

### 1: Could the UK become embroiled in human rights abuses in future? | UK news | The Guardian

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Drafted by representatives with different legal and cultural backgrounds from all regions of the world, the Declaration was proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in Paris on 10 December General Assembly resolution A as a common standard of achievements for all peoples and all nations. It sets out, for the first time, fundamental human rights to be universally protected and it has been translated into over languages. All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood. Everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration, without distinction of any kind, such as race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status. Furthermore, no distinction shall be made on the basis of the political, jurisdictional or international status of the country or territory to which a person belongs, whether it be independent, trust, non-self-governing or under any other limitation of sovereignty. Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person. No one shall be held in slavery or servitude; slavery and the slave trade shall be prohibited in all their forms. No one shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. Everyone has the right to recognition everywhere as a person before the law. All are equal before the law and are entitled without any discrimination to equal protection of the law. All are entitled to equal protection against any discrimination in violation of this Declaration and against any incitement to such discrimination. Everyone has the right to an effective remedy by the competent national tribunals for acts violating the fundamental rights granted him by the constitution or by law. No one shall be subjected to arbitrary arrest, detention or exile. Everyone is entitled in full equality to a fair and public hearing by an independent and impartial tribunal, in the determination of his rights and obligations and of any criminal charge against him. Nor shall a heavier penalty be imposed than the one that was applicable at the time the penal offence was committed. No one shall be subjected to arbitrary interference with his privacy, family, home or correspondence, nor to attacks upon his honour and reputation. Everyone has the right to the protection of the law against such interference or attacks. They are entitled to equal rights as to marriage, during marriage and at its dissolution. Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion; this right includes freedom to change his religion or belief, and freedom, either alone or in community with others and in public or private, to manifest his religion or belief in teaching, practice, worship and observance. Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers. Everyone, as a member of society, has the right to social security and is entitled to realization, through national effort and international co-operation and in accordance with the organization and resources of each State, of the economic, social and cultural rights indispensable for his dignity and the free development of his personality. Everyone has the right to rest and leisure, including reasonable limitation of working hours and periodic holidays with pay. All children, whether born in or out of wedlock, shall enjoy the same social protection. Education shall be free, at least in the elementary and fundamental stages. Elementary education shall be compulsory. Technical and professional education shall be made generally available and higher education shall be equally accessible to all on the basis of merit. It shall promote understanding, tolerance and friendship among all nations, racial or religious groups, and shall further the activities of the United Nations for the maintenance of peace. Everyone is entitled to a social and international order in which the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration can be fully realized. Nothing in this Declaration may be interpreted as implying for any State, group or person any right to engage in any activity or to perform any act aimed at the destruction of any of the rights and freedoms set forth herein.

### 2: Universal Declaration of Human Rights | United Nations

*When Might Becomes Human Right has 2 ratings and 1 review. Michal said: The author presents the argument that moral relativism could (and most likely will).*

History[ edit ] In , Thomas Jefferson proposed a philosophy of human rights inherent to all people in the Declaration of Independence , asserting that "all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. Ellis calls the Declaration "the most quoted statement of human rights in recorded history". A year later, the Declaration of Independence announced that the Thirteen Colonies regarded themselves as independent states, and no longer a part of the British Empire. Some of this conceptualization may have arisen from the significant Quaker segment of the population in the colonies, especially in the Delaware Valley, and their religious views that all human beings, regardless of sex, age, race, or other characteristics, had the same Inner light. Quaker and Quaker-derived views would have informed the drafting and ratification of the Constitution, including through the direct influence of some of the Framers of the Constitution , such as John Dickinson and Thomas Mifflin , who were either Quakers themselves or came from regions founded by or heavily populated with Quakers. As the new Constitution took effect in practice, concern over individual liberties and concentration of power at the federal level, gave rise to the amendment of the Constitution through adoption of the Bill of Rights , the first ten amendments of the Constitution. However, this had little impact on judgements by the courts for the first years after ratification. For example, although women had been voting in some states, such as New Jersey, since the founding of the United States, and prior to that in the colonial era, other states denied them the vote. In Lydia Chapin Taft voted, casting a vote in the local town hall meeting in place of her deceased husband. Through the doctrine of coverture , many states also denied married women the right to own property in their own name, although most allowed single women widowed, divorced or never married the "Person" status of men, sometimes pursuant to the common law concept of a femme sole. Among these amendments was the Fourteenth Amendment , which included an Equal Protection Clause which seemed to clarify that courts and states were prohibited in narrowing the meaning of "Persons". Anthony , buttressed by the equal protection language, voted. She was prosecuted for this, however, and ran into an all-male court ruling that women were not "Persons"; the court levied a fine but it was never collected. In the s, the Burger Court made a series of rulings clarifying that discrimination against women in the status of being Persons violated the Constitution and acknowledged that previous court rulings to the contrary had been Sui generis and an abuse of power. The most often cited of these is Reed v. Reed , which held that any discrimination against either sex in the rights associated with Person status must meet a strict scrutiny standard. The s also saw the adoption of the Twenty-sixth Amendment , which prohibited discrimination on the basis of age, for Persons 18 years old and over, in voting. Other attempts to address the developmental distinction between children and adults in Person status and rights have been addressed mostly by the Supreme Court, with the Court recognizing in , in Miller v. Alabama a political and biological principle that children are different from adults. In the members of the United Nations organization completed the drafting of its founding text – the United Nations Charter: The USA played a significant role in this process. Similarly, for the United States government and its citizens, much remained uncertain about the future impact, force, and reach of international human rights. Eventually the United States had not yet developed a policy approach regarding whether or not it would recognize international human rights within a domestic context. Now that the United States had successfully adopted the UDHR, obviously it seemed like human rights would play a leading part in domestic law within the US. Still there was harsh controversy over the question whether to apply international law on the inner-land-basis. Fitzpatrick won the Pulitzer Prize for editorial writing in ; in his editorials he had repeatedly warned against international human rights overthrowing the supreme law of the land. Over the past few decades, the United States government has often held itself up as a strong supporter of human rights in the international arena. Nonetheless, in the view of the government human rights are still rather an international than a domestic phenomenon – representing more of choice than obligation. Conflict between the human rights of the child

and those of a mother or father who wishes to leave the country without paying child support or doing the personal work of child care for his child can be considered to be a question of negative and positive rights. The Essential Reference, "the American Declaration of Independence was the first civic document that met a modern definition of human rights. The Ninth Amendment and Fourteenth Amendment recognized that not all human rights were enumerated in the original United States Constitution. The scope of the legal protections of human rights afforded by the US government is defined by case law, particularly by the precedent of the Supreme Court of the United States. Within the federal government, the debate about what may or may not be an emerging human right is held in two forums: Additionally, individual states, through court action or legislation, have often protected human rights not recognized at federal level. For example, Massachusetts was the first of several states to recognize same sex marriage. Non-self-executing treaties, which ascribe rights that under the constitution may be assigned by law, require legislative action to execute the contract treaty before it becomes a part of domestic law. Treaties regarding human rights, which create a duty to refrain from acting in a particular manner or confer specific rights, are generally held to be self-executing, requiring no further legislative action. In cases where legislative bodies refuse to recognize otherwise self-executing treaties by declaring them to be non-self-executing in an act of legislative non-recognition, constitutional scholars argue that such acts violate the separation of powers" in cases of controversy, the judiciary, not Congress, has the authority under Article III to apply treaty law to cases before the court. This is a key provision in cases where the Congress declares a human rights treaty to be non-self-executing, for example, by contending it does not add anything to human rights under U. The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights is one such case, which, while ratified after more than two decades of inaction, was done so with reservations, understandings, and declarations. Therefore, if a human rights treaty has been ratified by the U.

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Intelligence officers were giving consent, or watching the torture, or supplying questions and receiving answers. We also know why the intelligence and security committee ISC believes this happened. Initially, individual officers lacked training and experience. Nobody wanted to deter the US from sharing intelligence. By , the report said, senior people in government could no longer ignore what was happening. MI5 helped finance a rendition operation in June . In October , the then foreign secretary, Jack Straw , authorised the payment of a large share of the cost of rendering two people from one country to another. Who was to blame? Beyond this, responsibility remains obscure. May prevented the committee from interviewing junior officers, so we will never know what pressure they might have come under from middle-ranking officers. Similarly, middle-ranking officers were barred from speaking about senior officers. What the ISC did find was evidence that the agencies did not tell ministers what they knew about the mistreatment of terrorism suspects for years after 11 September, and ministers appear rarely to have asked. What is the risk of it happening again? The committee points out the document supposed to help prevent this from happening – a paper known as consolidated guidance – contains no guidance. Rather, it appears to be more of a tool for public reassurance. MI5 , MI6 and the Ministry of Defence have been drawing upon this document more than 11 times a week in recent years as they work out whether they should proceed to feed questions to be put to a detainee at risk of being tortured or mistreated. But when the committee asked how often these cases were escalated to government ministers – a signal that intelligence officers were concerned the detainee was about to be hurt – its members were told nobody had kept the figures. On rendition, the committee is even more concerned. Its chairman, Dominic Grieve, said: We are unconvinced that the government recognises the seriousness of rendition. This does not amount to a licence to kill, or even torture, say the intelligence agency heads. Oh yes it does, say those who had a hand in drafting the law. Over the years, when the UK and its interests have come under threat – in Cyprus, Kenya, Aden and Northern Ireland – the state has found this ambiguity extraordinarily useful. It may be that the preservation of such legal and moral flexibility requires there to be no prosecutions. Nobody appeared in court following the torture of the so-called hooded men in Northern Ireland, for example, or after abuses at Fort Morbut in Aden.

### 4: Janne Haaland Matlary (Author of When Might Becomes Human Right)

*Janne Haaland Matlary has devoted her life to questions of ethics and www.enganchecubano.com preoccupation has become extraordinarily relevant to many of the issues that dominate the contemporary political agenda; particularly in Europe where the debate over relativism, human rights and majority tyranny has become a vital concern to very many of its citizens.*

The history of human rights has not been entirely progressive. Many established rights would be replaced by other less tolerant systems. Stable institutions may be uprooted such as in cases of conflict such as war and terrorism. The Northeast African civilization of Ancient Egypt [18] supported basic human rights. The Cyrus Cylinder is a clay tablet created in B. Following the reportedly destructive Kalinga War, Ashoka adopted Buddhism and abandoned an expansionist policy in favor of humanitarian reforms. In Britain in , the English Bill of Rights and the Scottish Claim of Right each made illegal a range of oppressive governmental actions. Additionally, the Virginia Declaration of Rights of encoded into law a number of fundamental civil rights and civil freedoms. We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. Hegel during the 18th and 19th centuries. Although the term had been used by at least one author as early as This was achieved across the British Empire by the Slave Trade Act , which was enforced internationally by the Royal Navy under treaties Britain negotiated with other nations, [28] and the Slavery Abolition Act In the United States, all the northern states had abolished the institution of slavery between and , although southern states clung tightly to the "peculiar institution". During the reconstruction period immediately following the war, several amendments to the United States Constitution were made. These included the 13th amendment , banning slavery, the 14th amendment , assuring full citizenship and civil rights to all people born in the United States, and the 15th amendment , guaranteeing African Americans the right to vote. In Russia , the reformer Tsar Alexander II ended serfdom in , [6] although the freed serfs often faced restrictions of their mobility within the nation. Many groups and movements have achieved profound social changes over the course of the 20th century in the name of human rights. In Europe and North America, labour unions brought about laws granting workers the right to strike, establishing minimum work conditions and forbidding or regulating child labour. National liberation movements in many countries succeeded in driving out colonial powers. Movements by long-oppressed racial and religious minorities succeeded in many parts of the world, among them the civil rights movement , and more recent movements, on behalf of women and minorities in the United States. The establishment of the International Committee of the Red Cross , the Lieber Code and the first of the Geneva Conventions in laid the foundations of International humanitarian law , to be further developed following the two World Wars. Enshrined in its charter was a mandate to promote many of the rights later included in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The United Nations has played an important role in international human-rights law since its creation. Following the World Wars, the United Nations and its members developed much of the discourse and the bodies of law that now make up international humanitarian law and international human rights law. Analyst Belinda Cooper argued that human rights organisations flourished in the s, possibly as a result of the dissolution of the western and eastern Cold War blocs. It was seen as the answer to the UDHR. True religion is the guarantee for enhancing such dignity along the path to human integrity. Philosophy of human rights The philosophy of human rights attempts to examine the underlying basis of the concept of human rights and critically looks at its content and justification. Several theoretical approaches have been advanced to explain how and why human rights have become a part of social expectations. One of the oldest Western philosophies of human rights is that they are a product of a natural law, stemming from different philosophical or religious grounds. Other theories hold that human rights codify moral behaviour which is a human social product developed by a process of biological and social evolution associated with Hume. Human rights are also described as a sociological pattern of rule setting as in the sociological theory of law and the work of Weber. These approaches include the notion that individuals in a society accept rules from legitimate authority in exchange for security and economic

advantage as in Rawls' a social contract. The two theories that dominate contemporary human rights discussion are the interest theory and the will theory. Interest theory argues that the principal function of human rights is to protect and promote certain essential human interests, while will theory attempts to establish the validity of human rights based on the unique human capacity for freedom. At an international level the most common categorisation of human rights has been to split them into civil and political rights, and economic, social and cultural rights. Indivisibility The UDHR included both economic, social and cultural rights and civil and political rights because it was based on the principle that the different rights could only successfully exist in combination: The ideal of free human beings enjoying civil and political freedom and freedom from fear and want can only be achieved if conditions are created whereby everyone may enjoy his civil and political rights, as well as his social, economic and cultural rights. Similarly, without livelihoods and a working society, the public cannot assert or make use of civil or political rights known as the full belly thesis. The indivisibility and interdependence of all human rights has been confirmed by the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action: All human rights are universal, indivisible and interdependent and related. The international community must treat human rights globally in a fair and equal manner, on the same footing, and with the same emphasis. Although accepted by the signatories to the UDHR, most do not in practice give equal weight to the different types of rights. Some Western cultures have often given priority to civil and political rights, sometimes at the expense of economic and social rights such as the right to work, to education, health and housing. Similarly the ex Soviet bloc countries and Asian countries have tended to give priority to economic, social and cultural rights, but have often failed to provide civil and political rights. Categorisation Opponents of the indivisibility of human rights argue that economic, social and cultural rights are fundamentally different from civil and political rights and require completely different approaches. Similarly civil and political rights are categorized as: Out of these generations, the third generation is the most debated and lacks both legal and political recognition. This categorisation is at odds with the indivisibility of rights, as it implicitly states that some rights can exist without others. Prioritisation of rights for pragmatic reasons is however a widely accepted necessity. American human rights scholar Philip Alston argues: If every possible human rights element is deemed to be essential or necessary, then nothing will be treated as though it is truly important. The term inalienable rights or unalienable rights refers to "a set of human rights that are fundamental, are not awarded by human power, and cannot be surrendered. International human rights law In the aftermath of the atrocities of World War II, there was increased concern for the social and legal protection of human rights as fundamental freedoms. The foundation of the United Nations and the provisions of the United Nations Charter provided a basis for a comprehensive system of international law and practice for the protection of human rights. Since then, international human rights law has been characterised by a linked system of conventions, treaties, organisations, and political bodies, rather than any single entity or set of laws. Human traffickers, almost invariably operating with the protection of corrupt local officials and police, enslave children and young women in the sex trade. So long as the regimes that sponsor and protect these criminals remain in power, their crimes go unrecognized.

### 5: How to Become a Human Rights Lawyer – Human Rights Careers

*When Might Becomes Human Right* by Professor Janne Haaland Matlary starting at \$ *When Might Becomes Human Right* has 1 available editions to buy at Alibris.

Britain loves them, of course. To say I had mixed feelings when the government held a Windrush 70th anniversary celebration at 10 Downing Street last week is a bit of an understatement. Theresa May was clearly not going to let the denial of basic rights to hundreds of Windrush-generation Britons get in the way of having a good party. Its often-forgotten context was another milestone from Most of us know the basics of the rights it enshrined, such as the right to life or liberty or protection from torture. But how many of us are aware of the link with the NHS? Socioeconomic rights, guaranteeing a minimum level of welfare and access to resources, were a core part of the vision. Far from dismissing these as a nice idea, as we tend to now, Britain was making them a reality, with the radical creation of an institution that made healthcare free and universal. All three of these anniversaries are linked. The NHS was one of its key pillars. Fast-forward to , and human rights have become the kryptonite of the populist west. In Britain they represent, in the eyes of a significant faction of our ruling party and our media, a charter for undeserving minorities who are wrongly prioritised over hardworking Britons by an ultra-liberal, European, judicial elite. In Hungary they represent a threat to white, Christian, Hungarian culture, by protecting the asylum claims of people who are neither white, Christian nor Hungarian. At the root of these suspicions is a sense of having been left behind: This can be perception as much as actual experience. Hungary has taken the most dramatic counter-human rights steps against immigrants , despite having relatively few, just as those parts of Britain most worried about immigration have experienced the lowest amount of it. In , socioeconomic rights meant access to a fair wage, good housing, healthcare and education for the masses, not just protection against violations for minorities. It was acknowledged then that freedom without the economic means to live a dignified life is no freedom at all. The past is a foreign country. We would not have agreed to a declaration placing socioeconomic rights on an equal footing with political and civil rights. Western nations are as reliant on immigration as ever but are less willing than ever to acknowledge this reality – a fact that a few glasses of Windrush-inspired bubbly at Downing Street does little to conceal. Instead they have fanned the flames of populism among disenfranchised voters who, ironically, would have benefited from the rights conferred 70 years ago, had they been implemented in the redistributive way in which they were conceived, but now are among their most vocal enemies. This year is the 40th anniversary of another milestone, the Alma-Ata declaration. In the World Health Organization declared that primary healthcare should be freely available to everyone in the world by the year In hindsight, that seems so sweet. It required, these idealistic WHO members sensed, a shift from militarisation to peace, a redistribution of power from the global north to the global south, and a New International Economic Order NIEO. But it was right. The kind of equality people now yearn for would have required nothing less than a total reimagining of global financial systems, resource distribution and power. Instead, Alma-Ata was just another utopian vision quickly shelved as rising inflation, debt crises and recessions solidified neoliberalism in the global north and ushered in devastating structural adjustment policies in the south, making access to free universal healthcare a distant dream. In this bumper year of anniversaries, we can look back at how that unrestrained neoliberalism swallowed the dreams of the 20th century and co-opted human rights along the way. And at how, in a coup for populist propaganda, the bogeyman that emerged in the 21st century was not this neoliberal order, but the rights it hijacked to such great effect. This has been corrected to say the spirit that produced the NHS was also behind the declaration.

### 6: Human Rights Issues – Global Issues

*Human rights are moral principles or norms that describe certain standards of human behaviour and are regularly protected as natural and legal rights in municipal and international law.*

It will be a point of reference for years to come and induce real change on the ground. Instead, the agreement propagates the radical idea that migration -- for any reason -- is something that needs to be promoted, enabled and protected. The UN has denied that migration is being made into a human right. The UN has no interest in admitting that the agreement promotes migration as a human right; until recently there has been little debate about it. More debate might risk jeopardizing the entire project. The wording of the agreement, as documented below, leaves little doubt, however, that with the signing of the agreement, migration will indeed become a human right. The agreement is divided into 23 objectives toward which the signatories apparently wish to work. Objective number three, for instance, envisions the promotion and enabling of migration through a number of means. Signatory states commit to: The service level envisioned to facilitate more migration is also high. Countries are called upon to: Borders may exist in theory, but the UN -- comprising nearly all governments of the world -- is working hard at making them disappear in practice. Migrants, according to the agreement, must also be "empowered to realize full inclusion and social cohesion" in their new countries. This means, among other things, that countries must: The agreement goes on to enumerate the work that states must initiate to accommodate migrants. In addition, the host country should facilitate "access to decent work and employment for which they are most qualified, in accordance with local and national labour market demands and skills supply. Europeans, of course, will have to pay for all of this out of their tax money. The authors of the agreement evidently do not expect it to go down all that well with their populations. An agreement to facilitate mass migration into primarily Western countries from the rest of the world there is no migration to speak of in the opposite direction may prove a bit much for people in the West. The agreement therefore clearly signals that any disagreement with the agenda will not be accepted and that the signatory states will work to dispel "misleading narratives that generate negative perceptions of migrants. Almost all UN member states will sign an agreement that says media outlets that disagree with government policies will not be eligible for public funding? On top of this, the agreement claims, bizarrely, that it is being written "in full respect for the freedom of the media", as if that is going to make anyone actually believe it. Second, the signatory states commit to: What, for example, is "related intolerance"? Is criticism of UN migration policies, for instance, "intolerance"? Recently, however, more states have announced that they are withdrawing from the agreement. In July, Hungary withdrew from the agreement. Its main premise is that migration is a good and inevitable phenomenon. We consider migration a bad process, which has extremely serious security implications. If you are "cracking down" on migration, why are you signing agreements that will facilitate and exponentiate it as a human right?

### 7: When Might Becomes Human Right by Janne Haaland Matlary - Paperback | Souq - UAE

*With more than billion people worldwide living without access to proper toilets, the UN has recognised sanitation as a separate human right.*

Magazine How to Become a Human Rights Lawyer Becoming a human rights lawyer means advocating for people who have suffered from injustices, persecution, torture and civil rights violations in their respective countries. This often includes taking on cases to protect the legal rights of marginalized groups and individuals, such as national minorities, indigenous groups, women, war victims, refugees, members of the LGBTI communities etc. As a human rights lawyer you have to choose and establish your area of expertise whether that is the right to life, education, freedom of expression, housing, medical treatment or something else. Depending on your area of interest in human rights, once you become a human rights lawyer you may focus your work on either domestic or international human rights issues. You may end up working for non-governmental organizations or government agencies. The opportunities are global and endless. However, becoming a human rights lawyer requires years of learning and dedication. Therefore, this article offers a few tips that you have to keep on mind if you consider becoming a human rights lawyer.

**Earn a Law Degree** There is no special exam or test that you have to pass in order to become a human rights lawyer. You have to be able to build a resume that reflects a commitment to human rights issues. During your studies, you should attend courses that are closely related to issues pertaining to human rights as well as courses that set the baseline for you to be able to practice human rights law in the future. One of the examples is taking a course on constitutional law. In addition, you should follow courses that closely relate to issues regarding human rights violations, such as civil rights law, race and the law, education law and family law. There are many legal areas that intersect with human rights. If you are passionate about specific group whose human rights are put in danger, you should be able to choose minor in that field. One of the advantages would also be to participate in debate clubs that could help you advance your skills that you will need as a future lawyer. After you have earned your degree, the last step is to pass a bar exam in your country or in a country you choose to live in in order to be able to practice law.

**Choose Your Area of Interest** Being a human rights lawyers means challenging issues of discrimination and defending the rights and freedoms of vulnerable groups and ordinary citizens before the courts. Human rights are present in several legal disciplines such as public law, immigration, family, housing, business law and employment. Human rights lawyers are often law firm associates, non-governmental managers, governmental civil servants and legal officers working at international organizations. It is really important for you to realize which specific area of human rights law you want to practice in the future and concentrate majority of your studies on that. Lawyers who deal with human rights usually specialize in a range of areas such as mental health, environment law, public law, war crimes, criminal justice, immigration, property. There are many options amongst which you can choose the one that suits you the best.

**Gain Experience** It is important that you gain practical experience in the human rights area during and after your studies. You should tailor your studies towards human rights work as early as possible. One of the possibilities is to volunteer for human rights organizations or participate in legal human rights clinics during your studies. Such entities are usually non-profit and non-governmental organizations that will help you understand the needs of the people human rights law is designed to protect. However, you have to keep in mind that if you plan to work in this sector as a human rights lawyer, non-governmental organizations often prefer hiring lawyers who have in depth knowledge and experience in one issue. Therefore, try to keep your volunteer work on a particular interest rather than working with anyone who agrees to take you. Another way to engage in human rights law is to seek out pro bono experience. For example, you can do this at your local law centers where you will be working with members of vulnerable groups, who are often unable to afford a lawyer. However, if you are interested to work at the law firm that operates in the field of human rights, you could create a list of law firms that operate in your focus area and then apply for internships or jobs. Besides that, it is also important that you meet with people who work in the same field who will be able to mentor you and give you advice on your future career. International human

rights law is concerned with enforcing laws designed to promote and protect human rights at the international, regional and national levels. Pursuing an international career may seem dazzling. This often means taking on high profile cases and safeguarding rights and freedoms of those no matter where they are in the world as well as providing expertise and support in strategic human rights litigation. However, to be an international human rights lawyer you have to speak several languages such as French, Arabic and Spanish and have a strong background in international law. Similar to domestic law, you will have to choose to specialize in a specific area. In addition, you should try to get into a top rated master international law programs where you will be able to meet and learn from already established international professionals. You can also choose to work for government agencies and private firms that practice international law. Being a human rights lawyer means you are not in it for the money but for the people.

### 8: Human rights - Wikipedia

*However, in order to become a human rights lawyer, you first must earn a bachelor's degree in law and become a solicitor, a barrister or a jurist and then you choose to take on human rights cases. You have to be able to build a resume that reflects a commitment to human rights issues.*

The General Idea of Human Rights This section attempts to explain the generic idea of human rights by identifying four defining features. The goal is to answer the question of what human rights are with a general description of the concept rather than a list of specific rights. Two people can have the same general idea of human rights even though they disagree about which rights belong on a list of such rights and even about whether universal moral rights exist. This four-part explanation attempts to cover all kinds of human rights including both moral and legal human rights and both old and new human rights e. The explanation anticipates, however, that particular kinds of human rights will have additional features. Starting with this generic concept does not commit us to treating all kinds of human rights in a single unified theory see Buchanan for an argument that we should not attempt to theorize together universal moral rights and international legal human rights. Lest we miss the obvious, human rights are rights see the entry on rights and Cruft Most if not all human rights are claim rights that impose duties or responsibilities on their addressees or dutybearers. Rights focus on a freedom, protection, status, or benefit for the rightholders Beitz The duties associated with human rights often require actions involving respect, protection, facilitation, and provision. Rights are usually mandatory in the sense of imposing duties on their addressees, but some legal human rights seem to do little more than declare high-priority goals and assign responsibility for their progressive realization. One can argue, of course, that goal-like rights are not real rights, but it may be better to recognize that they comprise a weak but useful notion of a right See Beitz for a defense of the view that not all human rights are rights in a strong sense. A human rights advocate might wish to see human rights exist in all four ways See Section 2. If someone accepted that there are human rights but held that there is only one of them, this might make sense if she meant that there is one abstract underlying right that generates a list of specific rights See Dworkin for a view of this sort. But if this person meant that there is just one such specific right such as the right to peaceful assembly this would be a highly revisionary view. Human rights address a variety of specific problems such as guaranteeing fair trials, ending slavery, ensuring the availability of education, and preventing genocide. Some philosophers advocate very short lists of human rights but nevertheless accept plurality see Joshua Cohen and Ignatieff All living humansâ€”or perhaps all living personsâ€”have human rights. One does not have to be a particular kind of person or a member of some specific nation or religion to have human rights. Included in the idea of universality is some conception of independent existence. People have human rights independently of whether they are found in the practices, morality, or law of their country or culture. This idea of universality needs several qualifications, however. Second, the human right to freedom of movement may be taken away temporarily from a person who is convicted of committing a serious crime. And third, some human rights treaties focus on the rights of vulnerable groups such as minorities, women, indigenous peoples, and children. If human rights did not have high priority they would not have the ability to compete with other powerful considerations such as national stability and security, individual and national self-determination, and national and global prosperity. High priority does not mean, however, that human rights are absolute. Further, there seems to be priority variation within human rights. For example, when the right to life conflicts with the right to privacy, the latter will generally be outweighed. Should human rights be defined as inalienable? Inalienability does not mean that rights are absolute or can never be overridden by other considerations. Rather it means that its holder cannot lose it temporarily or permanently by bad conduct or by voluntarily giving it up. It is doubtful that all human rights are inalienable in this sense. Perhaps it is sufficient to say that human rights are very hard to lose. For a stronger view of inalienability, see Donnelly , Should human rights be defined as minimal rights? A number of philosophers have proposed the view that human rights are minimal in the sense of not being too numerous a few dozen rights rather than hundreds or thousands , and not being too demanding See Joshua Cohen , Ignatieff , Nickel , and Rawls Their views

suggest that human rights are "or should be" more concerned with avoiding the worst than with achieving the best. When human rights are modest standards they leave most legal and policy matters open to democratic decision-making at the national and local levels. This allows them to have high priority, to accommodate a great deal of cultural and institutional variation, and to leave open a large space for democratic decision-making at the national level. Still, there is no contradiction in the idea of an extremely expansive list of human rights and hence minimalism is not a defining feature of human rights for criticism of the view that human rights are minimal standards see Brems and Raz. Minimalism is best seen as a normative prescription for what international human rights should be. Moderate forms of minimalism have considerable appeal, but not as part of the definition of human rights. Should human rights be defined as always including moral rights? Philosophers coming to human rights theory from ethics sometimes assume that human rights must be, at bottom, moral rather than legal rights. There is no contradiction, however, in people saying that they believe in human rights, but only when they are legal rights at the national or international levels. Theorists who insist that the only human rights are legal rights may find, however, that the interpretations they can give of characteristics such as the universality of human rights and of their independent existence are fairly weak. Should human rights be defined in terms of serving some sort of political function? Instead of seeing human rights as grounded in some sort of independently existing moral reality, a theorist might see them as the norms of a highly useful political practice that humans have constructed or evolved. Such a view would see the idea of human rights as playing various political roles at the national and international levels and as serving thereby to protect urgent human or national interests. These political roles might include providing standards for international evaluations of how governments treat their people and as helping to specify when use of economic sanctions or military intervention is permissible. There are powerful advocates of this sort of view see Rawls and Beitz ; see also the entry on John Rawls. These theorists would add to the four defining elements above some set of political roles or functions. This view may be plausible for the very salient international human rights that have emerged in international law and politics in the last fifty years. But human rights can exist and function in contexts not involving international scrutiny and intervention such as a world with only one state. Imagine, for example, that an asteroid strike had killed everyone in all countries except New Zealand, leaving it the only state in existence. Surely the idea of human rights as well as many dimensions of human rights practice could continue in New Zealand, even though there would be no international relations, law, or politics for an argument of this sort see Tasioulas. And if a few people were discovered to have survived in Iceland and were living without a government or state, New Zealanders would know that human rights governed how these people should be treated even though they were stateless. How deeply the idea of human rights must be rooted in international law and practice should not be settled by definitional fiat. We can allow, however, that the sorts of political functions that Rawls and Beitz describe are typically served by international human rights today. The most obvious way in which human rights exist is as norms of national and international law created by enactment and judicial decisions. At the international level, human rights norms exist because of treaties that have turned them into international law. For example, the human right not to be held in slavery or servitude in Article 4 of the European Convention and in Article 8 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights exists because these treaties establish it. For example, the right against slavery exists in the United States because the 13th Amendment to the U. Constitution prohibits slavery and servitude. When rights are embedded in international law we speak of them as human rights; but when they are enacted in national law we more frequently describe them as civil or constitutional rights. Enactment in national and international law is one of the ways in which human rights exist. But many have suggested that this is not the only way. If human rights exist only because of enactment, their availability is contingent on domestic and international political developments. Many people have looked for a way to support the idea that human rights have roots that are deeper and less subject to human decisions than legal enactment. One version of this idea is that people are born with rights, that human rights are somehow innate or inherent in human beings see Morsink. One way that a normative status could be inherent in humans is by being God-given. On this view, God, the supreme lawmaker, enacted some basic human rights. Rights plausibly attributed to divine decree must be very general and abstract life, liberty, etc. But contemporary

human rights are specific and many of them presuppose contemporary institutions e. Even if people are born with God-given natural rights, we need to explain how to get from those general and abstract rights to the specific rights found in contemporary declarations and treaties. Billions of people do not believe in the God of Christianity, Islam, and Judaism. If people do not believe in God, or in the sort of god that prescribes rights, then if you want to base human rights on theological beliefs you must persuade these people of a rights-supporting theological view. This is likely to be even harder than persuading them of human rights. Legal enactment at the national and international levels provides a far more secure status for practical purposes. Human rights could also exist independently of legal enactment by being part of actual human moralities. All human groups seem to have moralities: These moralities contain specific norms for example, a prohibition of the intentional murder of an innocent person and specific values for example, valuing human life. One way in which human rights could exist apart from divine or human enactment is as norms accepted in all or almost all actual human moralities. If almost all human groups have moralities containing norms prohibiting murder, these norms could constitute the human right to life. Human rights can be seen as basic moral norms shared by all or almost all accepted human moralities. This view is attractive but has serious difficulties. Although worldwide acceptance of human rights has been increasing rapidly in recent decades see 4. Universal Human Rights in a World of Diverse Beliefs and Practices , worldwide moral unanimity about human rights does not exist. Human rights declarations and treaties are intended to change existing norms, not just describe the existing moral consensus. Yet another way of explaining the existence of human rights is to say that they exist most basically in true or justified ethical outlooks. On this account, to say that there is a human right against torture is mainly to assert that there are strong reasons for believing that it is always wrong to engage in torture and that protections should be provided against its practice. This approach would view the Universal Declaration as attempting to formulate a justified political morality. It was not merely trying to identify a preexisting moral consensus; it was also trying to create a consensus that could be supported by very plausible moral and practical reasons. This approach requires commitment to the objectivity of such reasons. It holds that just as there are reliable ways of finding out how the physical world works, or what makes buildings sturdy and durable, there are ways of finding out what individuals may justifiably demand of each other and of governments. Even if unanimity about human rights is currently lacking, rational agreement is available to humans if they will commit themselves to open-minded and serious moral and political inquiry. If moral reasons exist independently of human construction, they canâ€™ when combined with premises about current institutions, problems, and resourcesâ€™ generate moral norms different from those currently accepted or enacted. The Universal Declaration seems to proceed on exactly this assumption see Morsink One problem with this view is that existence as good reasons seems a rather thin form of existence for human rights.

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