

# Manifesto

## Human Security Committee 2019

*The vision of the Committee is to create an inspiring learning environment outside scheduled university hours, as well as a social and professional network. We aspire to promote the concept of Human Security and make the field of study more visible to the public and other university students. We are also dedicated to creating relations between graduates and to encourage knowledge sharing.*

### **Outreach and Open Invitation**

While the committee will be centered around the community at the Moesgaard campus, we welcome everyone to events and auxiliary learning environments put forth by the Committee. We hope to create an accessible space for all wishing to further develop their understanding of the Human Security approach, both theoretically and practically. Because Moesgaard is home to multiple disciplines, programmes, and degrees centered around anthropology, our work as a Committee is to support and be in relevant dialogue with all past and present students, academic staff, and visitors. We will be broadcasting and updating the Committee's plans, activities, and events on the Moesgaard campus and through digital platforms, such as the Human Security website (<https://humansecurity.dk/>), Facebook, LinkedIn, etc., in order to reach the broadest audience possible.

### **Organization and Further Description of the Committee**

The Committee operates as an assembly of students from the MSc Human Security programme at Aarhus University. The purpose of the Committee is to establish a strong network amongst academics, professionals, organizations, institutions, the general public, and past and present MSc Human Security students in order to further inform and expand the human security concept. Although we are a unified committee, responsibilities and interests are organized into groups, and managed by key responsible parties within the following:

Academic Events are organized and implemented with the purpose of bringing unique conversations centered around the concept of human security targeting the students of the Moesgaard campus (Department of Anthropology and the Faculty of Arts). Events will take place both at Moesgaard Campus, Aarhus center and outside city limits. These events include, but are not limited to, colloquia, guest speakers, film screenings, discussions of contemporary issues, fieldtrips etc. All are welcome, but the primary focal point of these events will be to broaden understandings of human security and how the concept relates to other, relevant disciplines (anthropology, biology, archeology, etc.). Furthermore, we aim to collaborate with other relevant organizations including actors outside academia to reach a broader audience.

Social Events may be attended by groups or individuals who hold a common interest, but are open to all various backgrounds, disciplines, and creeds, regardless of affiliation. Events may include, but are not limited to, film screenings, cultural- and sports activities, and a yearly Christmas dinner. It is

the aim of the group to throw an event each month throughout the semesters. We will start out with focusing the events on the international students to make sure they get settled and feel equally integrated at campus.

Podcast development will be done with the purpose to translate and transmit conversations surrounding the topic of human security to an audience beyond geographical limits. Due the human security concept having limited visibility in public perceptions, an engaging podcast will not only help to relay information, but will also aid in constructing more locally useful ideas of the concept. Depending on member schedules, the podcast may be released weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly. Further, the podcast will be in partial collaboration with the student newsletter produced at the Moesgaard campus.

Social media and Human Security Website Profiles are in charge of the promotion of the master programme to the outside world. The profiles will be added to the Human Security website (<https://humansecurity.dk/>) monthly with the purpose of better informing potential students and interested visitors on the various engagements and experiences of individuals affiliated with the MSc Human Security programme at Aarhus University. That is, the Human Security Website Profiles will provide a concise and direct experience for those wishing to learn more about the programme.

Group x has been created to shake things up a bit - to be creative in relation to the previous set up of the student committee, which we are following. It is a group dedicated to see if there are other things we as human security student need or want to engage in, other than academic events, social events and administrative tasks. The group's aim is to explore ideas and be creative.

The Board is tasked with scheduling and assisting intra-committee communications, meetings, and task-logs. Additionally, the Board assists all other groups by managing the aforementioned outreach media platforms to help further the Committees purpose. The Board consist of two elected members and representatives from each of the abovementioned groups.

#### UN Council

The aim of participating in the 'Uddannelses Nævn' (UN), is to represent the Human Security programme and channel relevant information from here to the 2019 cohort. Our vision of participation is furthermore to contribute to the shaping of the educational environment on Moesgaard and the University of Aarhus in general.

#### **The work process**

The groups are responsible for their individual meetings to the extent they see it necessary. The Board as described above, will meet with the programme coordinator, Christian B. Gade, once a month to discuss the general development of the programme. The meetings are open to all interested parties and everybody is welcome to participate in the events. When an event is agreed upon, a number of volunteers will take the main responsibility for planning and execution. After each meeting, a short resume is created and shared in the group so that all members, present or not, have the opportunity to follow the progress. In order to keep the whole class involved in the process, resumes concerning planned events will be shared. All events are based on a spirit of volunteering and the extent of each event is, therefore, entirely up to the respective planners.