Customary International Humanitarian Law is a four-volume textbook and legal treatise that aims to explain the rules of international humanitarian law that are applicable in armed conflicts. The textbook is designed for university students, law schools, and as a reference for legal professionals.

The handbook explores the various aspects of international humanitarian law, including the legal principles and rules that govern the conduct of armed conflicts, the rights and obligations of parties to conflict, and the protection of civilians and other non-combatants. The text is presented in a clear and comprehensive manner, with an emphasis on providing practical guidance and insights into the application of international humanitarian law in real-world situations.

Key topics covered in the handbook include:

- The legal definition and classification of armed conflicts
- The legal nature and status of non-international armed conflicts
- The适用 of international humanitarian law to armed conflicts of a non-international nature
- The legal principles of necessity and proportionality
- The protection of civilians, including women, children, and elderly persons
- The treatment of prisoners of war, including the definition of prisoners of war, their rights, and the obligations of belligerents
- The protection of the civilian population, including the prohibition of collective punishment
- The protection of the environment, including the prohibition of environmental destruction
- The use of internationally prohibited weapons, including the prohibition of chemical and biological weapons
- The accountability of states and non-state armed groups for violations of international humanitarian law

The handbook is an essential resource for students, scholars, and legal professionals who are involved in teaching, researching, and applying international humanitarian law in the context of armed conflicts. It provides a comprehensive and up-to-date overview of the legal principles and rules that govern the conduct of armed conflicts and the protection of civilians and other non-combatants.