

LAW & EMOTIONS WORKSHOP - SYLLABUS

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Lesson 1 - Law & Emotions - Introduction to the Field

- 1.1. Common Sense on the relationship between Law and Emotions
- 1.2. Repositioning the discussion: cognitive sciences and new contributions on what an emotion is.
 - 1.2.1 What is an emotion?
- 1.3. A more sophisticated view of the relationship between Law and Emotions
 - 1.3.1. Mapping the field of Law & Emotions
 - 1.3.2. Methods and research questions

Suggested readings - Lesson 1

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Lesson 2 - Fear, Disgust and Law

- 2.1. Negative emotions and their implications for law
- 2.2 Fear and Law
 - 2.2.1. What is fear?
 - 2.2.2. Constitutionalism and fear
 - 2.2.3. Fear and risk regulation
- 2.3. Disgust and Law
 - 2.3.1. What is disgust?
 - 2.3.1. Disgust, discrimination, and law
 - 2.3.2. Influence of disgust on judicial decision-making

2.4. Investigative practice on negative emotions and law

Suggested readings - Lesson 2

- KAHAN, D. M. The progressive appropriation of disgust. In S. A. Bandes (Ed.), *The passions of law* (pp. 63–79). New York University Press, 1999.
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Lesson 3 - Empathy, Compassion, and Law

- 3.1. Affective communication processes, sociability and law
- 3.2. What is empathy?
- 3.3. What is compassion?
- 3.4. Perspectives on empathy, compassion, and law
 - 3.4.1. Empathy and compassion as an obstacle to the spread of negative emotions
 - 3.4.2. Perspectives on empathy, compassion, and judicial decision-making.
 - 3.4.3. Empathy with nature and environmental law: limits and possibilities
- 3.5. Investigative practice on empathy, compassion, and law

Suggested readings - Lesson 3

- BAL, P. Matthijs; VELTKAMP, Martijn. How does fiction reading influence empathy? An experimental investigation on the role of emotional transportation. *PloS one*, v. 8, n. 1, p. e55341, 2013.
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- BLOOM, Paul. *Against empathy: The case for rational compassion*. Random House, 2017.
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- HOFFMAN, Martin L. Empathy, justice, and the law. *Empathy: Philosophical and psychological perspectives*, p. 230-254, 2011.
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