

Legal Skills in a Time of War

15 – 26 July 2024

Villa Grébovka, Prague, Czech Republic

SUMMER SCHOOL OVERVIEW:

The CEELI Institute, a non-profit organization based in Prague that provides training and education for legal professionals, is offering a two-week summer school for Ukrainian law students and junior lawyers, whether they have left Ukraine for other parts of Europe or are still in the country.

The summer school's aim is twofold. First, it is designed to introduce the participants to basic legal interviewing and advocacy skills not learned in doctrinal classes, as well as to skills needed for working with traumatized clients and witnesses. Second, it seeks to provide participants with a better understanding of the main conceptual underpinnings of international criminal law and its place in the field of international law and justice.

COURSE LANGUAGE:

English.

Participants should be fluent in English with a working knowledge of legal vocabulary.

COURSE TOPICS AND STRUCTURE:

The course consists of lectures, discussions, and interactive group work, covering the following:

Module 1: Legal Skills

- Interviewing and client centered counseling
- Case analysis
- Witness examination techniques
- Persuasive speaking in court
- Trauma-informed lawyering

Module 2: International Criminal Law

- Principles of the International humanitarian law
- War crimes, genocide, crimes against humanity, and the crime of aggression
- Modes of liability
- Immunities and other barriers to justice

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- Ukrainian law students who by the start of the course will have finished their third year of study
- Ukrainian early career lawyers (within three years of graduation)

COSTS:

The CEELI Institute will cover tuition, accommodation, catering, and reasonable travel costs of all participants.

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:

Enrollment is limited to 32 participants. Participants will be selected based on their responses in the application form.

HOW TO APPLY:

To apply, please complete the online [course application form](#) by 11:00 pm CEST on 26 May 2024.

CONTACT:

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CONFIRMED FACULTY:



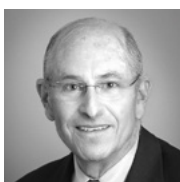
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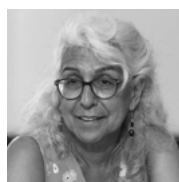
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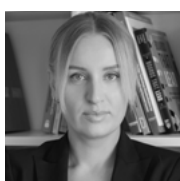
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ABOUT THE CEELI INSTITUTE

The CEELI Institute is a not-for-profit organization based in Prague, Czech Republic, dedicated to the development and training of an international network of legal and judicial professionals committed to advancing the rule of law. Through innovative training programs and other activities, the Institute works with judges, lawyers, government officials, and other professionals around the world. The Institute conducts over 60 programs per year, worldwide. Since its founding in 2000, the Institute has trained over 10,000 legal professionals from over 50 countries. The Institute is located in the historic Villa Grébovka in Prague, which contains a state of the art conference center, with lecture halls, classrooms, dining facilities, fitness center, and residential accommodation for up to 42 persons.

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