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Protection of persons with disabilities in a global context 803 (DRL 803)

Qualification Postgraduate

Faculty [Faculty of Law](#)

Module credits 25.00

Programmes [LLM Disability Rights \(Coursework\)](#)

[MPhil Disability Rights \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites

Contact time 30 contact hours per semester

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

The module focuses on principles and processes of international human rights law at the global level relevant to persons with disabilities. The topics covered include:

- Relevant international human rights law principles, concepts and current issues relevant to persons with disabilities
- Disability as a social construct and basic concepts of disability rights
- Historical trajectory of the protection of the rights of persons with disabilities at the global level
- Relevance of sources of international law to disability rights
- Development of soft law and treaty law for the protection of the rights of persons with disabilities prior to the CRPD
- Substantive and procedural protection of the rights of persons with disabilities under the CRPD and its Optional Protocol
- Monitoring requirements under the CRPD
- Selected United Nation jurisprudence on disability rights

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