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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
NQF Level	09
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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