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List of M.A. Theses which were prepared by EMA students at the UNESCO Chair/AUTH,
under the supervision of AUTH academics

1999-2022

No.	Year	Student	Thesis Title	Supervisor
56	2022	David Katz Rotnitzky (Spain)	"Deconstructing the Right to Freedom of Religion or Belief in Human Rights A multidisciplinary approach on antisemitism towards the Jewish Community of Thessaloniki"	Assist. Professor Timoleon Galanis, School of Theology
55	2022	Cira Villar Luna (Spain)	"Gender self-determination In Europe. Special focus on the Spanish case."	Assoc. Professor Lina Papadopoulou, Faculty of Law
54	2021	Annelie Boeren (The Netherlands)	"Refugees' Experiences in Sites of Prolonged Displacement, Liminality and Exception: A Case Study of the Diavata Refugee Camp in Northern Greece"	Assist. Professor Georgios Agelopoulos, School of History and Archaeology
53	2021	Maria Rufino Carvalho da Silva (Brazil)	"Human Rights Education – a study of the participant's exposure to visual arts as a method"	Assoc. Professor Lia Yoka, School of Architecture
52	2021	Monica Zumalacárregui Martínez (Spain)	"Involuntary soft sterilization for 'unfit mothers': Best interests of the child or latent eugenics? A historical comparative approach to the Dutch Law proposal and its legitimation"	Assoc. Professor Aspasia Tsaoussi, Faculty of Law
51	2020	Nicole Fulginiti (U.S.A.)	"The Fulfillment of the Rights to Health and Life for Minorities in the	Assist. Professor Aphrodite Baka,

			U.S. in the era of COVID-19: The Case for Universal Healthcare"	School of Psychology
50	2020	Kosta Karakashyan (Bulgaria)	"Positive Media Representation of the Bulgarian LGBTQ+ Community and Shifting National Attitudes Towards Homosexuality"	Assoc. Professor Antonis Gardikiotis, School of Journalism & Mass Media Communication
49	2020	Yvonne Marinze (Austria)	"When the Protector becomes the Perpetrator": Accountability for Human Rights Violations by UN Peacekeepers"	Assist. Professor Vassilis Pergantis Faculty of Law
48	2019	Laura Bergsli Hansen (Denmark)	"We MUST talk about the discourse. The changing European landscape. A critical discourse analysis of Danish law amendments from 2015-2018"	Professor Yannis Stavrakakis, School of Political Sciences
47	2019	Emilien Miner (France)	"Reconceiving European Migration Policy: The EU between Ambitions and Challenges"	Lecturer Anna-Maria Konsta, Faculty of Law
46	2019	Rachael O' Hehir (Ireland)	"Europe's cockroaches': Freedom of Expression, Hate Speech and their Impact on Refugee Human Rights"	Assist. Professor Aphrodite Baka, School of Psychology
45	2018	Samy Amanatullah (U.S.A.)	"'Slowly, incest is being legalized throughout Europe' Detecting human rights vulnerabilities in fake news using critical discourse analysis"	Assoc. Professor Antonis Gardikiotis, School of Journalism & Mass Media Communication
44	2018	Sophie Hale (England)	"Death by algorithm. Public opinion and the lethal autonomous weapons debate"	Assist. Professor Nikolaos Myridis, School of Theology
43	2018	Elitsa Nikolaeva Todorova (Bulgaria)	"The Audacity to Seek a Better Life: Should the EU Adopt a Human Rights Based Approach to Human Smuggling?"	Assist. Professor Georgios Nouskalis, Faculty of Law
42	2017	Cécile Coillot (France)	"Child trafficking for sexual and labor exploitation in times of migration crisis: the cases of Greece and Ethiopia"	Assist. Professor Vassilios Kourtis, School of Law
41	2017	Raquel González Maldonado (Spain)	"Non-formal education: A way out. The realisation of the right to education of refugees through non-formal education activities in Greece"	Assist. Professor Georgios Agelopoulos, School of History and Archaeology
40	2017	María Rosón	"Learning to know the other. The	Assoc. Professor

		Sánchez (Spain)	power of intercultural dialogue in improving human rights in multicultural societies"	Marina Mattheoudakis, School of English
39	2016	Laura María Calderón Cuevas (Colombia)	"Can I sing? The Development of an Artistic Talent as a Human Right"	Lecturer Georgos Kitsios, School of Music Studies Co-Supervisor: Assoc. Professor Evanthia Nika-Sampson, School of Music Studies
38	2016	Iris Leerdam (the Netherlands)	"Should Schools come with a warning sign? Indoctrination at school and the right and the right to quality education"	Assist. Professor Christos Tsironis, School of Theology
37	2016	Eline Westra (the Netherlands)	"Who Are We Together if 'We' Are All Different? Constructions of Cultural Diversity and the Multicultural Society in Dutch Educational Material"	Assist. Professor Lia Figgou, School of Psychology
36	2015	Rachelle Miner (U.S.A)	"Chimes of Freedom: The power of music for the promotion of human rights and democracy as inspired by the social movements of the 1960s in the USA."	Assist. Professor Aphrodite Baka, School of Psychology, Assist. Professor Evi Nika-Sampson, School of Music Studies
35	2015	Gamze Çakır (Turkey)	"The practice of the education in mother tongue as Human Rights Education in Turkey. The experience of learning to live together"	Assoc. Professor Konstantinos Tsitselikis, School of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia ,Thessaloniki
34	2014	Alexandra Ihora (Romania)	"Discrimination of the Roma minority in a multicultural and diverse Europe"	Professor Evangelia Tressou, School of Primary Education
33	2014	Kasey Tyler (Australia)	"Beyond a juvenile detainee's right to education - The obligation of the State to juvenile detainees in light of recent neurodevelopmental research"	Assist. Professor Maria Archimandritou, School of Law
32	2013	Marcia Victoria Garcia Peñate (Guatemala)	"Silent holocaust: bioethics and morality against the Culture of Death - Women's freedom of choice or embryo's right to life?"	Professor Theofano Papazissi, School of Law

31	2013	Marie Engberg Helmstedt (Denmark)	"The Human Rights Based Approach: Assessing Implications on the Work of Development NGOs"	Assist. Professor Lina Papadopoulou, School of Law
30	2013	Caterina Sirna (Italy)	"Writing the history of violence anew: transitional justice and reconciliation through children's narrative"	Assist. Professor Dimitrios Akrivoulis, Dept. of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki
29	2012	Kuhn Paulina Barbara (Poland)	"(Dis) Ability to include all. Equalisation of opportunities for all learners in inclusive education. Cases of Poland and (a western European country)"	Professor Maria Tzouriadou, School of Pedagogy
28	2012	Schiffer Miriam Isabel (Austria)	"Non-violent Conflict Resolution Methods and Education as a Contribution Towards a Culture of Peace in Schools Situated in Greece"	Professor Emerita Dimitra Papadopoulou, School of Psychology
27	2012	Nogues Maria-Cristina Moreno (Venezuela)	"Five Years After the 2006 Global Report on the State of the Right to Education Worldwide*: Latin America and the Caribbean"	Assist. Professor Marina Mattheoudakis, School of English Language and Literature
26	2010	Staša Tkalec (Slovenia)	"Diversity and norm evolution: At the crossroads of human rights and democracy"	Assist. Professor Ifigenia Kamtsidou, School of Law
25	2010	Johanna Wöran (Austria)	"Regulatory Treatment of Environmentally-Displaced Persons"	Assoc. Prof. Panagiotis Glavinis, School of Law
24	2010	Lorena Isla (Spain)	"Building new fences? Security concerns and protection of aliens at the E.U. borders"	Lecturer Georgios Nouskalis, School of Law
23	2010	Christine Laurence Krack (Luxemburg)	"Literature and human rights: The Fight against gender and racial discrimination in the Fiction of Buchi Emecheta and Caryl Phillips"	Assoc. Professor Domna Pastourmatzi, School of English Language and Literature
22	2009	Cécile Wendling (France)	"Education and reconciliation in the post-conflict Kosovo 1999-2009"	Professor Maria Dikaiou, School of Psychology
21	2009	Giulia Reccardini (Italy)	"Detention of asylum seekers and irregular migrants: balancing human rights and security policies at the	Professor Zoe Papassiopi-Passia, School of Law

			EU's South-Eastern borders"	
20	2009	Clíodhna Ni Ghiollagain (Ireland)	"Can Human Rights be taught? A study assessing the impact of Human Rights Education in schools in Ireland and in Cameroon"	Assist. Professor Marina Mattheoudakis, School of English Language and Literature
19	2009	Joseph Cikuru-Mwanamayi (Rwanda)	"Conflits de lois entre le droit interne et les instruments internationaux, régionaux relatifs aux droits de l'homme devant les juridictions répressives rwandaises"	Professor Kostas Chrissygonos, School of Law
18	2007	Christina Wurzinger (Austria)	"Human Rights Education and the creation of a Culture of Human Rights"	Professor Emerita Dimitra Papadopoulou, School of Psychology
17	2007	Sara Memo (Italy)	"Beyond the shadow-line: Accompanying the unaccompanied children in Europe towards adulthood"	Professor Zoe Papassiopi-Passia, School of Law
16	2006	Sara Maria Sorensson (Denmark)	"Drawing Danishness. Tracing ideas of 'self' and 'other' in Danish debates about the drawings of the Prophet Muhammad published in <i>Morgenavisen Jyllands-Posten</i> "	Assist. Professor Nikos Bozatzis, Dept. of Psychology, University of Ioannina
15	2006	Yasemin Ugursal (Turkey)	"Musical declarations of Human Rights: An investigation into how music can be used as a tool for Human Rights awareness raising"	Assist. Professor Evi Nika-Sampson, School of Music Studies Co-Supervisor: Professor Maria Dikaiou, School of Psychology
14	2006	Hau-Yan Wan (China)	"A blind eye turned to the invisible ones: Irregular migrants and Human Rights in Europe"	Professor Zoe Papassiopi-Passia, School of Law
13	2005	Trapani Vanessa (Italy)	"The Discursive Dimension of Human Rights Identity and Diversity Discourses within Contemporary Polish Debates"	Assist. Professor Nikos Bozatzis, Dept. of Psychology, University of Ioannina
12	2005	Brandt Nicola (Germany)	"The Headscarf in Liberal Democracies : The Case of France, Germany and the United States of America"	Dr Aristotle Constantinides, School of Law
11	2005	Bettaz Nejwa (Germany)	"Child Victims and Witnesses of Crime in Court – Towards the Development of International Guidelines for Child- Sensitive	Assoc. Professor Angeliki Pitsela, School of Law

			Judiciary Proceedings. A Psycholegal Perspective"	
10	2004	Agterhuis Sander (The Netherlands)	"The right to return and its practical application"	Dr Aristotle Constantinides, School of Law
9	2004	Bart Verstraeten (Belgium)	"To be or not to be Justiciable: Enforcing the Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of Children Orphaned and Made Vulnerable By HIV/AIDS in South Africa"	Assist. Professor Panayiotis Kordoutis, School of Psychology
8	2003	De Kort Frauke (The Netherlands)	"Education politicised. Present situation and future prospects in Bosnia and Herzegovina"	Dr Anastasia Kesidou, Lecturer, School of Philosophy and Pedagogy
7	2003	Fernandez Pacheco Estrafo Patricia (Spain)	"The right to create. The case of the Iranian female filmmakers (cultural legitimacy and dissidence) "	Professor Grammatikaki-Alexiou, School of Law
6	2003	Perez Rocha Immaculada (Spain)	"Power sharing in the FYR of Macedonia after the Ohrid Framework Agreement and its impact on the Turkish community"	Dr Konstantinos Tsitselikis, University of Macedonia ,Thessaloniki
5	2003	Hammerer Rosemarie (Austria)	"The impact of state policies and practices in Pakistan on girls' rights to education. Lessons to be learnt for the reconstruction of girls' education in Afganistan?"	Assoc. Professor Vassiliki Deliyanni-Kouimtzis, School of Psychology
4	2001	Radulescu Elena Beatrice (Romania)	"Romania: Multilingual and civic education as a basis for a human rights culture"	Professor Dimitra Papadopoulou, School of Psychology
3	2001	Rusu Mirela (Romania)	"The witness protection against the rights of the accused in international criminal cases: A human rights approach"	Dr Leonidas Papadopoulos, Lecturer, School of Law
2	1999	Gabrielian Ana-Valerie (France)	"Apercu sur la protection des droits des minorites religieuses"	Professor Dimos Tsourkas, School of Law
1	1999	Greco Corinna (Italy)	"Empowering human rights education for the 21 st century: obstacles and challenges"	Professor Dimitra Papadopoulou, School of Psychology