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HUMR 5702 Human Rights and Sustainable Development: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Theory and Practices.

Exam paper: **start**, April 4 at 1:00 PM- **end**, April 14 at 1:00 PM, 2025

Answer ONE of the following questions, illustrate by providing examples.

1. You are a manager of an NGO programme addressing gender-based violence in a lower middle-income country called Neperia. For several years the project has largely been about addressing service provision. But frustrated with seeing the same violations repeated, you seek instead to implement a Rights-Based approach to gender-based violence. Write a report back to Head Quarters in which you do the following:

- a. Justify why the change in direction is necessary
- b. Define the elements of a Rights Based approach
- c. Identify some of the assumptions about what it is you seek to change and apply them to at least one specific example of your project initiative

2. Read the following statement:

‘...the fact that foreign (aid) assistance is not accomplishing its goals fully justifies the cuts’.

The statement refers to the reduction of the USAID (The United States Agency for International Development) budget by 83 per cent and its looming closure. Critically assess the statement above, and then specifically whether human rights funded interventions (whether funded by USAID or any donors) achieve their goals by referring to the role of impact – what this is and what shapes it in human rights. Illustrate with some specific examples.

3. What are the benefits and limitations of the role of Chinese Communist Party organisations in companies regarding the governance of sustainable development in the poorest countries in the world ? Provide examples.

Total length of the essay: 4500 words maximum – word limit exceeding this amount will not proceed to marking. Please be sure that you refer to literature in the Syllabus. Also, be careful about the structure of the paper, and answer all parts of the question. It is permitted to use artificial intelligence as an aid for: Checking spelling and grammar, as long as this does not lead to substantial changes in the text's content and finding source material. Text and other material that are generated entirely or partially using artificial intelligence are not considered the candidate's own work. If you use artificial intelligence to produce any part of the work you submit, you must therefore cite this in your paper. It must also be clearly stated how you have used the specific AI tool. If you do not reference correctly, you may be [suspected of cheating](#). Referencing should follow one of the styles referred to on this webpage: <http://www.ub.uio.no/english/writing-publishing/referencing/index.html> Note that Harvard is commonly used in humanities and social sciences, and allows for in-text referencing (example: (Alston, 2005: 55), and a bibliography); Chicago 16th A is also often applied, but only applies in-notes (endnotes or footnotes) references and a bibliography.



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