

PS 12: International Relations
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Peterson 108

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Syllabus

This course introduces students to the study of international politics. No prior background in international relations is assumed. Students will acquire the basic analytic tools necessary to understand and explain a variety of international phenomena including war, terrorism, globalization, environmental degradation, and human rights practices.

Readings

The primary readings for this course will be from a draft textbook: Jeffrey A. Frieden, David A. Lake, and Kenneth A. Schultz, *International Relations: Interests, Interactions, and Institutions* (New York: W. W. Norton, forthcoming 2009). The manuscript is denoted as "FLS" below and is available on only the web at: http://dss.ucsd.edu/~dlake/FLS_text.htm. Note that this is a first draft of the text, and the chapters are sometimes uneven. Your reactions to the draft will be solicited periodically as we revise it for eventual publication.

All other readings are available through electronic reserves at the library.

Because we read substantial portions of these books, and they are great resources, you may also want to purchase:

Michael R. Gordon and General Bernard E. Trainor, *Cobra II: The Inside Story of the Invasion and Occupation of Iraq* (New York: Pantheon, 2006). Available in paperback on Amazon for \$10.88.

Jeffrey A. Frieden, *Global Capitalism: Its Fall and Rise in the Twentieth Century* (New York, W. W. Norton, 2006). Available in paperback on Amazon for \$12.21.

Grades

Grades for this course will be based on 1) Section (30 percent), 2) Midterm (30 percent), and 3) Final (40 percent). Section requirements may differ by Teaching Assistant.

Exams

Both the midterm and final exam will be a mix of short answer and essay questions. The short answer questions will be drawn from the readings. The essay questions will be based on lecture and readings.

All students must take the midterm and final exams at the scheduled time. Missed exams may be made up only after a Doctor's note is submitted explaining why you were too ill to take the exam. There are no exceptions to this policy.

Course Webpage

Additional copies of this syllabus and appropriate links are available on the course webpage at <http://dss.ucsd.edu/~dlake/courses/ps12/ps12.htm>. The Powerpoint slides from lecture will be available

before class on this page as well. It is recommended that you download the slides before each lecture to facilitate note taking. The slides are not a substitute for lecture.

Schedule of Topics and Readings

I. Introduction

April 2 & 4 *Conflict and Cooperation*

FLS Chapter 1

G. John Ikenberry, *After Victory: Institutions, Strategic Restraint, and the Rebuilding of Order after Major Wars* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2001), pp. 163-214 (Chapter 6).

April 9 & 11 *Interests, Interactions, and Institutions*

FLS Chapter 2

Michael R. Gordon and General Bernard E. Trainor, *Cobra II: The Inside Story of the Invasion and Occupation of Iraq* (New York: Pantheon, 2006), pp.55-137 (Chapters 4-7).

II. War and Peace

April 16 & 18: *Bargaining and War*

FLS Chapter 3

Dan Reiter, Exploring the Bargaining Model of War, *Perspectives on Politics* 1, 1 (2003), pp.27-47.

John Mearsheimer and Stephen Walt, An Unnecessary War, *Foreign Policy*, January/February 2003, pp.50-59.

April 23 *International Institutions and War*

FLS Chapter 4

Michael J. Glennon, Why the Security Council Failed, *Foreign Affairs* Vol. 82, No. 3 (May/June 2003), pp.16-35.

April 25 *Domestic Politics and War*

FLS Chapter 5

John Mearsheimer and Stephen Walt, The Israeli Lobby and U.S. Foreign Policy. Working Paper Number:RWP06-011, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University (http://ksgnotes1.harvard.edu/Research/wpaper.nsf/rwp/RWP06-011/SFile/rwp_06_011_walt.pdf). Also available in an edited version at the London Review of Books at http://www.lrb.co.uk/v28/n06/mear01_.htm

Or

Arthur Macewan, Is it Oil? *Dollars & Sense* Issue 247 (May-June 2003). Available at: <http://www.dollarsandsense.org/archives/2003/0503macewan.html>.

April 30 *Mid-term*

III. Globalization

May 2 & 7 *International Trade*

FLS Chapter 6

Ronald Rogowski, Political Cleavages and Changing Exposure to Trade, *American Political Science Review* 81, 4 (December 1987), pp.1121-1137.

Jeffrey G. Williamson, Globalization and Inequality, Past and Present, *The World Bank Research Observer* 12, 2 (1997), pp.117-135.

May 9 *International Monetary and Financial Relations*

FLS Chapter 7

Jeffrey A. Frieden, *Global Capitalism: Its Fall and Rise in the Twentieth Century* (New York: W. W. Norton, 2006), pp.363-412 (Chapters 16-17).

May 14 *Development*

FLS Chapter 8

Jeffrey A. Frieden, *Global Capitalism: Its Fall and Rise in the Twentieth Century* (New York: W. W. Norton, 2006), pp.413-456 (Chapters 18-19).

IV. Global Civil Society

May 16 *Transnational Advocacy Groups*

FLS Chapter 9, part I

Margaret E. Keck and Kathryn Sikkink, *Activists Beyond Borders: Advocacy Networks in International Politics* (Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 1998), pp.165-198 (Chapter 5).

May 21 *Terrorism*

FLS Chapter 9, part II

Robert Pape, The Strategic Logic of Suicide Terrorism, *American Political Science Review* 93, 3 (2003), pp.343-361.

May 23 *The Global Environment*

FLS Chapter 10

M.J. Peterson, Whalers, Cetologists, Environmentalists, and the International Management of Whaling," *International Organization* 46, 1 (1992), pp. 147-186.

May 28 (Memorial Day, no class)

May 30 *International Human Rights*

FLS Chapter 11

Emilie M. Hafner-Burton, Trading Human Rights: How Preferential Trade Agreements Influence Government Repression, *International Organization* 59, 3 (2005), pp.593-629.

V. Conclusion

June 4 & 6 *The Future of International Politics*

FLS Chapter 12

James D. Fearon, Iraq's Civil War, *Foreign Affairs* 86, 2 (March/April 2007), pp.2-15.

Daniel W. Drezner, The New New World Order, *Foreign Affairs* 86, 2 (March/April 2007), pp.34-46.

Final Exam, Monday, June 11, 11:30-2:30 PM.