

## **MAHG COURSE DESCRIPTIONS – FALL 2022**

### **MAHG 5014: INTRODUCTION TO GRADUATE STUDIES**

Designed to prepare students for the experience of graduate study, this course orients students to the culture and expectations both of the MAHG program and of graduate school more broadly. Emphasis is placed on developing and strengthening the skills necessary for success in an interdisciplinary graduate program.

### **MAHG 5064: INTRODUCTION TO HOLOCAUST AND GENOCIDE STUDIES**

This course will introduce students to using a variety of primary sources and data to explore key issues and debates in scholarship on modern mass violence. The course will address racism, colonialism, destruction of indigenous societies, slavery, nationalism, social relation in extremis, and state violence. Students will also consider how global Holocaust memory has shaped the scholarly use of key concepts such as genocide, memory, reparations, justice, bystanders, security, and human security.

### **MAHG 5065: INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS SEMINAR**

This course provides a comprehensive overview of the field of international human rights. Students will analyze the contemporary debates surrounding human rights, especially regarding their origins, universalism, and relativism in connection to today's international system. Students will also be exposed to regional and national trends of human rights promotion around the world. The seminar will also discuss scholarship that examines the tensions of prioritizing civil and political rights over economic and social rights. Finally, the seminar studies the major international institutions, political process, and procedures by which human rights norms are established and enforces.

### **MAHG 5068: HOLOCAUST AND GENOCIDE EDUCATION**

This course will examine the recurrent challenges to Holocaust and Genocide education: What are the fundamentals of Holocaust and Genocide education? What are students taking away from their courses on the Holocaust and genocide? To address these questions, the students will explore the variety of existing curricula for different age groups and will create their own curricula, including pedagogical objectives, topics, teaching strategies, and modes of assessment. Guest speakers will discuss their experiences dealing with these difficult histories in high school and college classrooms and highlight the essential questions that have guided their curricula and the strategies they have used to encourage interaction among students. There will be special attention paid to the recent digital strategies that have evolved to accommodate the growing number of online courses.

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**COURSES IN THE MASTER OF ARTS IN HOLOCAUST AND  
GENOCIDE (MAHG) PROGRAM AND THE GENOCIDE PREVENTION  
CERTIFICATE (GPC) PROGRAM**

The MAHG degree requires the completion of 35 credits and the submission of a master's thesis or capstone project: one 3-credit core courses (Introduction to Holocaust and Genocide Studies), two 1-credit required courses (Introduction to Graduate Studies and Thesis/Capstone Proposal), one 3-credit methods course (Research Methods in Holocaust and Genocide Studies), one or two 3-credit thesis or capstone courses, and eight or seven 3-credit elective courses. All the online courses in the Genocide Prevention Certificate (GPC) program count as MAHG electives and are open to MAHG students. Please refer to the GPC website. The MAHG program accepts up to 9 credits of appropriate graduate study from other colleges and universities as MAHG electives, subject to approval by the MAHG Director.

**Fall 2022****September 6 – December 16, 2022****MAHG 5014: Introduction to Graduate Studies with  
Dr. Christina Morus  
Thursdays, 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
E-206 (Holocaust Resource Center)****MAHG 5064: Introduction to Holocaust and Genocide Studies with  
Dr. Christina Morus  
Tuesdays, 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
West Quad-104****MAHG 5065: International Human Rights Seminar with  
Dr. Lauren Balasco  
Mondays, 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
E-206 (Holocaust Resource Center)****MAHG 5068: Holocaust and Genocide Studies Education with  
Dr. Mary Johnson  
Online Asynchronous****(OVER)**