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PolS 571 Seminar in International Relations
(Proseminar in International Relations)
Fall 2004
Room 1171, BSB
M, 03:30 - 06:00 pm

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course offers graduate students an introduction to the study of world politics. The bulk of the course explores major theories of international relations as well as of international political economy, and their empirical applications. This course also is designed to give students an opportunity to develop, design and write a research paper that can be presented at a conference or sent out to a journal for publication in the near future.

GRADING POLICY:

Class Participation (25 points): You are expected to actively participate in class discussion. Participation would include thoughtful comments, sophisticated questions about readings, clear evidence of active listening to your fellow students, and other valuable contributions to classroom discussion.

A Research Paper Outline (25 points): Its purpose is to help you to choose your research paper topic as early as possible. It should include both introduction and literature review as well as research design. The due date is *October 18*. The paper should be eight to ten pages long, typed, double-spaced, in a legible font (10 to 12 point), with 1 inch margins on standard letter-size paper.

A Research Paper (50 points): Its purpose is to allow you to demonstrate their research potential. It should include introduction, literature review, research design, empirical results (or case studies), conclusion and references. The due date is *December 3*. The paper should be about 20 to 25-page long (including a reference page), typed, double-spaced, in a legible font (10 to 12 point), with 1 inch margins on standard letter-size paper.

OTHER COURSE POLICIES

Late work: I am willing to help solve almost any special problem or concern you might have about this course. However, this is only possible if you talk to me about it **in advance** of assignment due dates. Extensions for assigned work will be granted only for documented medical or family emergencies. In sum, if you anticipate difficulty submitting assigned work by the specified due date because of illness or other emergency, extensions are possibly only when you

- contact me in advance (by email, phone, or voice mail)
- provide me with appropriate documentation

Computer-related problems: Ultimately, you are responsible for backing up your own work and caring properly for your own computing equipment. I will grant extensions for assignments due to computer-related problems, but only in the rarest of circumstances. First, I will not entertain any requests for extensions due to computer-related problems made to me within 12 hours of the paper's due date. If you expect computer difficulties to make it impossible for you to submit a paper by the due date (and that due date is not within 12 hours away) contact me and we will discuss alternative arrangements for you.

Accommodations for disabilities: If you need accommodations because of a disability, if you have emergency medical information to share with me, or if you need special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please inform me immediately. Please see me privately after class, or at my office.

Students with disabilities requiring academic accommodations in this course are encouraged to contact a coordinator at the Office of Disabilities Services, 1200 W. Harrison St. Room 1190 SSB (MC 321). And please, make an appointment to meet and discuss your needs with me at least one day prior to the due dates. This is necessary in order to ensure sufficient time to make the necessary arrangements.

Academic dishonesty: The University expects students to fulfill their academic obligations through honest and independent effort. Any effort to gain an advantage not given to all students is dishonest whether or not the effort is successful. Academic dishonesty is considered a serious offense subject to strong disciplinary actions, including being dropped from the course with a grade of "F."

Classroom etiquette: You are expected to observe all rules of proper classroom conduct. In order to insure an appropriate environment conducive to learning by all: (1) please refrain from talking, eating or other disruptive activity during class; even one or two conversations quickly create distractions for other students; (2) no cell phone calls, incoming or outgoing, are allowed in this class; please turn off your cell phone or set to vibrate; and (3) please do not come to class late. Also, please do not leave class early; if you must do so, tell me beforehand and arrange to sit near the door so your exit will be less disruptive.

COURSE SCHEDULE

August 23: Introduction

- Brecher, Michael. 1999. "International Studies in the Twentieth Century and Beyond: Flawed Dichotomies, Syntheses, Cumulation: ISA Presidential Address." *International Studies Quarterly* 43 (2): 213-264.

August 30: Research on World Politics

- Bremer, Stuart A., Patrick M. Regan and David H. Clark. 2003. "Building a Science of World Politics: Emerging Methodologies and the Study of Conflict." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 47 (1): 3-12.
- Bennett, D. Scott and Allan C. Stam. 2000. "Research Design and Estimator Choices in the Analysis of Interstate Dyads." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 44 (5): 653-685.
- Peter Katzenstein, Robert O. Keohane, and Stephen D. Krasner, 1998, "International Organization and the Study of World Politics," *International Organization* 52 (4): 645-683.

September 6: Labor Day Holiday. University Closed

September 13: Realism, Neorealism and Neoliberalism

- Hansclever, Andreas, Peter Mayer and Volker Rittberger. 2000. "Integrating Theories of International Regimes." *Review of International Studies* 26 (1): 3-33.
- Powell, Robert. 1994. "Anarchy in International Relations Theory: The Neorealist-Neoliberal Debate." *International Organization* 48(2): 313-344.
- Morgenthau, Hans J. 1985. 6th ed. *Politics among Nations: The Struggle for Power and Peace*. Revised by Kenneth W. Thompson. New York, St. Louis and San Francisco: McGraw-Hill, Inc. Chapter 1 A Realist Theory of International Politics. 3-17.
- Waltz, Kenneth N. 1979. *Theory of International Politics*. Reading, Mass.: Addison-Wesley Pub. Co. Chapter 4 Reductionist and Systemic Theories and Chapter 5 Political Structures. 60-101.

September 20: Rationalism versus Constructivism

- Fearon, James and Alexander Wendt. 2002. "Rationalism v. Constructivism: A Skeptical View." In Walter Carlsnaes, Thomas Risse and Beth A. Simmons. Eds. *Handbook of International Relations*. London and Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications. 52-72.
- Snidal, Duncan. 2002. "Rational Choice and International Relations." In Walter Carlsnaes, Thomas Risse and Beth A. Simmons. Eds. *Handbook of International Relations*. London and Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications. 73-94.
- Adler, Emanuel. 2002. "Constructivism and International Relations." In Walter Carlsnaes, Thomas Risse and Beth A. Simmons. Eds. *Handbook of International Relations*. London and Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications. 95-118.

September 27: The Democratic Peace

- Rosato, Sebastian. 2003. "The Flawed Logic of Democratic Peace Theory." *American Political Science Review* 97 (4): 585-602.
- Oneal, John R. and Bruce Russett. 2000. "Comment: Why 'an Identified Systemic Model of the Democracy-Peace Nexus' does not Persuade." *Defence and Peace Economics* 11 (2): 197-214.
- James, Patrick, Eric Solberg and Murray Wolfson. 2000. "Democracy and Peace: Reply to Oneal and Russett." *Defence and Peace Economics* 11 (2): 215-229.
- James, Patrick, Eric Solberg and Murray Wolfson. 1999. "An Identified Systemic Model of the Democracy-Peace Nexus." *Defence and Peace Economics* 10 (1): 1-37.
- Oneal, John R. and Bruce Russett. 1999. "The Kantian Peace: The Pacific Benefits of Democracy, Interdependence, and International Organization." *World Politics* 52 (1): 1-37.

October 4: Ethnic and Civil Wars

- Carment, David and Frank Harvey. 2001. *Using Force to Prevent Ethnic Violence: An Evaluation of Theory and Evidence*. Westport, CT: Praeger Publishers. Chapter 7 Evaluating Third-Party Efforts to End Intrastate Ethnic Conflict. 123-146.
- Carment, David and Patrick James. 2000. "Explaining Third Party Intervention in Ethnic Conflict." *Nations and Nationalism* 6 (2): 173-202.
- Carment, David and Dane Rowlands. 1998. "Three's Company: Evaluating Third Party Intervention in Intrastate Conflict." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 42 (5): 572-599.
- Regan, Patrick M. 1996. "Conditions for Successful Third-Party Interventions in Intrastate Conflicts." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 40 (2): 336-59.

October 11: Terrorism

- Jervis, Robert. 2003. "Understanding the Bush doctrine." *Political Science Quarterly* 118 (3): 365-388.
- Enders, Walter and Todd Sandler. 2000. "Is Transnational Terrorism Becoming More Threatening? A Time-Series Investigation." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 44 (3): 307-332.
- O'Brien, Sean P. 1996. "Foreign Policy Crises and the Resort to Terrorism: A Time-Series Analysis of Conflict Linkages." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 40 (2): 320-335.
- Gibbs, Jack P. 1989. "Conceptualization of Terrorism." *American Sociological Review* 54 (3): 329-340.

October 18: Movie Review: Air Force One (Research Paper Outline Due)

(Its purpose is to get you to critically think about the movie in terms of American Foreign Policy.)

October 25: Theories of International Political Economy

- Gilpin, Robert. 1987. *The Political Economy of International Relations*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. Chapter 2 Three Ideologies of Political Economy. 25-64.

- Wallerstein, Immanuel. 2000. *The Essential Wallerstein*. New York: New Press. Chapter 8 World Systems Analysis. 129-148.

November 1: Foreign Direct Investment

- Jensen, Nathan M. 2003. “Democratic Governance and Multinational Corporations: Political Regimes and Inflows of Foreign Direct Investment.” *International Organization* 57 (3): 587-616.
- Li, Quan and Adam Resnick. 2003. “Reversal of Fortunes: Democratic Institutions and Foreign Direct Investment Inflows to Developing Countries.” *International Organization* 57 (1): 175-211.
- Oneal, John R. 1994. “The Affinity of Foreign Investors for Authoritarian Regimes.” *Political Research Quarterly* 47 (3): 565-588.
- Schneider, Friedrich and Bruno S. Frey. 1985. “Economic and Political Determinants of Foreign Direct Investment.” *World Development* 13 (2): 161-175.

November 8: Regionalism and Globalization

- Keohane, Robert. 2001. “Governance in a Partially Globalized World.” *American Political Science Review* 95 (1): 1-15.
- Barbieri, Katherine and Gerald Schneider. 1999. “Globalization and Peace: Assessing New Directions in the Study of Trade and Conflict.” *Journal of Peace Research* 36 (4): 387-404.
- Mansfield, Edward D. and Helen V Milner. 1999. “The New Wave of Regionalism.” *International Organization* 53 (3): 589-627.
- Evans, Peter B. 1997. “The Eclipse of the State? Reflections on Stateness in an Era of Globalization.” *World Politics* 50 (1): 62-87.

November 15: Environmental Politics

- Helm, Carsten Helm and Detlef Sprinz. 2000. “Measuring the Effectiveness of International Environmental Regimes.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 44 (5): 630-652.
- Hauge, Wenche Hauge and Tanja Ellingsen. 1998. “Beyond Environmental Scarcity: Causal Pathways to Conflict.” *Journal of Peace Research* 35(3): 299-317.
- Wapner, Paul. 1995. “Politics Beyond the State: Environmental Activism and World Civic Politics.” *World Politics* 47 (3): 311-340.

November 15: Guest Lecture on War Against Terrorism After the Presidential Election Emeritus Professor Paul Wallace, University of Missouri, Columbia

November 22: Research Paper Presentations

November 29: Research Paper Presentations and Final Thoughts

December 3: Research Paper Due