

SYLLABUS: International Relations 1: General

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Faculty Business and Social Sciences
Study Program International Relations (INR)

SUBJECT: International Relations 1: General

1 Basic Information

1.01	Subject Name	International Relations 1: General
1.02	Semester	1
1.03	Level	
1.04	SKS	3
1.05	Mandatory / Curriculum	D-07
1.06	Subject Code	INR1
1.07	Subject Code	
1.08	Year	2017
1.09	Quality Control	Final Test, OFSE, see evaluation
1.10	Limitations	Min 12 and Max 32 students in one class
1.11	Combined with	
1.12	Perquisite	None
1.13	Responsible	Ben K. C. Laksana
1.14	Revision	17-08-2017 / SaK

2 Description of Subject

This course introduces students to the broad study of international relations and will focus on various themes and debates in the arena of contemporary global affairs. Issues such as the changing nature of conflicts, human rights, the impacts of globalisation, regional integration, the growing role of non-state actors and variety of other issues will be examined in this course. The course will also introduce students to a variety of theoretical approaches to understanding these issues and will also emphasize case-study analysis to test and evaluate competing theoretical approaches. The course will heavily rely on extensive classroom discussions concerning various topics as many of these topics are subject to ongoing debate and must be discussed as a means of understanding these issues from all sides. This is done in hope having the students to make sense of what is unfolding in global affairs. These topics through in-class presentations, exercises discussions (both face-to-face), readings (from both text and on-line sources), exercises (both individual and group-based), and a variety of graded assignments and tests.

3 Objectives

- Introduce students to the main topics in the subjects.
- Locate the subject position within international studies in order for student to make critical assessment about the subject importance and relationship with other subjects in the area of study.
- Expose students to recent developments in the area.
- Familiarize students with the essential bibliography on the subject.
- Guide student on developing skills in practical aspects of the subject (if any).

4 Competency

After having the course, students are expected to:

- demonstrate a critical understanding of the actors, issues and debates that concern international relations today and how they shape the foreign policy decisions of states;
- demonstrate a critical understanding of the theoretical approaches to international relations and are able to test the theories using empirical data;
- develop their capacity for critically engaging with the provided information from texts and other sources of information;
- be able to conduct independent research;
- prepare and structure an argumentative essay that is cogent and persuasive.

5 Learning Approach / Methodology

- Lectures/ Class contact (time-tabled) supplemented with interactive questions and answers;
- Student Study Effort: homework/assignment; preparation for test/quizzes/ examination.

6 Evaluation

5.1	Absence maximum	25%
5.2	Participation in Discussion	0 Points
5.3	Homework / Classwork	15 Points
5.4	Presentation /Simulation	15 Points
5.5	Daily Quiz	10 Points
5.6	Final Examination	60 Points
	Total	100 Points

7 Text Book and Reference

1	Main Text Book: <i>International Relations</i> , 2016. Authors: Goldstein, Joshua S. and Jon C. Pevehouse. Publisher: Pearson. ISBN: 978-0134404769
2	Supplement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Encounters with World Affairs: An Introduction to International Relations</i>, 2015. Authors: Kavalski, Emilian. Publisher: Ashgate. ISBN: 978-1472411167 • <i>The Globalization of World Politics: An Introduction to International Relations</i>, 2017. Authors: Baylis, John, Steve Smith and Patricia Owens. Publisher: Oxford University Press. ISBN: 978-0198739852

8 Content / Topics of Lecture

Week	Content/ Topics of Lecturing	Text Book	Remark
1	Introducing International Relations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are International Relations? • Actors and influences • Core principles • Levels of analysis • Brief overview of core theories 	Ch 1	
2	Realist Theories <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defining Power • Estimating Power • Elements of Power • Anarchy and Sovereignty • Balance of Power • Great Powers and Middle • Power Distribution • Hegemony • The Great Power System, • Purposes of Alliances • NATO • Other Alliances • Regional Alignments 	Ch 2	
3	Liberal Theories <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Waning of War • Kant and Peace • Liberal Institutionalism • International Regimes • Collective Security • The Democratic Peace • Identities and Ideas Matter • Postmodernism • Marxism • Peace Studies • Gender Theories 	Ch 3	

4	<p>Foreign Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Models of Decision Making • Individual Decision Makers • Group Psychology • Crisis Management • Domestic Influences • Bureaucracies • Interest Groups • The Military-Industrial Complex • Public Opinion 	Ch 4	
5	<p>International Conflict</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Types of War • Theories of the Causes of War • Nationalism • Ethnic Conflict • Genocide • Religious Conflict • Ideological Conflict • Territorial Disputes • Control of Governments • Economic Conflict 	Ch 5	
6	<p>Military Force and Terrorism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land Forces: Controlling Territory • Naval Forces: Controlling the Seas • Air Forces: Controlling the Skies • Coordinating Forces: Logistics and Intelligence • Terrorism • Nuclear Strategy and Arms Control • Chemical and Biological Weapons • Military Economics • Control of Military Forces • Civil-Military Relations 	Ch 6	
7	<p>International Organization, Law and Human Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roles of International Organizations • The United Nations system • The Security Council • Peacekeeping Forces • The Secretariat • The General Assembly • UN Programs • Autonomous Agencies • Sources of International Law • Enforcement of International Law • The World Court • International Cases in • National Courts • Laws of Diplomacy • Just War Doctrine • Individual Rights versus Sovereignty • Human Rights Institutions • War Crimes • The Evolution of World Order 	Ch 7	
8	MIDTERM SEMESTER BREAK		

9	<p>International Political Economy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liberalism and Mercantilism • Comparative Advantage • Political Interference in Markets • Protectionism • The World Trade Organization • Bilateral and Regional Agreements • Cartels • Industries and Interest Groups • Enforcement of Trade Rules • The Evolving World Economy • Resistance to Trade • About Money • International Currency Exchange • Why Currencies Rise or Fall Central Banks • The World Bank and the IMF • National Accounts • International Debt • The Position of the United States • The Position of Russia and Eastern Europe • The Position of Asia • Multinational Corporations • Foreign Direct Investment • Host and Home Government Relations 	Ch 8, 9	
10	<p>International Integration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Globalization an integration • The Vision of a United Europe • The Treaty of Rome • Structure of the European Union • The Single European Act • The Maastricht Treaty • Monetary Union • Expanding the European Union • The Lisbon Treaty • Connecting the World • Information as a Tool of Governments • Information as a Tool against Governments • Telecommunications and Global Culture 	Ch 10	
11	<p>Environment and Population</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainable Development • The Atmosphere • Biodiversity • Forests and Oceans • Pollution • World Energy • Minerals • Water Disputes • The Demographic Transition • Population Policies • Diseases 	Ch 11	

12	The North and South Gap and International Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Newly Industrializing Countries • The Chinese and Indian Experience • Import Substitution and Export-Led Growth • Concentrating Capital for Manufacturing • Corruption • Foreign Investment • North-South Debt • IMF Conditionality • The South in International • Economic Regimes • Patterns of Foreign Assistance • Types of Foreign assistance • The Politics of Foreign Assistance • The Impact of Foreign Assistance 	Ch 12, 13	
13	Student Presentation		
14	Student Presentation		
15	Summary		
16	Final Examination		