Executive Summary
Over the past year the Institute of Human Rights (IHR) has continued to provide international leadership in the areas of scholarship, research and service. Led by faculty in law, public health and political science, faculty affiliated with the IHR come from across the University. Major accomplishments of the past year include:

- More than 50 graduate level courses and over 40 affiliated faculty support the graduate certificate in human rights;
- Award of the graduate certificate in human rights to nine students in the 2006-2007 academic year;
- Sponsorship of a human rights speaker series on the topic of global influences on the respect for and protection of human rights;
- Sponsorship of Human Rights Week, a campus wide event including speakers, film series and community outreach events;
- Development of a health and human rights bibliography database in collaboration with the World Health Organization;
- Service to the community via the activities of the Atlanta Asylum Network;
- Sponsorship of numerous campus and community events including a conference on War and Health
- Publicity in both domestic and international press and academic publications; and
- Recipient of the 2007 Martin Luther King Jr. Community Service Award.
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Mission
The Institute of Human Rights (IHR) at Emory seeks to advance the cause of human rights through educational, research and community awareness programs in parallel with the mission of the university. We engage representatives of governmental and non-governmental institutions as well as scholars and practitioners in dialogue about the use of rights based approaches. Our teaching programs include an interdisciplinary graduate certificate in human rights open to graduate students across the university and an undergraduate human rights program currently in development.

We support faculty from the University in pursuing human rights related research. We have over forty affiliated faculty members who have unique expertise in the areas of health, theology, and law which contributes to our activities and goals.

Our community awareness programs include sponsorship of an annual campus wide Human Rights Week, including organization of on-campus film and speaker series, and debates that are open to the broader Atlanta community. In addition, the Atlanta Asylum Network provides pro bono physical and psychological evaluations to torture survivors for use in their asylum cases.

In 2005 the Institute of Human Rights sponsored the international conference, “Lessons Learned from Rights Based Approaches to Health.” In 2006, IHR engaged in follow up activities to the conference including a think tank meeting, a qualitative evaluation of the conference examining next steps for the health and human rights agenda, and development of a conference report. In addition, the IHR began collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO) to develop and launch two databases related to health and human rights that will be launched in late 2007. The first database will serve as a bibliography of academic literature related to health and human rights. The second database will be a compilation of international and regional declarations and treaties, national constitutions, and case law related to the right to health and other key health related rights.

Who We Are
The Institute of Human Rights at Emory provides an opportunity for Emory faculty and students to further their understanding of the theories and issues of human rights. Faculty in several schools at Emory University—including the Emory College, the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, the School of Law, the Rollins School of Public Health, the Goizueta Business School, the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing and the Candler School of Theology— have been involved in building an academic human rights program at Emory University.

The Institute of Human Rights is administered by an Executive Director and two programmatic directors as detailed below. Please see Annex A for a complete listing of publications and presentations completed by the IHR directors in 2006-2007.

Executive Director
Dabney Evans is the Executive Director of the Emory University Institute of Human Rights. She received her Master of Public Health degree in 1998. Since that time she has served a lecturer in the Hubert Department of Global Health at the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University. Evans teaches courses in “Interdisciplinary Perspectives in Human Rights” and “Health and Human Rights.” In addition, Evans has served as a training instructor to more than 1,000 public health practitioners from over 20 countries.

Evans was co-principal investigator for the “Tibet Trauma Study” which examined trauma, mental health and perceptions of human rights among adolescent Tibetan refugees. Evans was conference planning chair of the international conference, “Lessons Learned from Rights Based Approaches to Health” which brought together more than 350 participants from 40 countries in April 2005. Between 2002-2004, Evans was coordinator of an intensive public health study trip to Havana, Cuba for Master's level students and now
serves on the Medical Education in Cooperation with Cuba (MEDICC), a non-governmental organization whose aim is to promote sharing of medical practice, education, policies and research that contribute to improving health care quality and accessibility in the USA, Cuba and throughout the world.

Currently, Evans is working on the development of two Health and Human Rights databases in collaboration with the Department of Ethics, Trade, Human Rights and Health Law of the World Health Organization. Evans is a doctoral candidate at the University of Aberdeen (United Kingdom) in law. Her dissertation research focuses on the nondiscriminatory provision of the right to health in several countries.

Evans is faculty advisor to two student groups: Physicians for Human Rights based in the Emory University Medical School and the International Student Association for Health and Human Rights based in the Rollins School of Public Health. Evans is a member of the Delta Omega Public Health Honor Society, Omicron Delta Kappa National Service Honor Society and the International Human Rights Committee of the American Public Health Association. Evans is involved with all logistical and programmatic aspects of the Institute of Human Rights.

Director of Educational Programs
David R. Davis is Director of Educational Programs for the Institute of Human Rights. As such Davis coordinates the educational programming associated with the graduate certificate in Human Rights as well as the proposed undergraduate minor in human rights. Davis's primary appointment is in the Department of Political Science at Emory University. Davis's research interests include: international relations, domestic politics and international conflict, political violence and ethnic conflict, defense economics and the political economy of development. His teaching interests include: international relations, human rights, political violence, research methods. Current research projects include; the durable resolution of ethnic conflict, democratization and ethnic conflict, crisis escalation and domestic-international conflict linkages. Currently Davis is focusing primarily on the development of a track in human rights via the International Studies major within the Department of Political Science.

Director of Research Activities
Abdullahi Ahmed An-Na’im is Director of Research Activities for the Institute of Human Rights. An-Na’im is Charles Howard Candler Professor of Law at Emory Law School. An internationally recognized scholar of Islam and human rights, and human rights in cross-cultural perspectives, An-Na’im teaches courses in human rights, religion and human rights, Islamic law, and criminal law. His research interests also include constitutionalism in Islamic and African countries, and Islam and politics. He is the Director of the Religion and Human Rights Project of the Law and Religion Program at Emory University School of Law. An-Na’im directs the following research projects which focus on advocacy strategies for reform through internal cultural transformation: Islamic Family Law, Women and Land in Africa, and Fellowship Program in Islam and Human Rights. In 2006 An-Na’im received the Marion V. Creekmore Award for Internationalization which each year honors an Emory faculty member who excels in the advancement of the University's commitment to internationalization.

As of May 2007 An-Na’im will step down from his position as Director of Research Activities for the Institute of Human Rights. He has undertaken the decision in an effort to urge the University to commit to a larger long-term commitment to the activities of the IHR and the faculty that support it. An-Na’im will remain an affiliated faculty member within the IHR and Edward Queen will assume the position of Director of Research Activities.

Administrative Activities
The IHR undertook two major administrative activities in the 2006-2007 year: overhaul of the IHR website (now available at: http://humanrights.emory.edu) and the recruitment of new faculty. As a part of the IHR website design a snowball survey of faculty engaged in teaching and/or academic research related to human rights was conducted. These faculty were asked if they would like to be added as IHR affiliated faculty. They
were also asked about any courses that they teach related to human rights and whether those courses would be appropriate as elective courses under the graduate certificate. Additionally, systematic review of all courses related to human rights offered at the graduate level was undertaken. A review of all course syllabi submitted by course instructors or gleaned through departmental requests allowed IHR staff to determine whether the substance of specific courses would allow for the course to be added as an elective for the graduate certificate in human rights. As a result nearly twenty new courses have been added as qualifying elective courses for the graduate certificate in human rights. Similarly the number of IHR affiliated faculty jumped from nearly 20 faculty to 44 faculty from across the disciplines. Please see Annex B for a complete listing of IHR affiliated faculty broken down by departmental affiliation. IHR intends to undertake a similar faculty survey and course assessment every two years. In future years IHR may also survey IHR affiliated faculty regarding their sponsored research activities related to human rights.

Teaching Activities

Graduate Certificate in Human Rights

The Institute of Human Rights administers a graduate Certificate in Human Rights. Awarding of the certificate requires students to complete the core course (Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Human Rights), complete two or three additional courses (depending on whether the student is a professional or doctoral level student), and the completion of a practicum experience. Currently the certificate is available to all students in the Graduate School and the School of Public Health. The Institute is in the process of having the certificate approved by the other professional schools.

Last year, students could choose from among over 50 approved graduate-level courses from across the university. This was an increase from 30 courses which were offered in past years. Courses were available in all divisions of the university. As anticipated interest in the graduate certificate has grown with nine students receiving the certificate in the 2006-2007 academic year.

See Annex C for a listing of courses offered in Fall 2006 and Spring 2007 as a part of the graduate certificate in human rights as well as undergraduate courses.

Emory University Summer Program in European Political Economy

The Emory University Summer Program in European Political Economy, which will be based at the Centre Américain de l’Institut d’Etudes Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po), is a six-week summer program on European Political Economy that educates students in the theory and practice of political economy in Europe. The courses offered will include both a rigorous theoretical component developed through lectures and class discussion, and an applied, practical component realized through guest lectures and site visits. The broad themes that will be developed throughout the courses include; investigating the process of integration, understanding the historical development of regional political and economic institutions, and recognizing the regional and national political challenges faced by European countries, such as migration, social welfare policy and human rights. Students will have the opportunity observe first hand the operation of bodies such as the International Criminal Court, The European Court of Human Rights, the European Central Bank, The European Union and the European Parliament. All of the courses offered are being developed for the program in order to take advantage of the unique opportunity to visit institutions and hear from policy makers, officials and scholars.

Human Rights Speaker Series

In 2007 the IHR sponsored a year-long speaker series on the topic of global influences on the respect for and protection of human rights. The advancement of human rights is a crucial topic of both scholarly and policy interests, spanning a variety of academic disciplines. Emory has had a long-standing interest in protecting
human rights, from the Institute for Human Rights to its strong relationships with global leaders such as Jimmy Carter and the Dalai Lama who are committed to human rights. This commitment is realized both in the scholarship of its faculty and its classroom offerings for undergraduate and graduate students across the university.

The speaker series focused on three areas of global determinants of human rights protection: economic globalization, international institutions, and global community. The first area gets at whether the accelerating phenomenon of economic globalization serves to advance or impede human rights. Does skyrocketing trade give workers power or undermine their political and social leverage? Does increasing economic interaction with repressive states like China strengthen the hold of ruling autocrats or strengthen society, thereby laying the groundwork for transformation? The second area concerns the effects of international organizations and treaties. Do states observe treaties like the Geneva Convention and the Convention Against Torture? Do states sign such treaties only when they are going to observe them anyway? Do states cynically ignore such treaties? Do such treaties have real effects? Can humanitarian intervention by organizations such as the United Nations work? The third area is global community. Many have speculated that global social forces such as norms and non-governmental organizations, such as Amnesty International and the Nobel Prize-winning de-mining campaign, can play critical roles in advancing human rights. Is this speculation correct?

Four noteworthy scholars visited Emory during the 2006-2007 in order to address these areas on inquiry: Stephen Poe, Emilie Hafner-Burton, Jana von Stein, and Kiyoteru Tsutsui. Details regarding their presentations can be seen in Annex D.

Human Rights Week

For the past six years the Institute for Human Rights has been the primary sponsor of Human Rights Week on the Emory campus. Human Rights Week consists of a series of public events on and around the Emory campus focused on raising rights-based issues among students, faculty and community members on a wide variety of topics. Human Rights Week 2007 took place March 25-31, 2007. In 2007 major events included a networking fair, keynote addresses on various topics, several film screenings, and numerous advocacy activities. Table 1 below gives a summary account of activities during Human Rights Week 2007.

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<td>Bollywood film “Hari-Bhari” on reproductive rights</td>
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<td>Panel Discussion</td>
<td>Cluster Bombs; Ramadan Assi, Dr. Omar Atefi and Dr. Senkham Boutdara</td>
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<td>Social Justice Activist Mandy Carter</td>
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<td>Ledum Mitee: Oil exploitation and non-violent struggles in the Niger Delta region</td>
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<td>Iranian Dissident Akbar Ganji: Reflections on the Relationship between Religion and Human Rights</td>
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<td>John Perkins, author of “Confessions of an Economic Hit Man”</td>
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<td>Film</td>
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**Sponsored Research Activities**

As a follow up activity to the international conference, “Lessons Learned from Rights Based Approaches to Health” the Emory University Institute of Human Rights (IHR) in collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO) has developed two databases related to health and human rights. WHO served in a supervisory capacity through the provision of technical support and advice. As administrators of a grant from the Gates Foundation, IHR provided personnel time and contracts for the technical support needed to develop the databases. The first database will serve as a bibliography of academic literature related to health and human rights. Literature for the years 1993-2001 had already been compiled and entered into a draft database format. Under this deliverable academic literature for the years 2001-2006 was compiled, abstracted, and entered into the database. Additionally, the existing database format was updated to allow for full text searching searchable by health topic. The second database is a compilation of international and regional declarations and treaties, national constitutions, policy instruments and case law related to the **right to health and other key health related rights**. The database also allows for full text searching. Both databases will be available on the World Health Organization web site pending WHO official approval.

**Service Activities**

*Atlanta Asylum Network Activities*

Thousands come to the United States annually seeking sanctuary and asylum from persecution in their home lands. Many have been tortured and separated from their families, all have suffered human rights abuses. On arrival in the US, they do not have refugee status, and are subject to repatriation if authorities do not find their petitions for political asylum credible.

Applicants for asylum bring their cases before the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (CIS) court system, where asylum can be granted or the case is referred for a hearing. The judge who hears the case is the final arbiter on asylum decisions, and the bar is relatively high. Even with credible evidence of political, religious, or gender-based persecution and a well-founded fear of further persecution should the applicant be returned home, many asylum seekers are denied entry into the US. Cases are heard in regional CIS courts, each of which has a different average approval rate. Atlanta’s courts, which hear the largest number of cases in the Southeast outside of Florida, have the lowest approval rate in the nation.

The asylum process is protracted and often difficult, particularly for those who have experienced torture and other forms of abuse. As part of the process, torture survivors have to repeatedly describe the trauma they experienced, and their credibility is deemed suspect if their stories deviate at any point. Many survivors suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder, however, which results in disorganized thinking and avoidance behaviors. This can lead the court to conclude that asylum seekers are not credible, when in fact their behavior is entirely consistent with their reported torture and abuse.

To support victims of torture and human rights abuses, and provide advocacy from healthcare professionals versed in the effects of torture, trauma, and abuse, Physicians for Human Rights (PHR) in Boston founded the Asylum Network. The Network recruits and trains healthcare providers to evaluate torture survivors for
physical and/or psychological evidence of the abuses they have suffered; this forensic evidence is then presented to the asylum courts. The Atlanta Asylum Network, an outgrowth of PHR's national Asylum Network, was founded in 2003 in collaboration with the IHR as a response to the stark needs of asylum seekers attempting to navigate the Atlanta CIS courts.

Structurally, the AAN operates as a program of the Institute of Human Rights. The AAN receives client referrals from immigration and asylum attorneys as well as from agencies that provide services to refugees, asylum seekers, immigrants, and torture and trauma survivors. The AAN is composed of a group of physicians and mental health professionals from Emory and the community as well as student volunteers from Emory's college and professional schools. Initially a rather loose association of physicians and other healthcare providers and volunteers, in the last year and a half the AAN has formalized its structure and fortified its activities. At the same time, several other organizations serving asylum seekers and torture survivors in the Atlanta area have matured, as well, and these agencies are all continuing to work together to provide much needed services to Atlanta's asylum seekers and torture survivors.

Highlights of the AAN's activities in the last year include initiation of 18 new cases, two provider trainings, and two student volunteer trainings. The AAN also restructured its intake and client management processes and enhanced its core student volunteer base to include additional graduate student volunteers from the Schools of Medicine and Public Health. In addition, the AAN has continued to work closely with its community partners, particularly Catholic Charities, the Center for Torture and Trauma Survivors (CTTS), and the Atlanta Bar Asylum Project (ABAP). The AAN, CC, CTTS, and ABAP had their first summit meeting this year, and are planning to further formalize their relationship as well as develop opportunities to formally share and build on each others' experiences assisting asylum seekers and torture survivors. The AAN and CTTS, in particular, continue to work together closely, sharing staff and space for evaluating torture survivors applying for political asylum, and the AAN Director, Dr. Jeremy Hess, supported CTTS in their site visit from the Office of Refugees and Resettlement this Spring.

In total, the AAN has completed 77 cases, excluding the three cases currently underway. The Network continues to gather data on its past cases as part of an effort to evaluate the effect of AAN involvement in asylum hearings; several previous clients were lost to followup, but the revised case management has enhanced this data collection significantly. Cases often take one to two years to complete, however, so the more complete dataset cannot be analyzed for some time.

In the coming year, the AAN will attempt to expand and evaluate its activities through a formal client and partner agency needs assessment; the data from this assessment will be used to facilitate AAN's activities and shared with community partner agencies to help fill service gaps. The AAN will continue to have a student coordinator on staff and plans to host a total of two trainings each semester, one for student volunteers and one for health professionals. The AAN also aims to enhance its volunteer appreciation efforts through an end-of-the-year gathering to thank undergraduate, graduate, and health professional volunteers for all of their time and effort and their commitment to human rights, torture survivors, and asylum seekers.

EMERGENCY Conference

The EMERGENCY War and Health conference was held on February 17, 2007. In conjunction with the Institute of Human Rights and other organizations, a group of students were able to organize and make free a conference on the impact war has on health. Several speakers presented on this topic. Aun Lor discussed the human rights issues with war and health. Les Roberts discussed the importance of data when working for peace, and Mike Westerhaus discussed his clinical and anthropological work in northern Uganda. Four panels occurred concurrently with specialized topic areas including mental health, women and children, public health, and clinical medicine. Each panel had 3-4 speakers on the topic. Speakers were invited from the Atlanta area and outside Atlanta and included several IHR faculty including, Dabney Evans, Pamela Scully and Timothy Holtz. Many speakers had worked in war zones through the world and many were from war
zones themselves. The health expertise and personal experience provoked thoughtful discussion among the participants. A silent art auction was also held throughout the conference. Local Atlanta artists had created artwork to express their thoughts on war and health. Overall, 115 people registered at the conference, but it is estimated that more attended. The participants, as well as the speakers all had positive feedback regarding the conference and were interested in future events on this topic. In the end, $750 was raised to send medical supplies the NGO, Emergency's, hospitals in Sierra Leone.

Community Events

Table 2 provides an overview of additional events were either co-sponsored or otherwise supported by the IHR through publicity, financial or human resource support.

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<td>Film &amp; Lecture</td>
<td>Are all corporations bad apples? Film screening with appearance by Vandana Shiva</td>
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<td>Creating food democracy: Be Democratic, eat local with Vandana Shiva</td>
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<td>Nov 9</td>
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<td>Are we there yet? Why women aren’t equal even if we think we are with Katha Pollitt</td>
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<td>Community gathering</td>
<td>Women talking with women: Reflecting on race, ethnicity and culture</td>
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<td>Imagine a better world meeting at Piedmont Park</td>
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<td>Physician Participation in Lethal Injection: A conversation with Carlo Musso</td>
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<td>Community gathering</td>
<td>27th Annual Poor People’s Day at the Capital</td>
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<td>Brown bag luncheon</td>
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<td>Darfur Summit at Spelman College</td>
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**Press, Publications and Presentations**

The IHR was recognized in the popular press on several occasions in the 2006-2007 year. Specific stories are catalogued on the IHR website at: [http://humanrights.emory.edu/sub-ihr.htm](http://humanrights.emory.edu/sub-ihr.htm). Of special note is the fact that the Atlanta Asylum Network was highlighted in an article in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. Also noteworthy is the presentation the 2007 Martin Luther King Jr. Community Service Award to the IHR.

**Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2007-2008**

The following budget request for Fiscal Year 2007 will be submitted to the Office of the Provost via the Office of International Affairs on behalf of the Institute of Human Rights.

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**Budget Justification**

**Graduate Research Assistant**

Support for a graduate research assistant in the amount of **$8,000** is requested. The graduate research assistant will work directly with the Executive Director to assist in the administration of the graduate certificate in human rights, and provide support for IHR research proposals and events. The research assistant will also assist in the IHR faculty survey and course analysis conducted alternating years.

**Human Rights Week**

For the past six years, the Institute of Human Rights has sponsored Human Rights Week. In 2007 the theme of Human Rights Week was “From Awareness to Action.” The campus and community wide event includes a diverse range of activities including a tabling fair for human rights based organizations, on campus lectures,
film screenings, and volunteer and advocacy whose proceeds benefit charities. We request $2,500 to support the continuation of this important event which has become a part of the Emory culture.

Atlanta Asylum Network Administration and Web Site Development
The Atlanta Asylum Network (AAN) was established in partnership with Physicians for Human Rights in 2003 as a service activity of the Institute of Human Rights. The AAN utilizes the strengths of Emory University by providing pro bono physical and psychological evaluation of asylum seekers, many of whom are torture survivors. Since 2003 the AAN has conducted training seminars for Atlanta health professionals on how to conduct these sensitive evaluations as well as how to prepare affidavits for court testimony. In 2007 the AAN plans on undertaking several activities including the continuation of a needs assessment for asylum seekers in the Atlanta area, training for physicians and health care providers, and the development of a new web page content to be hosted on the new IHR web page. We request $4,500 to support the administration of the AAN ($2,500) and web site development ($2,000)

Support for IHR Co-sponsored Events
As evidenced in Table 2 above a number of events related but not directly planned by the IHR occur each year. As a result the IHR regularly received ad hoc requests for funds to co-sponsor or otherwise support these types of events. In order to support cross-fertilization and collaboration across the university, we request $2,000 for the support of these types of activities.

Travel and Professional Development
In order to further the expertise and recognition of Emory's Institute of Human Rights, we request $3,000 for the purposes of travel and professional development. These funds will be used to attend conferences related to human rights and for travel to meetings with foundations, scholars and experts in the field of human rights whose input may serve to further the cause of the Institute and the University at large.
Annex A
2006-2007 Publications and Presentations by Staff of the IHR

Book, Chapters and Articles:


An-Na‘im, AA. Islamic Secularism and the Future of Shari‘a (working title), Harvard University Press (forthcoming Spring 2008)


Ewert, L and Evans, D. Human Rights, Health, War and Peace, (Forthcoming)

Evans, D. (Forthcoming). Salud para todo: Cuba’s revolutionary approach towards fulfillment of the right to health. In P.A. Cholewka & M.M. Motlagh (Eds.), Health Capital and Sustainable Socioeconomic Development. Boca Raton, Florida: Taylor & Francis LLC.


Presentations:

Abdullahi A. An-Na‘im
- Public lecture, Post-Graduate Research Programme, Tuebingen University, Germany.
- Presentations, “The Future of Shari‘a is with a Secular State,” and “Shari‘a and Human Rights,”
Conference on Shari`a in a Modern Context, The Association of Democratic Muslims of Denmark and Institute for Cross-cultural and Regional Studies, University of Copenhagen, Denmark, November 25-26, 2006.

- Public lecture, “African Constitutionalism and the Role of Islam,” Islamic Legal Studies and Faculty of Law, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Nigeria, August 30, 2006.

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Dabney P. Evans
• Presentation, “Salud para todo: Cuba’s revolutionary approach towards fulfillment of the right to health”
  Emory University School of Medicine
  Atlanta, Georgia, April 11, 2007
• Presentation, “Interpreting the International Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Racial Discrimination”
  Advancing Inter-disciplinarity in Human Rights Research: Problems and Possibilities
  London School of Economics, London, United Kingdom, March 20, 2007
• Presentation, “Public Health and Human Rights Advocacy”
  Student Advocates, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University
  Atlanta, Georgia, February 28, 2007
• Presentation, “Contemporary Human Rights Issues”
  Central Congregational United Church of Christ, Atlanta, Georgia, February 25, 2007
• Presentation, “Careers in International Human Rights”
  International Career Networking Night, Center for International Programs Abroad,
  Atlanta, Georgia, February 21, 2007
• Presentation, “Mental Health and Human Rights”
  EMERGENCY conference, Atlanta, Georgia, February 17, 2007
• Presentation, “The Role of the International Community in the Conflict in Darfur”
  STAND conference, Atlanta, Georgia, February 3-4, 2007
• Presentation, “The Right to Health under the Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Racial Discrimination”
  University of Aberdeen, School of Law, December 5, 2006
• Presentation, “So many wrongs, what about the rights?”
  American Public Health Association, November 6, 2006
• Presentation, “The Right to Health and Vulnerable Populations”
  American Public Health Association, November 8, 2006
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Courses approved for the graduate certificate program or the undergraduate human rights curricula.

**Emory College**

Courses under this section are approved for the undergraduate human rights program; the remainder of the courses are approved for the graduate certificate.

African Studies 190: Violence and Memory in Contemporary Africa  
Professor Pamela Scully  
Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

Anthropology 190: Living Across Cultures  
Professor Bruce Knauft  
Frequency offered: annually

Anthropology 352: Globalization and Transnational Culture  
Professor Carla Freeman  
Frequency offered: almost annually

Anthropology 385: AIDS in Africa through Film  
Professor Kate Winskell  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

Economics 390: Latin American Economies  
Professor C. Monica Capra  
Frequency offered: intermittently

Political Science 190J: Conflict and Cooperation  
Professor Richard Doner  
Frequency offered: intermittently

Political Science 317: Global Human Rights  
Professor David Davis  
Frequency offered: every two years

Political Science 336: Politics in Russia  
Professor Thomas Remington  
Frequency offered: every two years, spring semester

Political Science 337: Islam and Politics  
Professor Carrie Rosefsky Wickham  
Frequency offered: every two years

Political Science 338: Politics of the Middle East  
Professor Carrie Rosefsky Wickham  
Frequency offered: every two years

Political Science 385: Human Rights in Europe  
Professor David Davis  
Frequency offered: annually, summer program in Paris beginning summer 2007
Political Science 385: Human Rights in Political Philosophy  
Professor J. Judd Owen  
Frequency offered: intermittently

Political Science 490: Democracy and the Market  
Professor Thomas Remington  
Frequency offered: every two years, fall semester

Political Science 490: Dictatorship and Development  
Professor Jennifer Gandhi  
Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

Political Science 490: Globalization and Human Rights  
Professor David Davis  
Frequency offered: every two years

Political Science 490S: Gender, Islam and Politics  
Professor Carrie Rosefsky Wickham  
Frequency offered: every two years

Religion 354: Religion, Ethics and Public Policy  
Professor Edward Queen  
Frequency offered: every two years

Religion 370: Religion and Human Rights  
Professor Edward Queen  
Frequency offered: every two years, spring semester

Sociology 214: Class, Status, Power  
Professor Dennis Condron  
Frequency offered: every semester

Sociology 245: Individual and Society  
Professor Cathy Johnson  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

Sociology 247: Race and Ethnic Relations  
Professor Regina Werum  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

Sociology 389: Religion and Conflict  
Professor Sam Cherribi  
Frequency offered: intermittently

Women's Studies 100: Introduction to Women's Studies  
Professor Irene Browne  
Frequency offered: every semester

Women's Studies 342: Globalization and Transnational Culture  
Professor Carla Freeman  
Frequency offered: almost annually
**Candler School of Theology**

- Church and Community 698: Faith and Health: Transforming Communities  
  Professor Mimi Kiser  
  Professor Gary Gunderson  
  Frequency offered: intermittently

- Ethical Studies 698: Issues in Christian Ethics: International Human Rights  
  Professor Johan Van der Vyver  
  Frequency offered: intermittently

- Religious Ethics 701R: Seminar in Social Ethics  
  Professor Jon Gunnemann  
  Frequency offered: intermittently

- Religious Ethics 701R: Social Justice and Social Theory  
  Professor Jon Gunnemann  
  Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

**Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (GSAS)**

- Anthropology 585/ILA 790: Globalization in Practicum  
  Professor Bruce Knauft  
  Frequency offered: intermittently

- Political Science 585/GH 590R/LAW 819: Interdisciplinary Perspectives in Human Rights  
  Professor David Davis  
  Professor Edward Queen  
  Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

- Political Science 585: Transitions to Democracy  
  Professor Jennifer Gandhi  
  Frequency offered: every two years, spring semester

- Religion PC 710G/ILA 790: After Violence: ‘Futuring’ Victim-Free Society  
  Professor Thee Smith  
  Frequency offered: every two years, spring semester

- Religion PC 710 – Religion, Conflict Resolution & Human Rights  
  Professor Thee Smith  
  Frequency offered: intermittently

- Sociology 517: Race and Ethnic Relations  
  Professor Regina Werum  
  Frequency offered: every two years, fall semester

- Sociology 521: Social Movements  
  Professor Regina Werum  
  Frequency offered: every two years, spring semester
Women’s Studies: Globalization, Gender and Locality  
Professor Carla Freeman  
Frequency offered: intermittently

Women’s Studies 585: Feminism and Disability  
Professor Rosemarie Garland-Thomson  
Frequency offered: intermittently

Women’s Studies 751R: Feminist Theory, Feminist Conversations  
Professor Rosemarie Garland-Thomson  
Frequency offered: annually

Women’s Studies 751R: Feminist Theory: Human Rights and Genocide  
Professor Pamela Scully  
Frequency offered: every two years

Rollins School of Public Health

BSHE 565: Violence as a Public Health Problem  
Professor Debra Houry  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

BSHE 578: Public Health Ethics  
Professor Lisa Carlson  
Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

Global Health 507: Health as Social Justice  
Professor Mimi Kiser  
Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

Global Health 508: Health and Human Rights  
Professor Dabney Evans  
Professor Alan Hinman  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

Global Health 512: Health and Nutrition in International Complex Emergencies  
Professor M. Anderson  
Professor B. Lopes-Cardozo  
Professor F. Galloway  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

Global Health 537: Maternal and Child Health Demography  
Professor Rob Stephenson  
Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

Global Health 563: AIDS - Public Health Implications  
Professor Susan Allen  
Professor Kristin Dunkle  
Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

Global Health 590R: Communicating for Healthy Behavior and Social Change  
Professor Kate Winskell
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

Global Health 590R: Faith and Health – Transforming Communities
Professor Mimi Kiser
Professor Gary Gunderson
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

Global Health 590R: Forced Migration and Reproductive Health
Professor Basia Tomczyk
Frequency offered: every two years, spring semester

Global Health 590R/ LAW 819/ POLS 585: Interdisciplinary Perspectives in Human Rights
Professor David Davis
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Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

Global Health 590R: Legal Regulation of Sexuality and Parenthood
Professor Kay Levine
Frequency offered: intermittently

Global Health 590R: Migration and Health
Professor Rob Stephenson
Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

Global Health 591F: Nutrition and Food in Humanitarian Emergencies
Professor Brad Woodruff
Professor Leisel Talley
Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

School of Law

LAW XXX: International Women's Human Rights
Professor Nancy Stafford
Frequency offered: first time offered, spring 2007

LAW 627: Islam and Politics: Constitutional and Human Rights Perspectives
Professor Abdullahi An-Na'im
Frequency offered: annually

LAW 634: International Institutions
Professor Abdullahi An-Na'im
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

LAW 653: International Criminal Law
Professor Johan Van der Vyver
Frequency offered: intermittently

LAW 677L: The Law of International Common Spaces
Professor David J. Bederman
Frequency offered: intermittently
LAW 681: Sexuality and the Law  
Professor Martha Fineman  
Frequency offered: every two years, fall semester

LAW 690: International Human Rights  
Professor Johan Van der Vyver  
Frequency offered: intermittently

LAW 692: Transnational Criminal Practices  
Professor Bruce Maloy  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

LAW 698L: Constitutional Rights  
Professor Michael J. Perry  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

LAW 717: International Trade Law & Policy  
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Frequency offered: every two years, spring semester

LAW 732L: Public International Law  
Professor David J. Bederman  
Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

LAW 736: Health Law  
Professor Ani B. Satz  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

LAW 750: Religion and Human Rights  
Professor Abdullahi An-Na‘im  
Frequency offered: intermittently

LAW 805: Emerging Markets Law  
Professor Robert B. Ahdieh  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

LAW 810: Disability and Discrimination  
Professor Ani B. Satz  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester

LAW 819/ G H 590R/ POLS 585: Interdisciplinary Perspectives in Human Rights  
Professor David Davis  
Professor Edward Queen  
Frequency offered: annually, fall semester

LAW 836: Reproductive Issues  
Professor Martha Fineman  
Frequency offered: every two years, fall semester

**School of Medicine**

MEDI 553: Medical Decision Making
Professor Bill Eley  
Frequency offered: annually, fall and spring semester

MED 645: Human Rights, Social Medicine, and the Physician  
Professor Timothy H. Holtz  
Frequency offered: annually, spring semester
Annex D
Human Rights Speaker Series 2006-2007

Dr. Steve Poe
What Comes Before Truth? The Political Determinants of Truth Commission Initiation
September 21, 2006
Dr. Steven Poe is a professor of political science at the University of North Texas, having received his Ph.D. from the University of Iowa in 1989. Dr. Poe is one of the nation's leading political scientists who study human rights. He has authored several articles and books on human rights. He is a long-time member of the Editorial Review Board of Human Rights Quarterly, and is currently editor-in-chief of the International Studies Quarterly. Poe is currently serving a term on the Board of Directors of the Center for Survivors of Torture in Dallas, Texas.

Dr. Emilie Hafner-Burton
Coercing Human Rights: How Powerful States Use Markets to Impose Freedom
January 31, 2007
Dr. Emilie Hafner-Burton is an assistant professor of politics at Princeton University. She received her Ph.D. in political science from the University of Wisconsin in 2003. From 2003 to 2006, she was both a postdoctoral research prize fellow at Nuffield College, Oxford, and an associated fellow at the Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law at Stanford University. Her dissertation, “Globalizing Human Rights? How Preferential Trade Agreements Shape Government Repression, 1972-2000,” won two awards from the American Political Science Association, the 2005 Helen Dwight Reed Award for Best Dissertation in International Relations, Law, and Politics, and the 2004 Prize for Best Dissertation in Human Rights. She has published a wide array of academic articles in leading journals, principally on the topics of human rights and gender in international politics.

Dr. John Paul Lederach
Coercing Human Rights: How Powerful States Use Markets to Impose Freedom
February 6, 2007
Professor of International Peacebuilding at the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana and concurrently Distinguished Scholar at Eastern Mennonite University Dr. John Paul Lederach has written widely on conflict resolution and mediation. He holds a Ph.D. in sociology from the University of Colorado and has been at the Eastern Mennonite University since 1990. Dr. Lederach’s theories of elicitive methods of conflict resolution have been influential in the fields of Political Science, Peace Studies, International Relations and Conflict Resolution. His works have been published widely in English and Spanish. His academic work comes laden with examples from his experience in the field as a mediator, negotiator, peacebuilding practitioner, trainer and consultant.

Dr. Jana von Stein
Making Promises, Keeping Promises: Democracy, Ratification, and Compliance in International Human Rights Law
February 27, 2007
Dr. Jana von Stein is an assistant professor of political science at the University of Michigan. She received her Ph.D. from UCLA in 2006. Her current research seeks to understand when and why states comply with the international legal commitments they make. Her research has been published in the American Political Science Review, the leading journal in the field of political science.

Dr. Kiyoteru Tsutsui
Rights Make Might: Global Human Rights and Minority Social Movements in Japan
April 30, 2007
Kiyoteru Tsutsui’s principal research interest is in political/historical/comparative sociology, social movements, human rights and Japanese society. His current research examines global expansion of human rights and its impact on local politics. He was a Social Science Research Council Abe Fellow in 2004-05 and
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Annex E

Human Rights Week 2007 Activities

**Walk for Women’s Lives**
March 25, 2007, 2pm
The Walk for Women’s Lives is an annual statewide event whose purpose is to raise awareness, build community and rally for justice about reproductive health and freedom in Georgia. In 2006, the Walk brought over 800 participants to the capitol and was the largest reproductive rights community event in almost two decades. The event represents and demands an all-encompassing movement fighting ignorance, intolerance and injustice while advocating reproductive justice and demanding political and social justice for Georgians regardless of age, race, ethnicity, religion, economic status, sexual orientation, etc. For more information go to [http://www.walkforwomengeorgia.org](http://www.walkforwomengeorgia.org).

**A well founded fear of persecution: Presentation by the Atlanta Asylum Network**
March 25, 2007, 5pm
Two speakers from the Atlanta Asylum Network gave presentations that focused on asylum laws — including what it means to demonstrate “a well-founded fear of future persecution” — and difficulties faced by persons who enter the United States seeking asylum without proper documentation. The presentation also covered how asylum seekers are dealt with by the Atlanta court system. The session closed with a period for letter writing to local officials regarding housing asylum seekers in prisons for indefinite periods.

**“Hari-Bhari”**
March 25, 2007, 7pm
This Bollywood film explores issues such as family planning, women’s reproductive rights, and women’s education through a story on the lives of five women in three generations in a rural Muslim family.

**Cluster Bombs; Ramadan Assi, Dr. Omar Atefi and Dr. Senkham Boutdara**
March 26, 2007, 4pm
This session began with an introduction that addressed what cluster bombs are, which countries produce them, which countries are affected by them and the effects of cluster bombs on civilian populations. Ramadan Assi, Dr. Omar Atefi and Dr. Senkham Boutdara spoke about their experiences in and the effects of cluster bombs on civilian populations in Lebanon, Afghanistan and Laos, respectively, and a discussion followed.

**Social Justice Activist Mandy Carter**
March 26, 2007, 7pm
Mandy Carter is a self-described “southern out black lesbian social justice activist.” She has been a grassroots organizer for the past 37 years and was a founding member of two groundbreaking organizations—Southerners on New Ground (SONG), a North Carolina-based organization integrating work against homophobia into freedom struggles in the South, and the National Black Justice Organization (NBJO), the only national civil rights organization concerned with black lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals and allies dedicated to promoting equality by fighting racism and homophobia. In addition to her role in 1993 as one of the six original founders of SONG, Carter served from 2002 through 2005 as the organization’s executive director. During her tenure at SONG, Mandy Carter was nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize as part of the 1000 Women for Peace nomination.

**Ledom Mitee: Oil exploitation and non-violent struggles in the Niger Delta region**
March 27, 2007, 2pm
Ledum Mitee, president of the Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People (MOSOP—Nigeria) and the Unrepresented Nations and Peoples Organization (UNPO—The Hague), spoke on oil exploitation and the challenges of a non-violent struggle in Nigeria’s Niger Delta region.

**Coalition of Immokolee Workers**
March 27, 2007, 4pm
The Coalition of Immokolee Workers (CIW), based in Immokolee, Florida, is a community-based worker organization whose members are largely Latino, Haitian and Mayan Indian immigrants working in low-wage jobs throughout the state of Florida. In 2001, CIW launched a successful boycott of a major fast-food company, Taco Bell, calling on the fast-food giant to take responsibility for human rights abuses in the fields where its produce is grown and picked. The boycott drew support from student, religious, labor and community organizations throughout the United States, and, in 2005, Taco Bell agreed to meet the demands to improve wages and working conditions. This April, CIW will launch a campaign to expose exploitation in fields where produce for McDonald’s is produced. Sarah Osmers gave an explosive presentation on the history of the CIW, the success of organized protest and student activism and how we can all become involved in the struggle to secure basic human rights for field workers around the world. For more information on CIW go to [http://www.ciw-online.org](http://www.ciw-online.org).

**Darfur and the decolonization of international law and relations with Professor Abdullahi An-Na’im**
March 27, 2007, 7pm
A discussion of the historical roots and regional implications of the crisis in Darfur with Abdullahi Ahmed An-Na’im, Charles Howard Candler Professor of Law at Emory Law School.

**Lobbying at the Capital**
March 28, 2007, 9am
Participants met with professional lobbyist Maggie Garrett to learn about the legislative process and impact of lobbying; then toured the capitol to leave messages for representatives in the Georgia state legislature.

**Human Rights Fair**
March 28, 2007, 12pm
Emory’s Wonderful Wednesday event included a variety of human rights groups from the undergraduate college, various graduate schools and the Atlanta community.

**Democracy, human rights and oil in the Niger Delta region with Dr. Tim Holtz and Ledum Mitee**
March 28, 2007, 4pm
A panel discussion on the interactions between democracy, human rights and oil in Nigeria’s Niger Delta region. Panelists included Ledum Mitee (president of Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People and the Unrepresented Nations and Peoples Organization), Stephen Mills (director of Sierra Club’s International Programs), Timothy Holtz (co-founder of Doctors for Global Health and faculty at the Emory Institute of Human Rights), Kara Philip (Emory staff), Barifaa Kponi (Emory staff), and Monica George-Komi (Emory staff).

**Iranian Dissident Akbar Ganji: Reflections on the Relationship between Religion and Human Rights**
March 28, 2007, 7:30pm
Akbar Ganji is Iran’s leading dissident intellectual, human rights activist and pro-democracy campaigner. He was recently released after six years of imprisonment for his human rights and investigative journalistic work. He is a Gandhian figure of immense importance to the future of Iran and the Muslim world. He is a practicing Muslim, a believer in secular democracy and human rights activist. He will be returning to Iran soon to continue his work and has been told that he will be arrested upon his arrival in Tehran.
“Uganda Rising”  
March 29, 2007, 4pm
The war in northern Uganda has raged for 21 years, making it Africa’s longest running conflict and, as described by one UN official, “the world’s worst neglected humanitarian crisis.” The war has led to the displacement of 1.7 million people, incredibly high mortality rates and the abduction of more than 30,000 children forced to join the Lord’s Resistance Army (LRA) as child soldiers. Uganda Rising attempts to understand this complex conflict in which misunderstanding has led to inaction and apathy by the Ugandan government and the international community. The future of northern Uganda is uncertain as a negotiated ceasefire has recently ended and peace talks are stagnant. A brief discussion on the film and prospects for peace in Uganda will follow the film screening.

John Perkins, author of “Confessions of an Economic Hit Man”  
March 29, 2007, 7pm
John Perkins, author of Confessions of an Economic Hit Man was a former economic hit man whose profession was to cheat countries around the world out of trillions of dollars. In his book Confessions of an Economic Hit Man, he describes how he helped the U.S. cheat poor countries by lending them more money than they could possibly repay and using this leverage to take over their economies. John Perkins will discuss his experiences as an economic hit man, the empire that resulted, and the plan presented in his upcoming book, The Secret History of the American Empire (June 5, 2007), for creating a stable, sustainable, and peaceful world. He will discuss the epiphany that initiated his personal change and the reasons he is optimistic that we can create human societies our children will be proud to inherit. For more information on John Perkins go to http://www.johnperkins.org.

“Unconstitutional”  
March 30, 2007, 4pm
Unconstitutional is the third in a series of Public Interest Pictures films that follows Unprecedented: The 2000 Election and Uncovered: The Whole Truth about the Iraq War. The film provides facts and stories to give background on the U.S. Patriot Act and other administration policies and present the stories behind those affected by these policies, from law-abiding sales clerks to United States Olympians.