

Call for Participation

2015 Edition of the Summer School on Law and Armed Conflict From 1 to 11 September 2015

Beirut - Lebanon

To apply directly, please fill out the online application form (in Arabic) on the following link:

http://bit.ly/2015_summerschool

Deadline to submit application: 1st July 2015

Amel House of Human Rights, part of Amel Association International, in partnership with the Human Rights Legal Clinic of the Law Faculty of the La Sagesse University in Beirut, have the pleasure of announcing the launching of the 2015 edition of the Summer School on Law and Armed Conflict that will be held in Beirut between the 1st and 11th of September 2015.

The Summer School provides a unique opportunity to law graduates, young lawyers, researchers and human right defenders in Lebanon and the Arab world to benefit from indepth knowledge and advanced training in International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal law.

Objectives of the Summer School

In light of the continuous armed conflicts and violence in Lebanon and the Arab region, the Arab countries remain far away from consolidating the building blocks of International Humanitarian Law that protect civilians in times of war. Moreover, the region is in need of an increased number of lawyers and experts in international and local legislative fields concerning conflict and its impacts.

The Summer School seeks to provide law graduates as well as human rights defenders with the expertise and knowledge required to work and research in the legal fields that provide protection to civilians and civilian objects during armed conflicts and emergency situations, along with a deep insight of the international justice concept and mechanisms, as set by contemporary International Criminal Law.

Content and Methodology

The two weeks Summer School will take place starting Tuesday 1st of September until Friday 11th of September 2015 hosting lectures given by local and international professors, experts and representatives of international organizations. The 2015 edition is carried out with the generous support of the Embassy of Switzerland in Lebanon and enjoys the participation of experts from the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Lebanese Armed Forces, Human Rights Watch, in addition to a number of local institutions.

The training methodology shall also include practical case studies, both real and fictional, along with role-plays and a genuine Moot Court that will enable the participants to practice the different segments of international law during the course of the Summer School.

Target Audience/Eligibility requirements of participants

- 35 participants from Lebanon and the Arab World will be selected among young law graduates, lawyers, researchers and human rights defenders.
- Priority will be given for those who are under the age of 35.
- Selection of participants will be made on the basis of merit and commitment to attend and contribute fully to the course.
- Gender balance will also be taken in consideration.

Research Grants

At the end of Summer School, a number of research grants will be given to the best participants to produce a legal study in relation to different aspects of International Humanitarian Law or International Criminal Law, under the supervision of experts and specialists from the academia or local/international organization. Moreover, the participants will benefit from opportunities to contribute to workshops on international humanitarian law after the course.

Organizational Points and Logistics

- The Summer School on Law and Armed Conflict requires a financial contribution of 100 US\$ [one hundred US\$], payable once participants are pre-selected to the course.
- Amel Association International will not be able to cover travel and accommodation expenses for selected Arab participants coming from outside Lebanon.
- The Summer School will be held in Beirut, Lebanon.
- The courses will start on Monday 1st of September and run until Friday 11th, daily from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm, except on Sundays.
- The course will be given in Arabic. Translation shall be available for foreign lecturers.
- Certificates accredited by Amel Association International and La Sagesse University will be issued at the end of the course upon the successful attendance.

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Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Early applications are encouraged. For more information, please contact us at: lawsummerschool@gmail.com

Dates	1 September – 11 September 2015
Organizers	Amel House of Human Rights, Amel Association International
	Human Rights Legal Clinic of La Sagesse Law School, Beirut
Partners	- Beirut Delegation of the International Committee of the Red Cross
	- The Lebanese Armed Forces
	- Human Rights Watch
	- Geneva Call
	- Beirut Bar Association
	- Tripoli Bar Association
	- Institute for Judiciary Studies, Beirut
	- Permanent Peace Movement
	- Justice without Frontiers
Participants	35 participants from Lebanon and the Arab World will be selected
	from jurists, lawyers, researchers and human rights defenders
Lecturers	Local and international university professors and experts, and
	representatives of international organizations and agencies of the
	United Nations
Language	Arabic
Research grants	Will benefit a selection from best participants to produce a legal
	study during 3 months.
Deadline to submit	1st July 2015
application	
For more information	Blog: <u>www.amelhumanrights.wordpress.com</u>
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