

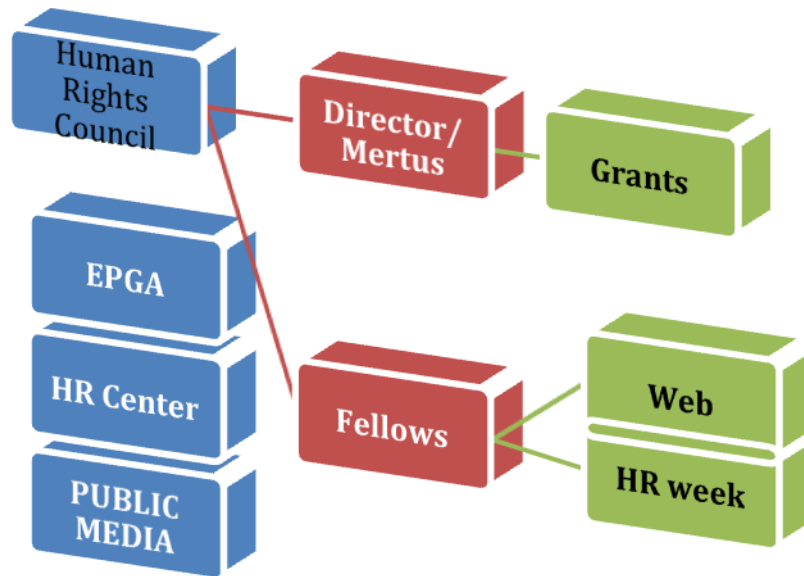
Working Plan for the AU Human Rights Council:

OBJECTIVES	ACTIONS	OUTCOMES
1. Increase visibility of human rights activities on all AU campuses	<p>“Ambassador Program”¹</p> <p>Web site updating</p> <p>Annual Human Rights Week</p>	Spread of information enhances participation, opportunities and reputation
2. Identify and support students who can support the work of the Council	Fellowship program (two fellows drawn from 2 nd year SIS students) ²	Fellows enhance functioning of Council
3. Establish AU as a leader in international disability advocacy	Continue and increase existing involvement in disability law & policy; for major grants	Success at obtaining grants; worldwide reputation on international disability issues
4. Attract excellent students interested in the link between ethics and human rights	<p>Fellowship program (one fellow drawn from 2nd year EPGA students)³</p> <p>Brochure</p> <p>Separate orientation</p>	<p>Continued progressive improvement in the quality of students</p> <p>Improvement of the separate “EPGA identity”</p>
5. Promote AU as a leading source of cutting-edge human rights scholarship	Increase funding for participation in conferences; Distinguished lecture series	American University viewed as center of human rights scholarship

¹ A “Human Rights Ambassador” is a student who spreads publicity on human rights events on campus, mainly by speaking briefly at the beginning of classes. Ambassadors are rewarded for their work with an invitation to a lunch with D.C.-area human rights leaders.

² Fellows must be entering their second year. They cannot be the recipient of another merit award. All SIS (including all EPGA and joint JD/MA) students may apply. Leeanne Dunsmore has suggested that the value of a fellowship be \$9,000. For the first year, AY 2010-2011, students will be notified of the opportunity via e-mail and given until September 10th to submit a short letter application. Details will be on the home page of the Human Rights Council.

³ The fellow must be a second year EPGA student who does not already have a merit scholarship. For the first year, all eligible students will be notified over the summer of the application procedure, which will close on August 1st.



EXPLANATION OF ABOVE GRAPHIC

- Human Rights Council is a separate organization, yet it complements and, at times, supports other entities on campus, such as: the Ethics, Peace and Global Affairs (EPGA) Program; the Washington College of Law’s Human Rights Center; and, the Center for Public Media.
- Professor Julie Mertus is the Co-Director of EPGA and the Director of the Council, through which she applies for grants and, among other activities, supervises the work of the fellows. [Note: there should be a direct line on this graphic between EPGA and Mertus and Fellows.]
- The fellows for the Human Rights Council will share public relations duties and offer research support. However, in addition, one fellow will have primary responsibility for continually updating the Web site and the other will be in charge of HR week and the Distinguished Lecture series.