also free to look for accommodation on their own by their own means.

Strasbourg Tourist Office: <https://www.visitstrasbourg.fr/>

Accommodation rental: <https://www.airbnb.fr/a/stays/Strasbourg>

TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

PAYMENT OF ACCOMMODATION COSTS

Payment for accommodation must be made at the same time as the registration fee on our website.

- By credit card or PayPal, on the Foundation's secure website <http://www.iidh.org>
- Bank charges are the responsibility of the participant.

In case of absence or non-delivery of visa, no sum paid for your accommodation will be refunded.

CATERING

Participants are responsible for their own catering costs.

PERSONALISED SUPPORT

SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The René Cassin Foundation - International Institute of Human Rights pays particular attention to welcoming people with disabilities.

The Foundation undertakes to:

- **RAISE** the awareness of the entire team (administrative and teaching staff, employees and volunteers) on issues related to the reception of a disabled person.
- **WELCOME** and take into account the requests from people with disabilities without discrimination.



DISABILITY REFERENT

Please do not hesitate to contact Ms Valérie BAUD-CANAU (session@iidh.org)

Her tasks are as follows:

- **WELCOMING, LISTENING TO AND ASSESSING** specific disability-related needs.
- **GUIDE** the disabled person to our partner AGEFIPH.
- **IMPLEMENT** adapted teaching facilities.

VENUE OF TRAINING



L'Escharpe, Université de Strasbourg,
11, rue du Maréchal Juin, 67000 Strasbourg

The teachings in French and English will take place simultaneously in two lecture theatres in the same building.

The entire Foundation team will be responsible for ensuring that the Summer School runs smoothly and will be at your disposal for any questions you may have to ensure that your training and your stay take place in the best possible conditions.



DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

The Diploma in international and comparative human rights law is open to participants **enrolled in Unit 1 (face-to-face)** who already have a thorough knowledge of international and comparative human rights law.

Candidates will have to attend **prep seminars** for the Diploma, independent of Unit 1 courses and events.

Diploma examination is also independent of the Unit 1 exam.

DIPLOMA REGULATION

ARTICLE **1** Application/Accessibility

Each candidate must submit a complete application file on site on arrival on the first day of Unit 1.

This must include:

- *Diploma registration form*
- *A curriculum vitae*
- *Any useful references (publications, proof of professional experience, letters of recommendations, etc.)*

This Diploma is completely separate from the final exam designed to verify the general knowledge acquired during Unit 1 of the Summer School.

ARTICLE **2** Timetable

The programme for prep seminars will be given to the candidates during an information meeting for the Diploma, which will take place on the first day of Unit 1, **Monday 24 June 2024.**

The Diploma tests will take place in Strasbourg during the second week of Unit 1.

DIPLOMA REGULATION

ARTICLE **3** Process

1 - A written test

A **written exercise** lasting five hours.

Candidates will be able to choose between two subjects relating to international law and comparative human rights law.

Candidates must obtain a **minimum mark of 12/20** to proceed to the second test.

2 - A practical case / Defence

A practical exercise involving the study of a **case relating to the universal or regional systems of human rights protection**: the United Nations Human Rights Committee; the Inter-American Court of Human Rights; the European Court of Human Rights; the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights.

Each candidate will have to **defend a case**, 24 hours after having drawn lots for a subject.

Candidates must obtain a **minimum mark of 12/20** to be admitted to the final test.

3 - An oral presentation

A presentation in the form of a **lecture-discussion on a subject chosen at random**. The candidate will have 2 hours of preparation time without documentation. The subject will be about international human rights protection.

To be admitted, candidates must obtain a **minimum mark of 12/20**.

ARTICLE **4** Jury

The jury for the tests is composed of highly qualified and internationally recognised personalities.

DIPLOMA REGULATION

ARTICLE 5 Exceptional conditions

Exceptionally, if a candidate does not get the required average mark, but has distinguished himself/herself in the various tests, the jury may, at its discretion and without right to appeal, award the candidate **the distinction "CUM LAUDE"**, which will give the candidate the opportunity to submit a dissertation in an attempt to obtain the Diploma.

Said dissertation must be sent to the Foundation by 31 March of the following year at the latest. The issuing of the Diploma is subject to the jury's assessment of the dissertation.

ARTICLE 6 Remedies

If a candidate fails one of the tests, he or she has the **right to appeal** within **30 days** following the publication of the results.

The appeal must take the form of a **letter**, addressed directly to **the Director of the Foundation**, and will present the elements or parts of the decision that are contested and the reasons for such a challenge.

It can be sent by e-mail (session@iidh.org) or by post to the following address: Fondation René Cassin - Institut international des droits de l'homme, 2 Allée René Cassin 67000 Strasbourg, FRANCE.

It should be remembered that if a candidate fails the Diploma, he or she may retake it as many times as he or she wishes at subsequent Summer Schools.

Diploma registration fees

150 euros (non-refundable),

not included in the registration fee for Unit 1,

to be paid on site at the beginning of the Summer School

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“Disregard and contempt for human rights have resulted in barbarous acts which have outraged the conscience of mankind”

René Cassin



If you have any additional questions, please write to the following address:

 **session@iidh.org**

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 <http://www.iidh.org>

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