Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity in International Law: Human Rights and Beyond Summer School
The Hague & Amsterdam, 30 July - 8 August 2018
Leiden Law School

The university's tradition in law dates back to the time of Hugo Grotius. Often referred to as the 'Mozart of International Law', Grotius started his studies at Leiden University in 1594 at the age of 11. Leiden Law School offers a varied choice of courses and programmes for international students, whether you are an exchange student, a degree-seeking student or looking for a specialized advanced studies program.

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Grotius Centre for International Legal Studies

The Grotius Centre for International Legal Studies of Leiden Law School is named after the father of public international law and one of its most illustrious alumni – Hugo Grotius – and is directed by Prof. Dr. Eric De Brabandere.

At the Grotius Centre scholars study and explore the frontiers of public international law in light of the increasing transformation of the international legal order. Their research encompasses international criminal justice, sustainable international trade and the role of international organisations in the rule of law. They also teach the basic principles of public international law to an increasing number of students from all over the world and with various backgrounds.

The Grotius Centre also offers a number of specialised master programmes on Public International Law, summer courses, moot courts, lecture series and Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC’s).
Since 2011 Kees Waaldijk is holder of Leiden University’s sponsored chair in Comparative Sexual Orientation Law. His 2012 inaugural lecture was about ‘The Right to Relate’. In 2014 he also held the McDonald/Wright Chair of Law at UCLA. Each year professor Waaldijk teaches the course Comparative Sexual Orientation Law. He runs the Summer School on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity in International Law, gives guest lectures in various courses, and supervises master and PhD theses.

In 1982 he obtained his Master Degree in Law at the Erasmus University of Rotterdam, and joined the new law school of the University of Maastricht where he taught until 1995. He got his Doctoral Degree in 1994, at Maastricht, with the thesis Motiveringsplichten van de wetgever (The Legislature’s Duties to Give Reasons). Since 1996 he has worked at Leiden Law School, first as a lecturer legal methods, and from 2000 until 2011 as Head of PhD Studies.

Since 1987 he has contributed to the opening up of family law to same-sex couples in the Netherlands and beyond. In 2017, in cooperation with French demographers and legal experts from 21 European countries, he completed the creation of the LawsAndFamilies Database – Aspects of legal family formats for same-sex and different-sex couples (www.LawsAndFamilies.eu).

Kees has developed a Global Index on Legal Recognition of Homosexual Orientation (GILRHO), covering all independent countries of the world since the 1960s. First results of this work in progress were published in the 2014 report The Relationship between LGBT Inclusion and Economic Development: An Analysis of Emerging Economies, which he co-authored.
Monday 30 July - The Hague

10.30 - 11.30 How the Global Picture is Moving
Kees Waaldijk, Professor of Comparative Sexual Orientation Law, Leiden University

11.45 - 12.30 Poster Presentations about Country Situations
By participants

12.45 - 13.45 Lunch

14.00 - 15.00 Poster Presentations about Country Situations
By participants

15.15 - 16.30 The Right to Relate – and its Reflection in the Sexual Orientation Cases Decided by the UN Human Rights Committee
Kees Waaldijk, Professor of Comparative Sexual Orientation Law, Leiden University

16.45 - 18.00 The Gender-Neutrality of the International Right to Marry
Kees Waaldijk, Professor of Comparative Sexual Orientation Law, Leiden University

19.00 - 21.00 Opening Dinner at Amier

Tuesday 31 July - The Hague

10.30 - 11.30 The Role of the African Union in Combating SOGI based Human Rights Violations
Seun Bakare, PhD candidate, Leiden University

11.45 - 12.45 LGBTI and the Inter-American Human Rights System
Joel Simpson, Managing Director of SASOD (Society Against Sexual Orientation Discrimination), Guyana

Wednesday 1 August - The Hague & Amsterdam

10.30 - 11.45 The Emergence of Intersex as a Protected Category in International Law
Benjamin Moron-Puech, Université Panthéon-Assas, Paris

12.00 - 13.00 Discussion: A Right not to be Registered as Male or Female?
Benjamin Moron-Puech, Université Panthéon-Assas, Paris

13.00 - 13.30 Brown Bag Lunch

13.45 - 14.45 Transfer to Amsterdam
19.30 - 22.00 “Rights Out There 2018 – Heroes of LGBTI+ Worldwide”
Public event organised by Lutheran Church, with Amnesty, HIVOS, COC Nederland, and other organisations,
Chaired by Boris Dittrich, Advocacy Director Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Rights Program at Human Rights Watch

Thursday 2 August - Amsterdam

Jessica Stern, Executive Director of OutRight Action International

11.45 - 12.45 The Inter-American Court of Human Rights - the Atala Case
Lisa Davis, Associate Professor of Law for the Human Rights and Gender Justice Clinic, CUNY School of Law

13.00 - 14.15 Lunch and Tour of IHLIA - LGBT Heritage

14.30 - 15.30 Advancing the Human Rights of LGBTIs at the UN Human Rights Council
Jessica Stern, Executive Director of OutRight Action International

16.45 - 17.45 Gender Based Violence and the Meaning of Gender: Reflections on LGBTI-rights and the Istanbul Convention
Renée Römkens, Director of Atria (Institute on Gender Equality and Women’s History), Professor of Gender Based Violence, University of Amsterdam

Friday 3 August - Amsterdam

10.30 - 11.30 Individuals in the Evolving SOGI Case Law of the European Court of Human Rights
Robert Wintemute, Professor of Human Rights Law, King’s College London

11.45 - 12.45 Recent and Future SOGIESC Cases in the Caribbean
Joel Simpson, Managing Director of SASOD (Society Against Sexual Orientation Discrimination), Guyana

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch

Robert Wintemute, Professor of Human Rights Law, King’s College London

16.00 - 17.00 Advancing Protections for LGBT People in the Caribbean (Public Lecture)
Joel Simpson, Managing Director of SASOD (Society Against Sexual Orientation Discrimination), Guyana
**Monday 6 August - The Hague**

10.00 - 12.00 **Discussion at the International Criminal Court**  
Gloria Atiba Davies, Head of the Gender and Children Unit, International Criminal Court  
& Shamila Batohi, Senior Legal Adviser to the Prosecutor, International Criminal Court

12.15 - 13.30 **Lunch at the International Criminal Court**

15.00 - 17.15 **Panel including**

- **LGBT Issues under International Humanitarian Law and in the Humanitarian Field**  
  Gabriel Alves de Faria, Executive Director of Not Only Voices

- **Third Party Interventions before the Court of Justice of the European Union – the Recent Coman case**  
  Manon Beury, Researcher in Comparative Sexual Orientation Law, Leiden University

- **ILGA’s Annual State-Sponsored Homophobia Report**  
  Lucas Ramón Mendos, co-author of the 2017 State-Sponsored Homophobia reports of ILGA, the International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association

17.30 - 18.30 **How to do a PhD on SOGI Law (Optional Session)**  
Kees Waaldijk,  
Professor of Comparative Sexual Orientation Law, Leiden University

**Tuesday 7 August - The Hague**

10.30 - 12.00 **Sexual and Gender Minorities in International Refugee Law**  
Katinka Ridderbos, Senior Research and Information Officer in the Division of International Protection at the UN refugee agency, UNHCR

12.15 - 13.00 **Presentation by Refugees**  
with Moses Walusimbi, founder and chairman of UGOM (“Uganda Gay On Move”) in the Netherlands  
& Berachard Njankou (law graduate, D.E.A., University of Douala Cameroon), The Hague

13.00 - 14.00 **Lunch with Refugees**

14.15 - 15.15 **Discussion on the Position of Refugees of Diverse SOGIESC**  
Katinka Ridderbos, Senior Research and Information Officer in the Division of International Protection at the UN refugee agency, UNHCR

15.30 - 16.15 **Finding Protection for Women and LGBTIs in International Criminal Law**  
Lisa Davis, Associate Professor of Law for the Human Rights and Gender Justice Clinic, CUNY School of Law

16.30 - 17.45 **Applying International Law to the Middle East: Strategies to Address Persecution of LGBTI Persons**  
Lisa Davis, Associate Professor of Law for the Human Rights and Gender Justice Clinic, CUNY School of Law  
& Jessica Stern, Executive Director of OutRight Action International
**Wednesday 8 August - The Hague**

10.30 - 12.00 **SOGIESC in Different Areas of International Law: Consolidation, Stagnation, Expectations**  
*Kees Waaldijk, Professor of Comparative Sexual Orientation Law, Leiden University*

12.15 - 13.30 **Evaluation & Presentation of Certificates**

13.30 **Farewell Lunch at Bora Bora Beach Club**  
(Scheveningen)

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**Other Events**

**Saturday 28 July - Sunday 5 August 2018 in Amsterdam**  
**Amsterdam Pride Week**

Pride Amsterdam is a huge annual celebration of devotion towards equality for the gay, lesbian, transgender, queer and intersex communities taking place across the city. In 2018, the rainbow flag will be proudly flying from 28 July to 5 August. The highlight of Pride Amsterdam is the Canal Parade: decorated boats with fur-dressed and dancing people sailing through the canals of Amsterdam. The theme of this year is 'Heroes'.

Including:
- Saturday 28 July, 11.00 - 13.30: Pride Walk
- Saturday 4 August, 13.00 - 18.00: Pride Parade of boats on canals
- Sunday 5 August: Closing Concert
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Course venue, The Hague
Wijnhaven Building
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Course venue, Amsterdam
IHLIA
Oosterdokskade 143 (3rd floor)
1011 DL Amsterdam

Venue Wednesday 1 August (Evening)
Old Lutheran Church
Singel 411 (Corner Spui)
1012 WN Amsterdam

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