



CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

SUMMER SCHOOL ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND CRIMINAL LAW

Ohrid, 27 June – 3 July 2017

The Goce Delcev University of Štip, The State University of Tetovo and The Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje, with the support of the OSCE Mission to Skopje announce a call for participation at the **Summer School on Human Rights and Criminal Law**.

The aim of the school is to increase student knowledge in areas of Human Rights and Criminal Law and train students on how to deal with the existing challenges in these areas as future law practitioners. The school also aims to raise participants' awareness on the instances and the effects of discrimination, hate speech and hate crime, as well as on the societal benefits of the ethnic, linguistic and religious diversity.

Objectives of the Summer School:

- To enhance students' knowledge in the sphere of human rights, efficient institutions, efficient political decision-making, criminal law and good governance models and interethnic relations;
- To enhance students' skills to effectively identify the key challenges in the sphere of Human Rights and Criminal Law and propose models on how to overcome them;
- To sensitize students and raise their awareness on issues relating to anti-discrimination, reducing hate speech, hate crime and respect for the ethnical, linguistic and religious diversity.
- To develop students' critical thinking skills in the process of studying topics of legal and political sciences and sociology;
- To enable networking of students from different law faculties, eventually leading to future activities initiated and implemented by the students themselves; and
- To accumulate and transfer ECTS credits across universities.

Target group - The Summer School caters to students of a first cycle regular degree programme at state and private law faculties in the country.

A total of 50 students will be selected, of which 14 students each from the three partner law faculties - Goce Delcev University of Štip, State University of Tetovo and Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje, and 8 students each from the remainder of the law faculties within the state and private universities in the country.

Duration and location – The Summer School will be in duration of 7 days, from 27 June to 3 July 2017, and will take place in Hotel Klimetica Ohrid.

Language of instruction – Macedonian and Albanian, with knowledge of English language. Simultaneous translation will be provided during the sessions.

Topics – The Summer School will address topics relating to human rights, including protection from discrimination, hate speech and hate crime, rights of women and people with disabilities, right to work as well as topics of criminal substantive and procedural law and multiculturalism. More specifically, the Summer School will be divided in two separate sections, each relating to Human Rights and Criminal Law respectively.

Transfer of ECTS and Diploma Supplement – Given the complementarity of the topics of the Summer School with some of the courses taught at the degree programmes at the law faculties (Constitutional Law, Political System, Human Rights, Sociology of Law, Civil Society, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure, Criminal Procedure, Public International Law, etc.) the students will be able to acquire a number of credits, corresponding to the number of credits offered by a particular course. Depending on the internal procedures of the faculties, a number of credits may be acquired in particular courses at the Summer School. Following completion of the lectures, the students will also sit for a final exam and acquire a certificate to serve as Diploma Supplement. The certificate will be issued by the three partner faculties - Goce Delcev University of Štip, State University of Tetovo and Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje - and will indicate the topics studied at the Summer School and the exam grade.

Application procedure and selection of participants – All interested students can apply by submitting a **completed application form** available at the following link: <https://goo.gl/forms/B1RiFLqVJuYIH0et1> including a **motivation letter** (not longer than one page). The application deadline expires on 12 May 2017. When completing the application form, the students will have to select the section they apply for, Human Rights or Criminal Law, respectively marking them with the numbers (1) and (2), according to their preference [the more preferred section should be marked with the number (1) and the less preferred section with the number (2)]. The selection will be conducted based on the following **criteria**:

- To be students of a regular first cycle degree programme at the law faculties in the country, public or private
- To be able to participate throughout the duration of the Summer School
- To demonstrate interest in the topics and personal motivation (via a motivation letter)
- To submit complete documentation (completed application form and motivation letter)
- To have a basic knowledge of English language.

The board will additionally take into consideration the following **criteria of inclusiveness**:

- Equal gender representation
- Ethnic and cultural diversity

- Geographic representation

Note: During the selection process the average grades of the student may be taken into consideration.

Expenses – The expenses for transport, board and lodging for the participants and for the working materials will be borne by the organizers of the Summer School.

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