New Spring 2024 Graduate Course

HRTS 5428 TORTURE

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Counts Towards:

- HRTS Grad Program Requirements
- POLS International Relations Grad Program Requirements

Among the many questions we will consider:

- How is torture perpetrated? What are its forms through history, and why these?
- Why is torture perpetrated, by both state and private actors?
- What are the effects of torture on victims, both short and long term?
- Who commits torture? How do individuals become perpetrators?
- What are the key domestic and international legal frameworks addressing torture?
- How can we reliably determine torture's prevalence?
- Can torture be prevented?



