

**MULTIDISCIPLINARY ACADEMIC PROGRAM IN HUMAN RIGHTS**  
***HUMAN RIGHTS SCHOLAR APPLICATION FALL 2022***

**Program Description:** The Multidisciplinary Academic Program in Human Rights seeks to equip students with the academic foundations from which to engage meaningfully with human rights scholarship and practice. The Program is based on an understanding that human rights constitutes a rich and interdisciplinary field of study, drawing on bodies of work in anthropology, area studies, economics, history, law, literature, philosophy, political science, and many other fields. The Program provides students with relevant analytical, conceptual, and practical skills; connects students to affiliated faculty and peers; supports student research projects and internship opportunities; and offers coherent career guidance in the field.

**Eligibility:** All members of the Class of 2025 (sophomores) who will be enrolled at Yale during spring 2023 are eligible to apply. Please note that students from the Class of 2025 who are not enrolled during fall 2022 (rising sophomores) *are still eligible* to apply to the Program as long as they plan to enroll for the spring semester.

To accept a place in the Program’s 2025 cohort, you must be enrolled at Yale in the spring of 2022. If you apply and later realize that you will not be enrolling next semester, we ask that you contact us at [humanrights.program@yale.edu](mailto:humanrights.program@yale.edu) to withdraw yourself from consideration. If you are offered a place in the Program and then choose not to enroll at Yale next semester, we cannot hold your spot in the Program and you will need to reapply upon your return.

**Please compile your completed application, an unofficial copy of your transcript, and your resume in that order in one pdf file titled “Last name\_ First Name\_Application 2022.” Submit it via Google form at <https://forms.gle/T3qpUtBBPfgizG2d6> (this link is also available on our website) by 11:59 PM on Tuesday, October 25, 2022.**

**I. Basic Information**

Name:

Yale Email:

Major (or intended major or undecided):

Expected Date of Graduation:

Residential College:

**II. Statement of Interest**

Describe your interest in the Human Rights Program. Possible items to mention are your primary area or areas of interest in human rights, what motivates your interest, the goals you hope to achieve with your human rights studies, a possible subject for your Capstone Project (this is not a commitment and need not be fully developed), how being a Human Rights Scholar would complement your other academic or extracurricular work at Yale, and any thoughts you might

have at this time about how the study of human rights might relate to your career plans or to plans for advanced studies. (500 words maximum)

### **III. Statement Reflecting on a Past Experience**

Briefly discuss an academic or extracurricular experience related to human rights that has been meaningful for you. You might, for example, reflect on a research project, an internship, participation in advocacy, or a book you read or a film you watched. Describe the experience and what you learned from it or how it affected you or your perspective on human rights. (250 words maximum)

### **IV. Relevant Courses**

Identify four or five courses being taught in the 2022-2023 academic year that you would be interested in taking as part of your study of human rights. You do not have to limit yourself to the courses listed on the website as eligible to meet the Program's elective requirement. We would just like to get a sense of the kinds of issues and subjects that compel you, and your selections will not bind your choices for future coursework in the Program. List only the course titles; do not provide an explanation of why you are interested in taking them.

### **V. Faculty Reference**

Provide the name of one or two Yale faculty members the selection committee can contact about your academic work. Please do **not** submit a written recommendation.