

# HI-NORM

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## *Tri-Campus Interdisciplinary Research Cluster*

*Human Interactions: Normative Innovation from the ‘Conquista’ to the contemporary Global Order*

### **Research Cluster**

The tri-campus interdisciplinary research cluster “Human Interactions: Normative Innovation from the ‘Conquista’ to the New Global Order” (HI-NORM 2010) promotes interactions among faculty and students working on human rights and researches different contexts in which normative ideals such as humanity (Salamanca School), rights and citizenship (European Enlightenment), and human rights (Frankfurt School) have emerged. This initiative is part of a multi-year project involving colloquia, seminars, international exchanges, and other activities in partnership with the University of Frankfurt, Germany.

### **Research Areas**

#### *Humanity and rights in early modernity*

This area researches how the encounter of different cultures in the Americas prompted the recognition of diversity and the conception of new geopolitical orders since the 16<sup>th</sup> century. It includes work on the Salamanca School, Latin America, and Indigenous rights.

#### *Transition from natural rights to civil rights*

This area studies images and concepts of humanity, rights, and citizenship proposed during the European Renaissance and Enlightenment and observes how these concepts still inspire studies in political theory, international relations, education, and other disciplines.

#### *Contemporary challenges to human rights and global citizenship*

Based on the normative framework of the *Universal Declaration on Human Rights* and contemporary studies on globalization, this area addresses contemporary international challenges and searches for ways to improve discourses on human rights and citizenship.

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## Activities

*Networking* (interactions with faculty and students)

*Production of Knowledge* (research and case studies)

*Teaching Applications* (courses, seminars, and workshops)

*Events* (meetings, colloquia, symposia, lectures, and conferences)

*Publications* (open access documents, newsletters, reports, papers, and books)

## Partnerships

Politics, Philosophy & Economics Program (University of Washington, Tacoma)

UW Center for Human Rights (University of Washington, Seattle)

Politics, Philosophy & Economics Program (University of Washington, Tacoma)

Exzellenzcluster “Herausbildung normativer Ordnungen” (University of Frankfurt, Germany)

Programa Pasado y Presente de dos Derechos Humanos (Universidad de Salamanca, Spain)

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