

DIPLOMA IN CHILD RIGHTS AND LAW

Centre for Child Rights, National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam in collaboration with UNICEF is launching a '**6 Months Diploma Course in Child Rights and Law**' for students, advocates and stakeholders working in the area of child rights and with children. In this course the participants will explore critical issues concerning the rights of children from a multidisciplinary approach. The objective of this course is to enhance the understanding of the participants on various international instruments and mechanism pertaining to child rights and also to increase their understanding on various legislations, policies and existing systems and structure pertaining to Children in India, *vis-à-vis* to build a better understanding on the child protection scenario in the country and in particular of the north-east India.

The course is designed in such a manner that all participants will have a nuanced idea of various international human rights and child rights instruments and mechanisms, policies and conventions, children's right under the Indian Constitution and other legislations pertaining to children, understanding of child psychology and child development and exposure visits for direct interaction with children, so as to understand the ways of working with children.

The Course is divided into 5 Modules:

Module – I: Development of International Jurisprudence on Child Rights

Module – II: Development of Child Rights Jurisprudence in Indian Context

Module – III: Child Psychology and Child Development

Module – IV: Field Visit

Module – V: Dissertation and Viva-Voice

About Centre for Child Rights

In furtherance of the research objectives of National Law University and Judicial Academy (NLUJA) Assam and its commitment towards children, a dedicated centre was established as 'Centre for Child Rights (CCR)'. The Centre for Child Rights started in March, 2015 and ever since the Centre has engaged itself in various activities ranging from training, workshop, conferences, development of IEC material, technical support to various allied departments of the government dealing with children. In May, 2015 the University and UNICEF, through a Memorandum of Understanding joined hands and partnered with Centre for Child Rights and ever since the Centre and UNICEF have been working together to bring about some change in the lives of children.

Who can enrol and Methodology

Anybody who has a keen interest in working with children and issues of children can join this diploma course. The candidate should be enrolled in graduation, graduate or above. The mode of education will be web-based through an online platform, wherein all reading materials and coordinates of faculties will be shared with students. There will be an induction programme at the beginning of commencement of the course, followed by 15 hours of contact classes.

Learning Objectives

At the end of this course the candidate will be able to:

- Understand and appreciate child rights approach;
- Understand Various Organs of the UN, Conventions, Policies which directly impact the lives of children;
- Describe child rights, and explain how a child rights approach differs from other approaches, such as child-focused/child-centred, charity and welfare approaches;

- Explain and describe UNICEF's mandate as it relates to the promotion, protection and fulfilment of children's rights;
- Understand Child rights in the Indian Context (Constitutional and other Legislations)
- Learn about various Flagship Programmes, Schemes of Govt. of India for Children
- Understand Child Psychology and Child Development
 - Understand a Child beyond the Age Definition and Child Vulnerabilities
 - Stages of Child Development
 - Psychosexual and Psychosocial Stages of Child Development
 - Gender Perspective and Communication
- Field visits and interaction with Children

Start thinking about ways to apply what one has learned in one's daily work and life.

Important Information

- Total Intake: 30
- Course Fees: Rs. 3000/- (via demand draft or cheque in favour of National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam payable at Guwahati)
- Duration: 6 Months (*can be extendable to 9 months with prior permission*)
- Induction Programme is compulsory for all students
- Contact Classes: 15-20 Hours (during *weekends*)
- Last Date of submitting Application Form with requisite fees: 10th April, 2018
