



JOINT FACULTIES OF HUMANITIES AND THEOLOGY

Human Rights Studies

Pre-Summer information Human Rights Studies, Lund University

Dear student

We are looking forward to meet you this fall but until we do, I would like to share some information before summer, in hope that it will help you prepare for the coming semester.

Summer at Human Rights Studies

During summer, Human Rights Studies is closed. However, I will be available via email up until 27th of June and from 4th of August. Should you have questions, don't hesitate to contact me. Email: kristina.robertsson@mrs.lu.se

Before you arrive

I would like to start with mentioning the **Goin' Connect app**. You can use this app to connect to other students admitted to the master's programme. A link has been sent in a letter from Lund University. If you haven't received an invitation link, please contact Lund University using the contact form at the "before you arrive" webpage.

If you haven't already please check the [before you arrive](#) pages. Here you'll find information about housing, applying for resident permit (if applicable), insurance, questions about your degree diploma and more. **Arrival Day** will take place August 19 and **Orientation weeks** 19 – 31 August 2025 more information on the [your arrival in Lund](#) pages. You should have gotten a link to the Orientation Weeks programme, if you haven't check the information on the Orientation weeks [page](#).

Should you have general questions about arriving, housing, the university and so on, you can always turn to our [International Desk](#) they are open all summer Thursday to Tuesday, opening hours on their page.

Should you have questions about **student resident permit**, contact Lund University's Migration Coordinators studentmigration@global.lu.se

If something happens

Sometimes life takes new turns and plans change. Should your plans change and keep you from starting the programme, please go to University Admissions and withdraw from the programme. This could make it possible for someone else to start instead.

Schedule and literature

During the first semester, you will take two courses, "Human Rights in the Global World: Agents, Indicators and institutions" and "Human Rights in the History of Politics and Philosophy". You can find, schedule (will be published June 19) and literature by visiting the course webpage

Human Rights in the Global World <https://www.ht.lu.se/en/course/MRSM12>

History of Politics and Philosophy <https://www.ht.lu.se/en/course/MRSM11>

Please don't be alarmed if you see the text **NB! The course is not given this semester**. This is because the spring semester is still ongoing.

Here's the **schedule for the first week September 1 to September 5**, when you'll meet teachers and staff as well as attend your first lectures and seminars.

September 1	10.15am	Introduction with Tina, LUX (our building) room B240
	3.15pm	First lecture with Malin Arvidsson, LUX room B240

September 3 8.15am Lecture with Malin Arvidsson, LUX, room B352

September 5 10.15am Seminar group 1 with Malin Arvidsson, LUX, room C213

1.15pm Seminar group 2 with Malin Arvidsson, LUX, room A127

3.15pm Meet the Staff, followed by a Student & Staff Mingle

September 8 (second week), there is a library session with our subject librarian at 11.15am, LUX, room C337.

In August, I will send out the invitation for the Student & Staff Mingle where you will meet most of our staff. In the meantime, here's a short presentation of your first semester teachers.

First semester lecturers



Malin Arvidsson, senior lecturer

My background is in History. I've explored the dilemmas that arise with reparations for past injustices. Tracing the process leading up to the enactment of two temporary Swedish laws on economic compensation for victims of involuntary sterilization and neglect and abuse in foster homes and orphanages. Since 2021, I am part of the cross-disciplinary project "Truth and Reconciliation in the Nordic countries". I will be teaching *Human Rights in the Global World*.



Olof Beckman, senior lecturer

I have a law degree and my doctoral thesis was in public international law. My research is in legal system conflicts, earlier I've focused my research on the use of military force in relations to human rights and human rights and water issues. My ongoing research is about international criminal law as an institution for the protection of human rights. I will be teaching *Human Rights in the Global World*.



Miia Halme-Tuomisaari, senior lecturer

I have a background in social anthropology and critical international law. I research diverse aspects of the post-world war II human rights phenomenon, including how the conception of human rights has expanded and spread. Previously I've done ethnographic fieldwork at the UN Human Rights Committee and my current interests explore the intersection of human rights, climate change and sustainability. I will be teaching *Human Rights in the History of Politics and Philosophy*.

In August, you will receive more information from me on how to register and more. You can also visit Lund University [New Students](https://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/en/).

Have a great summer!

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