

UNIVERSITY OF COIMBRA

E.MA Director

Prof. Vital Moreira

Fields of competence: Constitutional Law, Human Rights Law and International Trade

Other academics involved in E.MA 2016/2017

Prof. Jónatas Machado
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Catarina Gomes

The university and the city

Coimbra is a typical and traditional university town where students and academic events play a major role. It is a very ancient town (a beautiful Roman criptoporticus still exists), with plenty of historical monuments, among them the University. It is situated 200 Km north of Lisbon (two hours by train or bus) and 50 Km from the sea. It spreads over very scenic hills on both banks of the lovely Mondego River. The University of Coimbra is one of the most ancient in Europe, having been founded in 1290. Presently it has ca. 21.000 students. There is no campus system, the various schools being scattered throughout the town, aggregated into three poles. Coimbra University gave the name to the 'Coimbra Group Universities', an association that brings together a great number of the most well-known European universities (among them Barcelona, Bologna, Budapest, Cambridge, Dublin, Göttingen, Heidelberg, Leiden, Leuven, Oxford, Padova, Thessaloniki, Turku/Åbo).

The Faculty of Law - The Faculty of Law is located in the magnificent old premises of the ancient University. It is among the most prestigious law schools in Europe and is particularly active in the world of the Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries. It is well known for its cosmopolitan library, very well equipped with specialised literature in several languages. It hosts many Brazilian and African students and scholars, coming for research or conferences. The Faculty has several research centres, mainly in fields where law is evolving rapidly: human rights, urban and environmental issues, biomedical ethics, European studies, media law, economic regulation, etc.

Human Rights Centre/lus Gentium Conimbrigae (IGC) – it is hosted at the Faculty of Law of the University of Coimbra, as well as for International Law and Cooperation with the Portuguese Speaking Countries. It focuses on the study of current human rights issues, in general, and that of the Portuguese-speaking community, in particular, from a multidisciplinary perspective yet based on a legal scope. The Human Rights Centre is a research, education, training and international exchange centre.

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www.igc.fd.uc.pt

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Second semester courses

Courses available for E.MA students:

International Business and Human Rights-Academic responsible: Professor Vital Moreira - 10-14 hours - 2 ECTS

Discrimination - suspect categories - Gender, Sexual Orientation, Race - Academic responsible: <u>Professor</u> Teresa Pizarro Beleza - 10-14 hours - 2 ECTS

Human Rights and Corruption: Professor Jónatas Machado - 15-20 hours - 3,5 ECTS

Bioethics – Academic responsible: Professors Helena Pereira de Melo and Rui Nunes – 8-10 hours – 1,5 ECTS

Deadline for enrolment in the courses: 6th February 2017

Examination procedures: The second semester evaluation is based on one essay and assiduity to classes and meetings. The essay's topic should be linked with the subjects taught during the courses or other subject of the Post-Graduation Course, depending on the respective Professor's availability.

Thesis

Research areas:

- freedom of expression and media,
- freedom of religion,
- · democracy and democratisation,
- transitional justice,
- · rights of the child,
- · migrations and forced migrants,
- business and human rights,
- · human rights education

Thesis supervision: Monthly general meetings with E.MA Director, all supervisors and students. Regular individual meetings between each supervisor and student. English language revision, if necessary. Justified field trips sponsored up to a certain amount.

Number of copies to hand in at the hosting university (+ 1 copy to the E.MA Secretariat): electronic version only

Library

At the Faculty of Law (incl. 3 study rooms): Mon-Sat (9.30am-7.45pm)

University's Library (incl. 1 reading room): Mon-Fri, 9am-9.45pm)

Access to the UC's libraries and databases (of all faculties and research centres).

Contacts with NGOs and/or IGOs

NGOs: Amnesty International-Portugal, Portuguese Refugee Council, Human Rights House of Coimbra and other local NGOs

IGOs: CPLP - Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries

Administration and logistics

Information concerning visa arrangements: Please consult the UC's International Relations Unit website at: http://www.uc.pt/en/driic or contact dri.in.box@uc.pt

IT and logistics: Students will have a mobility student card granting access to all reading rooms and libraries of the Faculty and of the University, and other facilities, such as the UC's canteens. They will receive a password, which enables them to work in any computer of the Law Faculty and also a copying/printing card.