

# Program – IHL Summer School 2023

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DAY	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
Sunday May 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Participant registration	<p><b>13:00 – 13:30   3<sup>rd</sup> Floor</b>  <b>FAUTEUX Hall (57 Louis-Pasteur Private)</b>  <b>University of Ottawa</b></p> <p><i>Please come and confirm your registration for the course. If you are not able to do so during the first registration period, please do so Monday morning at 8:15.</i></p>
	<p><b>Afternoon session</b></p> <p><i>Basic Overview of Public International Law</i></p>	<p><b>Speaker to be confirmed</b>  <b>13:30 – 16:00   Room TBC</b></p> <p><i>Mandatory introductory session for all participants.</i></p>

Monday May 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	<b>OFFICIAL START of the IHL SUMMER SCHOOL!</b>	<p><b>8:15 – 8:45   3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, FAUTEUX Hall (FTX)</b>  <i>Registration of the Participants.</i></p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>8:45 – 9:00   Room TBC</b>  <i>Welcome presentation and information about the course.</i></p>
	<p><b>Morning session</b></p> <p>Interactive exercise on the qualification of conflicts and their consequences</p>	<p>Professor <b>Marco Sassòli</b>   University of Geneva (Online)  <b>9:00 – 12:00   Room TBC</b>                      Break (30 minutes): <b>10:30   Room TBC</b></p> <p><i>Interactive discussion on IHL using the Report on Violations of International Humanitarian and Human Rights Law, War Crimes and Crimes against humanity committed in Ukraine since 24 February 2022 written by a Mission of experts in the framework of OSCE.</i></p>
	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	<b>12:00 – 13:30   Free time</b>
	<p><b>Afternoon session</b></p> <p>Introduction to International Humanitarian Law</p>	<p><b>Speaker to be confirmed</b>  <b>14:00 – 17:00   Room TBC</b>                      Break (30 minutes): <b>15:30   Room TBC</b></p> <p><i>This session will examine the philosophical and historical development of humanitarian law as well as its main goals notably to spare those who do not participate in hostility as well as limiting the violence to the amount necessary to achieve the aim of the conflict. It will further examine the relationship between jus ad bellum and jus in bello. This session will also examine the main sources of IHL and when, where and to whom it applies.</i></p>

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<b>Tuesday May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023</b>	<b>Morning session</b>  Combatant Status and Protection of Prisoners of War	<b>Speaker to be confirmed</b> <b>9:00 – 12:00   Room TBC</b> Break (30 minutes): <b>10:30   Room TBC</b>  <i>The session will examine who is to be considered a combatant in international armed conflict as well as the notion of “direct participation in hostilities” under IHL and the protections which are afforded to those who are detained under that status. Other notions under review are the protections granted to prisoners of war and terrorism and its potential categorization under IHL.</i>
	<b>Session over lunch</b>  Ethics	<b>Alain Roussy   Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa</b> <b>12:15 – 13:15   Room TBC</b> <i>A light lunch will be served to participants.</i>
	<b>Afternoon session</b>  Protection of civilians, including protection of women and children	<b>Speaker to be confirmed</b> <b>13:30 – 16:30   Room TBC</b> Break (30 minutes): <b>15:00   Room TBC</b>  <i>This session will examine the protection afforded to civilians under international humanitarian law. It will include a presentation of the rules that safeguard civilians against the effects of hostilities and the rules that protect civilians who fall into the hands of the enemy. Participants will consider and discuss the special IHL provisions that seek to protect women and children</i>

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<b>Wednesday</b> <b>May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023</b>	<b>Morning session</b>  Means and Methods of Warfare - Conduct of Hostilities	<b>Speaker to be confirmed</b> <b>9:00 – 12:00   Room TBC</b> Break (30 minutes): <b>10:30   Room TBC</b>  <i>This session will explore what means and methods of warfare are permitted and prohibited by IHL and particularly “Hague law”. It will especially examine how and why certain tactics and weapons have been outlawed.</i>
	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	<b>12:00 — 13:30   Free time</b>
	<b>Afternoon session</b>  Command Responsibility	<b>Speaker to be confirmed</b> <b>13:30 – 15:30   Room TBC</b> Break (30 minutes): <b>15:30   Room TBC</b>  <i>This session will focus on the concepts around command responsibility.</i>
	<b>Afternoon session</b>  Setting the stage for the Simulation Day <b>Mandatory</b>	<b>Speaker to be confirmed</b> <b>16:00 – 17:00   Room TBC</b>  <i>Review of materials and preparation for Thursday’s simulation exercise.</i>

<b>Thursday</b> <b>June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022</b>	<b>Simulation Day</b>	<b>Speakers to be confirmed</b>  <b>8:00 – 18:00</b> <b>Rooms TBC</b> — You will be informed on the day before the simulation which room you will need to attend. <b>Breaks will be indicated in a separate document.</b> <b>Meals for the day will be provided.</b>  <i>Based on a fictitious case, students will participate in different role play scenarios. Judges from uOttawa, the Canadian Red Cross and the Canadian military will play specific roles in the exercise.</i>
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<b>Friday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023</b>	<b>Review by students and facilitators on the simulation exercise</b>	<b>Speaker to be confirmed</b> <b>9:00 – 10:00   Room TBC</b> Break (30 minutes): <b>10:00   Room TBC</b>  <i>Organisers and students will share learnings, challenges and provide useful feedback to reinforce the goals of the session.</i>
	<b>Morning session</b>  International Criminal Law	<b>Speaker to be confirmed</b> <b>10:30 – 12:00   Room TBC</b>  <i>Canada's War Crime Program, Crime Against Humanity Act and questions surrounding jurisdiction and investigation.</i>
	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	<b>12:00 — 13:30   Free time</b>
	<b>Afternoon session</b>  International Criminal Law	<b>Speaker to be confirmed</b> <b>13:30 – 15:30   Room TBC</b> Break (30 minutes): <b>15:30   Room TBC</b>  <i>Introduction to International Criminal Law. Review of historical developments after World War II with the Nuremberg and Tokyo trials, the experience of ad hoc tribunals such as the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, the Rome Statute and the International Criminal Court.</i>
	<b>Closing Ceremony &amp; Info Session for Final Exam</b>	<b>Speakers to be confirmed</b> <b>16:00 – 17:15   Room TBC</b>  <i>Closing ceremony and distribution of certificates. Short briefing about the final exam for for-credit participants (30 minutes max.).</i>