

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

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I. BRIEF COURSE DESCRIPTION

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OBJECTIVES

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III. TEXTS

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2. Robert J. Art and Robert Jervis (eds.), International Politics (3rd ed.), 1992

3. C.W. Kegley Jr. and K.R. Mitkoff (eds.), The Global Agenda: Issues and Perspectives (3rd ed.), 1988 (KW on the readings list.)

GRADING:

Grades for each component will be recorded on the 9 point scale.

IV.

Component	Weight	Date
First Library Assignment	5%	Oct. 1, 1992
First Term Paper	15%	Nov. 17, 1992
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UNIT I: INTRODUCTION AND CORE CONCEPTS

- A) INTRODUCTION: 1 week
 - a) Course objectives and requirements
 - b) International Politics and International Relations
 - c) Levels of Analysis in International Relations

Rourke, chapter 1
- B) CORE CONCEPTS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS: 3 weeks
STATE LEVEL
 - A) Actors
 - B) Sovereignty
 - C) National Interest
 - D) Power, Capability, and Influence

Rourke, chapter 5, 9
 KW, chapters 1, 11
 Morgenthau, Politics Among Nations, pp 117-149
 [Reserve Reading #1]
- C) CORE CONCEPTS: SYSTEM LEVEL 1 week
 - a) Order and Anarchy
 - b) Bipolarity to Multipolarity
 - c) Hegemony

Rourke, chapter 3
 Art & Jarvis, pp. 1-15

UNIT II: THE SYSTEM LEVEL

- A) THEORETICAL ANCHORS 3 weeks
 - a) Realism and Liberalism
 - b) Integration Theory
 - c) Interdependence
 - d) System Theory
 - e) Regime Theory

KW, Chapter 12, 21
 Puchala, "The Integration Theorists..." (Reserve #2)
 Art & Jarvis, pp 36-69, 95-101
 Krasser, "Structural Causes and Regime Consequences"
 [Reserve #3]
- B) THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE "MODERN" SYSTEM 1 week
 - a) Historical Systems
 - b) European Systems
 - c) Contemporary International System

Rourke, chapter 2
- C) THE CONTEMPORARY STATES SYSTEM 2 weeks
 - a) "Balance of Power"
 - b) Alliances
 - c) The Great Powers

Claude, "The Management of Power..." (Reserve #4)
 RW, chapter 8, 16, 18, 13, 14
 Art & Jarvis, pp 70-79, 102-112

UNIT III: FOREIGN POLICY: THE STATE AND INDIVIDUAL LEVEL

- A) FOREIGN POLICY FORMULATION AT THE STATE LEVEL 2 weeks
 - a) National Interest and National Security
 - b) Economic Determinants
 - c) Organizational and Bureaucratic Politics

Rourke, chapters 6, 7, 8
 Allison, "The Essence of Decision..." (Reserve #5)
 RW, chapter 6, 23, 27, 28

B) FOREIGN POLICY FORMULATION: THE INDIVIDUAL 1 week

- a) Perception
 - b) Crisis Decision-making
- KW, chapter 8
Rourke, chapter 4
Art & Jervis, pp. 391-490

UNIT IV: FOREIGN POLICY INSTRUMENTS

- A) NON-VIOLENT FOREIGN POLICY MEANS 1 week
- a) Diplomacy
 - b) Propaganda
 - c) Economic
- KW, chapters 25, 26, 2
Rourke, chapters 12, 11
Art & Jervis, pp. 79-89, 310-330, 348-360, 375-390, 267-288

B) THE USE OF FORCE 3 weeks

- a) Clandestine Actions and Military Intervention
 - b) Conventional Warfare
 - c) Chemical and Biological Weapons
 - d) Nuclear Deterrence
 - e) Arms control
 - f) Proliferation
- Rourke, chapters 10, 17
KW, chapters 3, 5, 7, 9, 16, 17
Federal Emergency Management Agency, "Shelter Management Handbooks" (Reserve #6, slide read)
Gray and Payne, "Victory is Possible" (Reserve #7)
Art and Jervis, pp. 113-230

C) STATE AND NON-STATE TERRORISM 1 week

- KW, chapters 10

UNIT V: INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY

- A) BASIC REGIMES 1 week
- a) IMP
 - b) GATT
 - c) OPEC
 - d) The Role of the Multinational Enterprises

KW, chapter 24
Rourke, chapter 13
Art & Jervis, 231-266, 361-374

B) ISSUE AREAS 2 weeks

- a) The Decline of the U.S.
- b) The Debt Crisis

KW, chapters 22, 29, 15
Keohane, *After Hegemony*, pp 31-46 (Reserve #8)
Rourke, chapter 13, 16

UNIT VI: REGULATING THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM

A) ETHICS 1 week

- a) International Morality
- b) Order vs Justice

Art & Jervis, pp. 491-524

B) LAW AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS 1 week

- a) Foundations of Law
- b) Treaties
- c) IHO's

Rourke, chapters 15, 16
KW, chapters 19, 20

UNIT VII: ECOLOGY AND POLITICS

3 weeks

- a) Hunger and Food Supply
- b) Population
- c) Environment

KW, chapters 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39
(selectively)
IIED/Sarthacan, "Our Common Future" (Reserve #9)
Rourke, chapter 19
Art & Jervis, pp. 525-586

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4. Robert Gilpin, The Political Economy of International Relations (1987) (Gilpin on the Readings list.)

5. H. Bull, The Anarchical Society, 1977 (Note: This text is optional, A copy has been placed on reserve.)

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- Rourke, chapter 2, 9
Matthews, pp. 105-121
RW, chapter 1
Morgenthau, Politics Among Nations, pp. 112-149
(Reserve Reading #1)

C) CORE CONCEPTS: SYSTEM LEVEL 1 week

- a) Order
- b) Bipolarity to Multipolarity
- c) Hegemony

Hull, chapters 1 & 2 (optional)
Matthews, pp 383 - 389
Rourke, chapter 3

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 - c) Interdependence
 - d) System Theory
 - e) Regime Theory
- Matthews, pp 374-382
Gilpin, chapter 2, pp 65-80
KW, chapters 21, 22
Krasner, "Structural Coups and Regime Consequences"
(Reserve #2)
- B) THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE "MODERN" SYSTEM 1 week
- a) Historical Systems
 - b) European Systems
 - c) Contemporary International System
- Rourke, chapter 2
Matthews, pp 390-410, 397-399, 468-457
Bull, chapter 5 (optional)
- C) THE CONTEMPORARY STATUS SYSTEM 2 weeks
- a) "Balance of Power"
 - b) Alliances
 - c) The Great Powers
- KW, chapter 8, 16
Bull, chapters 3, 9 (optional)

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- Rourke, chapters 6, 7, 8
Matthews, pp 342-362, 382-394, 215-246
KW, chapter 7

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- Matthews, pp 9-85
KW, chapters 10, 11
Rourke, chapter 4

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- a) Diplomacy
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 - c) Economic
- Rourke, chapters 12, 11
Matthews, pp 207-214
- B) THE CONVENTIONAL USE OF FORCE 1 week
- a) Covert Operations and Military Intervention
 - b) Conventional Warfare
 - c) Chemical and Biological Weapons
- Rourke, pp. 255-268
KW, chapters 2, 3
Matthews, pp. 143-186
- C) NON-CONVENTIONAL STRATEGY AND WARFARE 2 weeks
- a) Deterrence
 - b) Arms control
 - c) Proliferation
- Rourke, pp. 268-293, chapter 17
KW, chapters 4, 5, 6, 9, 14, 15, 17, 38
Matthews, pp 473-492, 514, 542, 600-603
Federal Emergency Management Agency, "Shelter Management Handbook" (Reserve #3, skim read)
Gray and Payne, "Victory is Possible" (Reserve #4)
- D) STATE AND NON-STATE TERRORISM 1 week

KW, chapters 11, 12
Matthews, pp 315-327

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- A) BASIC REGIMES 2 weeks
- a) IMF
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 - c) OPEC
 - d) The Role of the Multinational Enterprise
- Gilpin, pp. 80-260 (pay particular attention to pp. 111-116, 134-142, 223-229, 252-260 and skip the rest).
- KW, chapters 23, 25, 26, 27, 30
- Matthews, pp. 342-362
- Rourke, chapter 13
- B) ISSUE AREAS 1 week
- a) The Decline of the U.S.
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- Matthews, pp 578-585
- KW, chapters 28, 29, 38
- Keohane, Alfred Heggemoy, pp 31-46 (Reserve #5)
- Gilpin, chapter 7 & 8 (particularly chapter 7)
- Rourke, chapter 14, 18

UNIT VI: CHANGE IN THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM

- A) THE "TRAGEDY OF THE COMMONS" 1 week
- a) Hunger and Food Supply
 - b) Population
 - c) Environmentalism
- KW, chapters 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37
- IIED/Earthscan, "Our Common Future" (Reserve #6)
- Rourke, chapter 19
- B) SYSTEM STABILITY AND CHANGE 2 weeks
- a) International Cooperation
 - b) Alternatives to the States System
 - c) Sustainable Peaceful Competition
 - d) The "New World Order" (7)
- Koleti, chapter 16
- Bull, chapters 10, (required)
- Gilpin, chapter 9
- Bull, chapters 11, 12, 13 (optional)
- Other readings TBA.

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