

# Program – IHL Summer School 2023

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DAY	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
Sunday May 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Participant registration	<b>13:00 – 13:30   3<sup>rd</sup> Floor</b> <b>FAUTEUX Hall (57 Louis-Pasteur Private)</b> <b>University of Ottawa</b>  <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>
	<b>Afternoon session</b>  <i>Basic Overview of Public International Law</i>	<b>Professor Jabeur Fathally   University of Ottawa</b> <b>13:30 – 16:00   FTX302</b>  <i>Mandatory introductory session for all participants.</i>

Monday May 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	<b>OFFICIAL START of the IHL SUMMER SCHOOL!</b>  Bilingual session.	<b>8:15 – 8:45   3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, FAUTEUX Hall (FTX)</b> <i>Registration of the Participants.</i>  *****  <b>8:45 – 9:00   FTX302</b> <i>Welcome presentation and information about the course.</i>
	<b>Morning session</b>  Interactive exercise on some international humanitarian law issues arising from the war in Ukraine	Professor <b>Marco Sassòli</b>   University of Geneva <b>9:00 – 12:00   FTX302</b> Break (30 minutes): <b>10:30   FTX315</b>  <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>
	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	<b>12:00 – 13:30   Free time</b>
	<b>Afternoon session</b>  Introduction to International Humanitarian Law	<b>Steve Tiwa Fomekong</b>   Université Laval <b>13:30 – 16:30   FTX302</b> Break (30 minutes): <b>15:00   FTX315</b>  <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>

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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>Thomas Harper</b>   Senior Counsel, IHL, American Red Cross <b>9:00 – 12:00   FTX302</b> Break (30 minutes): <b>10:30   FTX315</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>LUNCH BREAK</b>	<b>12:00 – 13:00   Free time</b>
	<b>Afternoon session</b>  Protection of civilians, including protection of women and children	<b>Andrew Carswell</b>   IHL and Protection of Civilian Policy, Global Affairs & HRREC Fellow <b>13:00 – 16:00   FTX302</b> Break (15 minutes): <b>15:00   FTX315</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>
	<b>HOT TOPIC SESSION</b>  Mandatory for all participants.	<b>Jonathan Horowitz</b>   International Committee of the Red Cross <b>16:30 – 18:00   FTX302</b>  <b>Applying the principle of distinction to cyber space: Some legal implications for civilians using digital tools in armed conflict</b>  <i>This presentation will describe the phenomenon the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is witnessing of civilians increasingly using digital tools in relation to situations of armed conflict. It will explore how the principle of distinction applies to such situations, covering legal issues such as when IHL affords its protection against attack, and under what exceptional circumstances that protection might be lost.</i>
	<b>RECEPTION</b>	<b>A reception to celebrate the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Summer School on International Humanitarian Law!</b>  <b>18:00   Fauteux Hall – Atrium (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)</b>

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<p><b>Wednesday</b> <b>May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023</b></p>	<p><b>Morning session</b></p> <p>Means and Methods of Warfare - Conduct of Hostilities and Targeting</p>	<p><b>Major Jayne Thompson</b>   Canadian Forces Military Law Centre  <b>9:00 – 12:00   FTX302</b>                      Break (30 minutes): <b>10:30   FTX315</b></p> <p><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></p>
	<p><b>Session over lunch</b></p> <p>Ethics (bilingual session)</p>	<p><b>Alain Roussy</b>   University of Ottawa  <b>12:15 – 13:15   FTX302</b>  <i>A light lunch will be served to participants (room FTX315)</i></p>
	<p><b>Afternoon session</b></p> <p>Command Responsibility</p>	<p><b>Major Jayne Thompson</b>   Canadian Forces Military Law Centre  <b>13:30 – 15:30   FTX302</b>                      Break (30 minutes): <b>15:30   FTX315</b></p> <p><i>This session will focus on the concepts around command responsibility.</i></p>
	<p><b>Afternoon session</b></p> <p>Setting the stage for the Simulation Day (bilingual session)  <b>Mandatory</b></p>	<p><b>Fanny Dagenais-Dion</b>   Canadian Red Cross &amp;  <b>Thomas Roos</b>   Osons le DIH!  <b>16:00 – 17:00   FTX302</b></p> <p><i>Review of materials and preparation for Thursday’s simulation exercise.</i></p>

<p><b>Thursday</b> <b>June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022</b></p>	<p><b>Simulation Day</b></p>	<p><b>Fanny Dagenais-Dion</b>   Canadian Red Cross &amp;  <b>Thomas Roos</b>   Osons le DIH!  <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></p> <p><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></p>
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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>Fanny Dagenais-Dion</b>   Canadian Red Cross & <b>Thomas Roos</b>   Osons le DIH! <b>9:00 – 10:00   FTX302</b> Break (30 minutes): <b>10:00   FTX315</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>Terry Beitner</b>   Director & General Counsel, Crimes Against Humanity and War Crimes Section, Justice Canada  <b>10:30 – 12:00   FTX302</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>Joseph Rikhof</b>   Former Senior Counsel, Crimes Against Humanity and War Crime Section, Justice Canada & Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Law, Common Law Section, University of Ottawa <b>13:30 – 15:30   FTX302</b> Break (30 minutes): <b>15:30   FTX315</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>Fanny Dagenais-Dion</b>   Canadian Red Cross & <b>Jabeur Fathally</b>   University of Ottawa <b>16:00 – 17:15   FTX302</b>  <i>Closing ceremony and distribution of certificates.</i>  <i>Short briefing about the final exam MANDATORY for-credit participants (30 minutes max.).</i>