

PAF 350/450/POL380 Leadership in the Law of War, Conflict Resolution & Human Rights

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I. COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course will focus on leadership in addressing some of the most difficult cultural, economic and social problems we face. It will give students an exposure to why and where some remarkable individuals devoted their lives to secure minimum standards for protecting human rights, ameliorating the effects of modern war and developing responses to reduce conflict. In addition to focusing on individual leadership, we will visit and study the work of some of the institutions created to address the need for organized humanitarian assistance, for definitions of international law and for alternatives to the political structures that facilitate conflict and human rights abuse. This course will utilize the unique opportunity provided by Alma's Spring Term to immerse students in the reasons for and implementation of international standards to protect human rights, especially related to conflict. It is important to understand we are addressing topics which may seem distinct but by the end of the course should be seen as intimately linked: human rights, conflict regulation and reduction and alternative political-economic models. One simple link is that the bloodiest wars in recent centuries have had human rights as a prime cause – the American and French Revolutions and the U.S. Civil War are good examples. Globalization beginning with Columbus and European colonialism and its legacy has provided both unprecedented opportunities for cultural interaction and conflict while produced some remarkable leaders seeking reconciliation.

To understand the leadership cases and institutions and models they created, after an intense week of reading and study in Alma, we will also visit a variety of sites and institutions in Europe, including:

- A. Places linked to historic steps in the definition of human rights and international law - the Colegio de San Gregorio in Valladolid and the Red Cross in Geneva;
- B. Sites of horrific developments in warfare and human rights abuse that must be encountered to understand future rule making efforts - Guernica; Oradour-sur-Glane, Verdun, Nürnberg, Dachau, and Marzabotto;
- C. International institutions and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) created to address concerns we are studying - the International Labor Organization, and International Organization for Migration, the World Council of Churches, Jesuit Refugee Service, and Médecins Sans Frontières;
- D. Sites where individual leaders exemplified forms of resistance to violations of international standards - Le Chambon-sur-Lignon, the Nürnberg Trial Court, the White Rose (and related sites in Munich) and the cooperative sites around Mondragon and Incisa.

The course will **not** end with our tour; but with several days of intense writing in Marzabotto to produce concrete plans for work at Alma College and beyond that repays the many people who share their time and talent with us and also respects the legacy of those who suffered and, in some cases, won important victories in the effort to control the worst features of modernization.

II. QUESTIONS: If you have any questions while we are on campus that cannot be addressed during class, please make an appointment during class, come to my office or leave a message at x7203 [office] or 463-6170 [home.]

III. BOOKS AND OTHER INFORMATION SOURCES: There is one text and a number of additional readings from various sources. As we continue through the course, especially our visit to the border, there will be other sources than those identified here. The texts is: Michael Haas, *International Human Rights: A Comprehensive Introduction* (New York: Routledge, 2008). We also should buy a copy of Annemarie Kidder, *Ultimate Price: Testimonies of Christians Who Resisted the Third Reich* (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2012). Also, we all will receive a copy of Jean-Claude Carrière and Ronald Nelson, *The Controversy of Valladolid* (NY: Dramatists Play Service, 2005), which we will read while at the Colegio de San Gregorio [during our visit to Valladolid].

We will use parts of a number of works about specific sites we will visit, historic leaders in defining human rights and the need for institutional change to reduce conflict. In order to be familiar with all of these works, we will share primary responsibility for reading them before our visit. These sources are listed in the order we will visit related sites. They are:

- a. Baleran Bakaikoa and Eneka Albizu, ed., *Basque Cooperativism* (Reno: Center for Basque Studies, University of Nevada, 2011), a collection of essays on the culture, history and economics of Basque cooperatives, especially Mondragon [**Roger's book**];
- b. Renée C. Fox, *Doctors Without Borders: Humanitarian Quests, Impossible Dreams of Médecins Sans Frontières* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2014), a review of the history and special version of humanitarianism that marks MSF [**Amanda's book**];
- c. Philip P. Hallie, *Lest Innocent Blood Be Shed: The Story of Le Chambon and How Goodness Happened There* (New York: Harper and Row, 1994) a book written about the altruism of the town that sheltered thousands of Jewish refugees during World War II [**Megan 2.0's book**];
- d. Lewis Hanke, *All Mankind is One: A Study of the Disputation between Bartolomé de Las Casas and Juan Ginés de Sepúlveda on the Religious and Intellectual Capacity of the American Indians* (DeKalb, IL: Northern Illinois Univ. Press, 1974), an account of the "Great Debate" at Valladolid, Spain on the humanity of Indians [**Bergen's book**];
- e. Douglas W. Hawes, *Oradour - The Final Verdict: The Anatomy and Aftermath of a Massacre* (Bloomington, IN: Author-House, 2007), a history of Oradour, and the trial of the soldiers who killed the entire population [**Jessica's book**];
- f. Stephen Hopgood, *The Endtimes of Human Rights* (New York: Cornell University press, 2013), a controversial critique of the corruption of the human rights movement since the 1970s, especially critical of the ICC (see k., below) which must be addressed if humanitarian

protections are to work to protect the vulnerable from the worst forms of modern violence and abuse [**Taylor's book**];

- g. Edward Lorenz, *Defining Global Justice: The History of U.S. International Labor Standards Policy* (Notre Dame, IN: Univ. of Notre Dame Press, 2001), a great book (just kidding) about the U.S. and the International Labor Organization, especially focused on the two Americans who headed the ILO, John Winant and David Morse [**Lauren's book**];
- h. Russell Martin, *Picasso's War: The Destruction of Guernica and the Masterpiece that Changed the World* (New York: Plume, 2003), a book about Picasso's response to the 1937 bombing of Guernica [**note one of 2 books authored y someone named Martin – Samantha's book**];
- i. Susan F. Martin, *International Migration: Evolving Trends from the Early 20th Century to the Present* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2014), a thorough study of changes in government responses to migration since the 19th century, including an informative chapter on the ILO and IOM, which we will visit [**note one of 2 books authored y someone named Martin; Marianna's book**];
- j. Ian Ousby, *The Road to Verdun: World War I's Most Momentous Battle and the Folly of Nationalism* (New York: Doubleday, 2002), a good summary of the battle that shocked the early 20th century by its ferociousness [**Danielle's book**];
- k. Allan A Ryan, Jr., *Klaus Barbie & the United States Government: The Report, with Bergen's book* [Documentary Appendix, to the Attorney General of the United States (Frederick, MD: University Publications of America, 1984), a description of the U.S. role in sheltering the "butcher of Lyon" [**Seth's book**]; and
- l. Kathryn Sikkink, *The Justice Cascade: How Human Rights Prosecutions Are Changing World Politics* (New York: W.W. Norton, 2011), a review of how the movement begun at Nüremberg, has blossomed into the ICC and other courts (see i., above) , especially because of the role of Latin American lawyers [**Megan 1.0's book**]

All readings listed in the schedule of classes should be completed before a given class meets. Students should maintain a three ring binder with copies of all handouts. In addition to the readings, we will have group showings of several films related to the places, people and events we will use as our case studies. All films are designed to increase our sensitivity to the people and needs of the places and institutions we will visit.

IV. ASSESSMENT OF ACHIEVEMENT:

Progress through this course will be assessed in three stages. The philosophy behind the course is called mastery learning. That is, every student should master all material in each stage before moving to the next and should master all course objectives before completing the course. During the

first stage, there will be assessments, which will be like standard tests. Students will take these tests as often as necessary until all work is known. At the end of the first week there also will be a written report due on the special focus of your reading.

The second stage of the course, will be the travel component, during which time, students will **assemble a journal, including a daily written/word processed reflection on experiences, and save any handouts and other documents collected during each day's visit.**

The last stage of the course, the focus of our time in Marzabotto (a beautiful and peaceful town in 2015 but site of one of the Nazi massacres during World War II), will be production of a concrete proposal for new or renewed programming at Alma and beyond, supported by evidence, of a response to what we have observed and learned. Perhaps you will propose to develop an equivalent to the December 2011 Universal Human Rights Conference, the results of which were recently published as *Montesinos' Legacy: Defining and Defending Human Rights for Five Hundred Years* (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2014). Perhaps you will want to promote cooperative enterprises, especially in Michigan, a project begun by some 2013 students and supported by our hosts in Incisa. Perhaps you want to launch a project related to immigration and/ or *Médecins Sans Frontières*.

V. CLASS SCHEDULE:

PAF 350 or 450/POL 380 is a full-time activity during Spring term. **Nothing can take precedence over this class!** If we need to meet at an unscheduled time to get a task completed, we must be in class. Tell friends about this priority before you schedule any social activities. The schedule below is simply an indication of when we hope to cover material. It may be changed at any time to fit our needs.

DATE	ACTIVITY AND READINGS [NOTE – Dates and sites are tentative]
April 26 6:00 p.m.	Dinner at Lorenz home, 610 Woodworth, Alma, MI
April 27 10:00 a.m.	Introductory Class – SAC 308 Haas, pp. 1-64; Hanke, pp. 3-34; and Samuel Moyn, “The First Historian of Human Rights,” <i>American Historical Review</i> , 116 (Feb. 2011): 58-79. Report by Bergen on Hanke.
April 27 1:30 p.m.	Showing of <i>Tambien la Lluvia</i> <u>in SAC 113</u>
April 28 10:00 a.m.	The International Organization Movement Haas, pp. 64-99 and pp. 188-232; Ousby, pp. 1-36; <u>Susan</u> Martin, pp. 1-25; 278-292. Reports by Danialle on Ousby and Marianna on <u>Susan</u> Martin.

April 28
2:00 p.m. Civil and Political Rights - **Assessment Test 1**
Haas, pp. 100-114.

3:00 p.m. **Showing of *Miracle at St. Anna***

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April 29
10:00 a.m. Crimes Against Humanity and the Rules of War
Haas, pp. 142-187; Hawes, pp. 47-76; **Russell** Martin, pp. 1-43.
Reports by Jessica on Hawes and Sam on Russell Martin

April 29
2:00 p.m. International Courts
Hopgood, pp. 1-46, 166-184; Sikkink, pp. 1-30, 60-86.
Reports by Taylor on Hopgood and Megan 1.0 on Sikkink.

7:00 p.m. Showing of *Sophie Scholl: The Final Days* in SAC 113.

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April 30
9:30 a.m. Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights - **Assessment Test 2**
Lorenz, pp. 1-9, 39-74; Bakaikoa, pp. 7-34; Fox, pp. 1-40; and
Praszkiar & Bartoli (hand out); Masters & Uelmen, 13-36 (hand out)
[Skim - Haas, pp. 115-141]
**Reports by Lauren on Lorenz, Roger on Bakaikoa, and Amanda
on Fox.**
Respectful attire because of guest

12:15 p.m. Lunch with Rev. Annemarie Kidder in the **Heather Room**

April 30
1:30 p.m. Resisting State Violence
Hallie, pp. xiii-12; 45-73; Kidder, pp. 81-103, 149-177.

3:30 p.m., **Report on Hallie by Megan 2.0 and showing *Weapons of the Spirit***

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May 1
10:00 a.m. American Approaches to Human Rights
Haas, pp. 233-268; Ryan, pp. 1-27; *Hoffman Plastic
Compounds v. NLRB* and *Kiobel v. Royal Dutch* (hand outs);
Report by Seth on Ryan.

1:30 p.m. **Assessment Test 3 and Written Reports on YOUR Book Due**

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Mon. May 4: Leave from Windsor, Ontario (YQG) 4:25 p.m. on Air Canada 7756 for
Toronto, arriving 5:26 p.m.
Depart Toronto (YYZ) on Lufthansa 471 for Frankfurt, Germany arriving
8:15 on Tuesday, May 5.
**Must be at Windsor Airport by 2:00 p.m. – wait for group – do
NOT check in!**

- Tues., May 5: Arrive Frankfurt at 8:15 on Lufthansa 471 from Toronto
 Depart Frankfurt (FRA) at 9:20 on Lufthansa 1112 for Madrid, arriving 11:55.
 Check into Hotel Mediodia, Plaza del Emperador Carlos V, 8
 28012 Madrid, Spain Phone: +34915273060 **Breakfast included.**
Visit Prado
- Wed., May 6: Visit Museo Reina Sofia. Depart Madrid 11:30; arrive Valladolid at 12:35.
 Visit Colegio de San Gregorio. Spend night at Hotel Sercotel Felipe IV,
 Gamazo 16. Phone +34983307000. **Breakfast may be included.**
- Thurs. May 7 Leave Valladolid 11:54; arrive Vitoria 14:44; depart 16:30 by cars for
 Hotel Santuario de Arantzazu, Arantzazu Auzos, 8, 20560 Arantzazu.
 Phone: +34 943-781313 **Breakfast IS included.**
- Fri., May 8 Visit Guernika Peace Museum and Basque Assembly Hall;
 Depart San Sebastian 16:45 for Hendaye on Euskotren, arrive 17:22
 Depart Hendaye (France) 17:45 for Bordeaux, arriving 20:09.
 Spend night at Ibis Gare Saint Jean, 20 Rue Eugene Le Roy, 33800
 Bordeaux, France; Phone: +33892700239. **Breakfast NOT included.**
- Sat., May 9 Rent cars and drive to Oradour-sur Glane. Spend night at Inter-Hotel, Le
 Boeuf Rouge, 57 Boulevard Victor Hugo, Saint Junien, France. **Breakfast
may be included**
Respectful Attire – Oradour is a Shrine
- Sun., May 10 **Mother’s Day** [but not here in France]
 Depart Oradour by car for Chambon-sur-Lignon; spend the night at Hôtel-
 Restaurant du Velay, Le Carrefour, 43400 Le Chambon sur Lignon
First dinner is included not breakfast.
- Mon. May 11 Visit Chambon-sur-Lignon, spend the night at Hôtel - Restaurant du
 Velay, Le Carrefour, 43400 Le Chambon sur Lignon, **Breakfast *NOT***
Included: Respectful attire.
- Tues., May 12 Depart Chambon-sur-Lignon by car for St. Etienne; Depart St.
 Etienne-Châteaucreux for Geneva (via Lyon-Part Dieu) 10:50, arrive
 14:27 – quick check-in to get to IOM.
 15:30 visit International Organization for Migration (IOM).
Professional attire in Geneva.
 Spend the night at Ibis Geneve Centre Gare, 10 Rue Voltaire, Geneve,
 Switzerland; phone 41-22-3382020 **Breakfast *NOT* included**

- Wed. May 13 10:00 - Visit World Council of Churches
 13:30 - International Labor Organization
Professional attire.
 Spend the night at Ibis Geneve Centre Gare, 10 Rue Voltaire, Geneve,
 Switzerland; phone 41-22-3382020; *Breakfast NOT included*
- Thurs. **May 14** **10:00** - Visit Jesuit Refugee Service
 16:00 - Red Cross.
Professional attire
 Spend the night at Ibis Geneve Centre Gare, 10 Rue Voltaire, Geneve,
 Switzerland; phone 41-22-3382020; *Breakfast NOT included*
- Fri., May 15: 10:00 - Check out of Hotel and store luggage
 11:00 - Emmanuel Tronc, Humanitarian Advocacy & Representation
 Coordinator, Médecins sans Frontières;
Professional attire
 Depart Geneve 13:18 for Verdun, arriving 21:14; spend night at Hôtel St.
 Paul, 9 avenue Garibaldi, Phone: +33329860546. *Breakfast NOT
 included.*
- Sat. May 16 Visit Centre Mondial de la Paix and tour WW I battlefield and cemetery;
Respectful attire:
 Spend night at Hôtel St. Paul, 9 avenue Garibaldi, Phone: +33329860546.
Breakfast NOT included.
- Sun. May 17 Depart Verdun 10:47 for Nürnberg arriving 19:59. Spend the night at
 Nuremberg, A&O Hostel & Hotel, Bahnhofstr. 13-15. Phone: +49 911 30
 91 68-44 00. *Breakfast IS included.*
- Mon. May 18 9:30 - Dokumentationzentrum and Memorium Nürnberger Prozesse;
Respectful attire
 Depart Nuremberg at 18:02 for Munich, arriving 19:11, spend night at
 Wombats City Hostel, Senefelderstrasse 1, Munich; phone +49 89
 59989180, *Breakfast NOT included.*
- Tue. May 19 Visit Dachau, White Rose memorial, and Rupert Mayer shrine and
 16:00 - Munich Nazi Documentation Centre;
Respectful attire – Dachau and White Rose sites are shrines.
 Spend night at Wombats City Hostel, Senefelderstrasse 1, Munich; phone
 +49 89 59989180, *Breakfast NOT included.*
- Wed. May 20 Depart Munich 9:38 for Incisa, Italy, arriving 18:52, spend night at Euro
 Apartments, Luppiano, Italy.

- Thus. May 21 Visit Sophia University and the School of Civil Economy, Incisa in Val d'Arno; **Respectful attire**
Spend night at Euro Apartments, Luppiano, Italy.
- Fri. May 22 Visit Community of Loppiano and Loppiano Cooperative in Incisa Val d'Arno; **Respectful attire**
Spend night at Euro Apartments, Luppiano, Italy; Phone: 055 8330400.
- Sat. May 23 Depart Incisa 11:53 for Monzano-Vado, arriving 14:13; spend night at Chiesaignano Agroturismo, via allocco 37, 40043 Marzabotto, Italy; phone +3420903590,
- Sun., May 24 Field trip to Spt. 29, 1944 massacre site; spend night at Chiesaignano Agroturismo, via allocco 37, 40043 Marzabotto, Italy; phone +3420903590
- Mon. May 25 Final papers prepared; spend night at Chiesaignano Agroturismo, via allocco 37, 40043 Marzabotto, Italy; phone +3420903590
- Tues., May 26 Depart Monzuno-Vado 10:20 for Bologna Centrale and shuttle to Marconi Airport (for those returning directly home); Lufthansa 285 departs Bologna 14:40 for Frankfurt arriving 16:10; Air Canada 877 departs Frankfurt 17:15 arriving Toronto 7:30 p.m.; Air Canada 7761 departs 11:30 p.m. arrives Windsor 12:56 a.m. on Wednesday, May 27.
- 2015-16** Implementation of project(s) – Controlling the Crime of Aggression, Protecting Migrants and/or Building a Cooperative Economy **OR ?**

Attire guidelines:

- 1. Professional attire: means interview level clothing, jackets and ties for guys; women should have professional tops, and either pants or non-revealing skirts or dresses.**
- 2. Respectful attire: former concentration camps, the ruins at Oradour and its cemetery; Verdun and its cemetery, and churches are shrines at which no shorts, T-shirts or any tops with inappropriate logos or lettering and no 'revealing' clothing should be worn. Good walking shoes are a must and not sandals.**

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