#### \*\*\*ANNOUNCEMENT\*\*\*

#### **LAWS 4513 Comparative Equality Law**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year Yaşar Law students are invited to apply to take part in a multi-university Comparative Equality Law course starting in late August 2023 and finishing in early December. Please see the powerpoint or pdf attached to this announcement for further details.

Students who wish to apply should send a mail to <u>ian.collins@yasar.edu.tr</u> by the end of <u>5</u> <u>May</u> 2023. Interviews will be arranged for all applicants.



# LAWS 4513 Comparative Equality Law Information presentation

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## Structure of the meeting

- 1. Very short introductions
- 2. Summary of LAWS 4513
  - 3. Design of the course
    - 4. Timetable
    - 5. Assessment
- 6. Registration/applications
  - 7. Questions

#### **Introductions**

Aslı hoca – course discussion leader

David hoca – course participant

Ian hoca – course coordinator and participant

## Summary of LAWS 4513

- Online course originally set up with UC Berkeley during the pandemic
- Equality law specialists from 6 continents joined
  - Students from all around the world registered

## Summary of LAWS 4513

- Original students loved the course, describing it as 'transformative'
  - Repeated in 2021 and 2022
  - Covers a number of key equality law subjects
- Each university free to give credits (or not) and design their own assessment system

## Design of the course

Theories and sources of equality law

Affirmative action (race, caste, origin)/gender parity

Rights of persons with disabilities

Employment discrimination (eg race, sex, age, disability, LGBTQI+ etc)

Equality and religion (secularism, human rights, minority rights etc)

Sexual harassment/violence

### Course format

- 5 min intro
- 15 min lecture
- 15 min discussion in breakout rooms
  - 20 min plenary session
    - 5 min break
    - 15 min lecture
- 15 min discussion in breakout rooms
  - 20 min plenary session
    - 10 min wrap up

#### **Assessment**

6 ECTS awarded\*

Yaşar responsible for assessment:

- 2 written papers during the course 30%
  - Class participation 10%
    - Final exam 30%

\*subject to final agreement from the Yaşar Education Commission, expected shortly

## Course dates

- Starts before Yaşar semester late August 2023
  - Finishes early December 2023
- 16 weeks 2 hours per week, plus preparation for class

#### Points to note...

This is an unbelievably good opportunity for Yaşar students... but...

- The participants will come from some of the world's best universities (UC Berkeley, Oxford, Sydney etc)
  - It will include many graduate students
  - The only language of instruction will be English... and it is not designed for non-native speakers
- The mode of instruction is quite different to what Turkish students may be used to

### What it will take to succeed...

- Preparation doing the reading... usually around 40 pages per week plus watching videos etc
- Participating contributing to the discussion parts of the lesson
  - Self-confidence not being intimidated by the other students
    - Language ability many will be non-native speakers but strong English is a necessity
      - Hard work there are no shortcuts...

## Registration

We will accept up to 6 students (undergraduate and graduate students) on the course

The criteria for registration are:

- Strong English proficiency
  - Attending an interview