PRE-TRAINING ASSIGNMENT

Prior to your participation at the Exploring Humanitarian Law (EHL): Preserving Human Rights & Dignity in Conflict Workshop, all participants should prepare the following. As you review these materials, consider what issues might arise if you were to teach these ideas or use these materials and activities as they relate to your specific teaching situation. Materials identified with an asterisk (*) are designated for college/university educators. Secondary educators are also welcome to review these additional materials but it is not required.

1. Complete the Pre-Training Questionnaire for Educators. The purpose of this questionnaire is to have an indication of the experience and views of the educators who will be teaching about international humanitarian law (IHL) and using the EHL curriculum. Please email the completed questionnaire to Mark Lilleleht at outreach@global.wisc.edu no later than June 12, 2012.

2. Complete the IHL Self-Assessment found on the EHL Virtual Campus. This is in a True/False format and includes 21 questions. Please print the results and bring it with you to the workshop.

3. Review the following Fact Sheets:
   - Exploring Humanitarian Law
   - Summary of the Geneva Conventions and Their Additional Protocols

4. Visit and review the following web sites:
   - American Red Cross Exploring Humanitarian Law: www.redcross.org/ehl
   - EHL Virtual Campus: http://www.ehl.icrc.org/
   - International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) Law and War resources: http://www.icrc.org/eng-war-and-law/index.jsp
   - Crimes of War: www.crimesofwar.org

5. Media Wall: During the workshop we will be creating a Media Wall with news clippings that relate to human rights/ IHL issues. Please bring an example or two to share. We will discuss ways to integrate current events into the teaching resources that are highlighted throughout the week. To guide you, take a look at the Media Page found in each of the five modules in EHL. Module 1, pg. 34; Module 2, pg. 83; Module 3, pg. 59; Module 4, pg. 59; Module 5, pg. 60.

6. *(College/University) If time is available, for background information read Chapter 1: Rules of War, Limits of War (pp. 3-27) from the textbook The Law of Armed Conflict – International Humanitarian Law in War, by Gary D. Solis, 2010, Cambridge University Press. Used with permission from the copyright holder.

If you have any questions regarding the pre-training assignment, please contact Mark Lilleleht at 608.265.6070 or e-mail: outreach@global.wisc.edu.