

Course: ENG-223, Human Rights and Citizenship

Credit Hours: 3

Level: 4th Semester

Course Introduction

This particular course deals with good citizenship values and human rights components. Although the course does not strictly or necessarily fall under the category of English curriculum and syllabi, the contents/ topics designed for this course must be studied and used by the teachers of English language and literature to offer a comparative study with the textbooks they use for their classes.

Course Objectives

- To promote human values, in particular religious tolerance for others
- To promote HR, in particular those of the minorities and ethnic groups
- To relate human progress through a sense of diversity, good citizenship & tolerance for social harmony.

S. No	Course Learning Outcomes	Bloom Taxonomy
CLO 1	To develop sensitivity towards cultural diversity through a critical study of the selected works and involve them on a personal and emotional level by relating the stories with their own experiences	C3 (Apply)
CLO 2	To understand basic concepts regarding human rights and citizenship	C2 (Understand)

Course Contents

S. No	Weekly Course Distribution
Week 1	• What is Human Rights (HR)?
Week 2	• Evolution of the Concept of HR
Week 3	• Four Fundamentals in HR: freedom, equality, justice, and human dignity
Week 4	• Universal Declaration of HR
Week 5	• Three Key Principles in HR: inalienability, indivisibility and

	universality
Week 6	● Are HR Universal? (debate/ discussion etc.)
Week 7	● Human Rights Organizations
Week 8	● Class Discussion on Above Topics
Week 9	Mid Term
Week 10	● HR in South Asia: Issues
Week 11	● HR in South Asia: Issues (Class Discussion)
Week 12	● Rights of Women
Week 13	● Rights of Children (debate/ discussion on child labour, etc.)
Week 14	● Rights of Minorities
Week 15	● Media and Human Rights
Week 16	● Human Rights Issues in Pakistan
Week 17	Students' Presentations
Week 18	End Term Exam

Recommended Readings

- Dean, B. Joldoshalieva, R. & Sayani, F. (2006). *Creating a Better World*. Karachi, Pakistan: Aga Khan University, Institute for Educational Development.
- Ed. Williams, Isabel. (2008). *Teaching Human Rights through English Education*. Karachi: Oxford University Press.