

Contemporary International Policy-Making Environment: *Confronting Global Challenges*

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course provides students with a general overview of how multilateralism and global governance may facilitate international policy making in meeting global challenges. The readings, discussions, and guest speakers survey emerging issues in the debate on global governance. Special attention is given to the role of international organizations, specifically the United Nations. Emerging security issues are discussed, including terrorism, weapons of mass destruction, peacekeeping operations, and prospects for peacebuilding in war-torn societies. The course concludes with a consideration of global policies on investment and trade, combating poverty, and the sustainable development.

REQUIREMENTS

A. ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION [10% of grade]

Students are expected to complete the assigned readings each week and actively participate in class discussion

B. ANALYTICAL CRITIQUES [20% of grade]

- Each student will be write and circulate two critiques of the assigned readings. These critiques will be up to 500 words in length, with guidelines distributed for their format.
- Students will select two dates for their presentations and the course assistant will distribute the readings in the course pack so that no more than two students comment on a given article.
- Critiques should be sent to the class via e-mail on the Monday before class meets, with a hard copy submitted to the professor.

C. TAKE-HOME MIDTERM: [30% of grade]

The midterm will require that you choose two essay topics, chosen from an assigned list. Each essay will be limited to a maximum of five pages in length. The midterm is due on June 24.

D. FINAL EXAM or RESEARCH PAPER: [40% of grade]

Option #1

There will be an in-class final examination during the class period on July 22. Most students are expected to take the exam, but you may choose to write a research paper instead if you meet the necessary deadlines [see below]. The final exam covers all of the material in the course.

Option #2

You may choose to write a 15-page term paper instead of the final examination, if you have an approved research design by June 10, and one sample chapter completed by July 8. The paper is due July 22.

REQUIRED READINGS: COURSE PACK

Each student is expected to purchase a course reader for the class containing the articles for each week as listed below, available at **Copy Quick** (located on Amsterdam Avenue between 119th and 120th).

RECOMMENDED READINGS: BACKGROUD AND REFERENCE

Thomas G. Weiss, . **Global Agenda: Issues Before the 58th General Assembly of the United Nations.** Boulder: Westview Press, 2004.

United Nations Association. **United Nations and Changing World Politics.** 4th edition. New York: Rowman and Littlefield, 2004.

TOPICS AND READINGS

Week 1 (5/20): Actors and Historical Legacies

Nye, Joe “The New Rome Meets the New Barbarians” *The Economist* (March 23, 2002)

Josef Joffe, “Who’s Afraid of Mr. Big?” *The National Interest*, (Summer, 2001).

Higgins, Rosalyn. **Problems and Process**, Chapter 7: Self-Determination.

Shashi Tharoor, “The Messy Afterlife of Colonialism,” *Global Governance*, 8:1 (Jan.-March 2002): 1-6.

Week 2 (5/27): Multilateralism and Global Governance

Bennis, Calling the Shots, Chapters 1 and 10.

Richard Falk, Andrew Strauss, "Toward Global Parliament," Foreign Affairs, vol. 80, no. 1 (January/February 2001): 212-20.

David Rieff, "The Millennium Assembly," Global Governance, Vol. 7, Issue 2 (Apr-Jun 2001): 127-131.

Madeleine K. Albright, "Think Again: United Nations," Foreign Policy, vol.138, (September/October 2003):16-24.

Colin L. Powell, "A Strategy of Partnerships," Foreign Affairs, vol. 83, no.1, (January/February 2004): 22.

[Recommended: Weiss, United Nations, Chapter 1.]

Week 3 (6/3): Terrorism and Counterterrorism

Edward C. Luck, "Trouble Behind, Trouble Ahead? The UN Security Council Tackles Terrorism," *from* David M. Malone, The United Nations Security Council, (Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2004).

Louise I. Shelley, John T. Picarelli, "Methods not Motives: Implications of the Convergence of International Organized Crime and Terrorism," Police Practice and Research, vol. 3, no. 4 (2002):305-18.

Robert I. Rotberg, "Failed States in a World of Terror," Foreign Affairs 81:4(July/Aug. 2002): 127-140.

Cortright, David and Lopez, George. Sanctions and the Search for Security. Boulder: Rienner, 2002. Chapter 7: "Carrots and Sticks for Controlling Terrorism," pp. 115-132.

Kenneth Roth, "The Law of War in the War on Terror," Foreign Affairs, vol. 83, no.1, (January/February 2004): 2.

[Recommended: Weiss, United Nations, Chapter 4.]

[Recommended: Global Agenda, Chapter 2.]

Week 4 (6/10): Weapons of Mass Destruction and Preemptive Strategies

Michael J. Glennon, "Why the Security Council Failed," Foreign Affairs, vol. 82, no. 3 (May/June 2003):16-35.

Edward C. Luck, Anne-Marie Slaughter, Ian Hurd, "Stayin' Alive: The Rumors of the UN's Death Have Been Exaggerated," Foreign Affairs, vol. 82, no. 4 (July/August 2003): 201-05.

Lee Feinstein, Anne-Marie Slaughter, "A Duty to Prevent," Foreign Affairs, vol. 83, no. 1, (January/February 2004):136.

Roland Bleiker, "A Rogue is a Rogue is a Rogue: US Foreign Policy and the Korean Nuclear Crisis," International Affairs, vol. 79, no. 4, (2003), pp. 719-37.

Christopher F. Chyba, "Toward Biological Security," Foreign Affairs 81:3 (May/June 2002):122-136.

[Recommended: Global Agenda, Chapter 1.]

Week 5 (6/17): Peacekeeping and Peace Enforcement

John Sanderson, "The Changing Face of Peace Operations," Journal of International Affairs 55:2 (Spring 2002): 277-288.

Patrick McCarthy, "Building a Reliable Rapid-Reaction Capacity for the UN," **International Peacekeeping**, 7:2 (Summer 2000), pp. 139-154.

Naomi Weinberger, "Civil-Military Coordination in Peacebuilding: The Challenge in Afghanistan," Journal of International Affairs 55:2 (Spring 2002): 245-274.

David Shearer, "Aiding or Abetting? Humanitarian Aid and Its Economic Role in Civil War," in Greed and Grievance: Economic Agendas in Civil Wars, ed. Berdal, Mats and Malone, David M., pp. 189-203.

Graham Day and Christopher Freeman, "Policekeeping is the Key: Rebuilding the Internal Security Architecture of Postwar Iraq," International Affairs, vol. 79, no. 2, (2003), pp. 299-313.

[Recommended: Weiss, United Nations, Chapter 2.]

[Recommended: Global Agenda, Chapter 3.]

Week 6 (6/24): Humanitarian Action

Mohammed Ayoob, "Humanitarian Intervention and International Society," Global Governance, vol. 7, no. 3, (July-September 2001): 225-31.

David Rieff, "Humanitarianism in Crisis," Foreign Affairs, vol. 81, no. 6, (November/December 2002): 111-121.

Samantha Power, "Bystanders to Genocide: Why the United States Let the Rwandan Tragedy Happen", The Atlantic Monthly (September 2001): 84-108.

Jeffrey Herbst, "International Laws of War and the African Child: Norms, Compliance and Sovereignty," *from* Edward C. Luck and Michael W. Doyle eds., International Law and Organization: Closing the Compliance Gap, (Boulder, CO: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2004, forthcoming), pp. 187-205.

Peter Marsden, "Afghanistan: The Reconstruction Process," International Affairs, vol. 79, no. 1, (2003): 91-105.

[Recommended: Weiss, United Nations, Chapters 3, 5.]

[Recommended: Global Agenda, Chapter 4.]

Week 7 (7/1): Transitional Justice and Democracy Promotion

Simon Chesterman, "Justice Under International Administration: Kosovo, East Timor and Afghanistan," International Peace Academy Report, September 2002 (15 pages).

Lee, Roy S., ed. The International Criminal Court (The Hague: Kluwer Law International, 1999) Introduction.

John R. Bolton, "The Risks and Weaknesses of the International Criminal Court from America's Perspective," Virginia Journal of International Law 41:186: 188-203.

Kofi A. Annan, "Democracy as an International Issue," Global Governance, 8:2 (April-June 2002):135-142.

Thomas Carothers, "Promoting Democracy and Fighting Terror" Foreign Affairs 82:1 (January/February 2003): 84-97.

[Recommended: Weiss, United Nations, Chapters 6-7.]

[Recommended: Global Agenda, Chapter 7.]

Week 8 (7/8): Capacity Building

Jessica Einhorn, "The World Bank's Mission Creep," **Foreign Affairs**, vol. 80, no. 5, (September/October 2001) pp. 22-35.

Fletcher Tembo, "The Multi-Image Development NGO: An Agent of the New Imperialism?" **Development in Practice**, 13:5 (November 2003): 527-33.

Jagdish Bhagwati, "Borders Beyond Control" **Foreign Affairs** 82:1 (January/February 2003): 98-104.

Hongying Wang, "Transparency International and Corruption as an Issue of Global Governance," **Global Governance** Vol. 7, Issue 1 (Jan-Mar 2001); 25-49.

Robert Hunter Wade, "Bridging the Digital Divide: New Route to Development or New Form of Dependency?" **Global Governance** 8:4 (Oct.-Dec. 2002): 443-466.

[Recommended: Weiss, United Nations, Chapter 10.]

[Recommended: Global Agenda, Chapter 6.]

Week 9 (7/15): Sustainable Development

Roland Paris, "Human Security," **International Security**, 26:2 (Fall 2001): 87-102.

Hans-Otto Sano, "Development and Human Rights: The Necessary but Partial Integration of Human Rights and Development," **Human Rights Quarterly**, 22:3 (2000): 734-52.

John Gerard Ruggie, "global_governance.net: The Global Compact as Learning Network," **Global Governance** 7:4 (Oct.-Dec. 2001): 371-378.

Thomas Schelling, "What Makes Greenhouse Sense?" **Foreign Affairs** 81:3 (May/June 2002): 2-9.

Jorgen Wettstad, "Designing Effective Environmental Regimes: The Conditional Keys," **Global Governance** 7:4 (Oct.-Dec. 2001):317-341.

[Recommended: Weiss, United Nations, Chapters 8-9.]

[Recommended: Global Agenda, Chapter 5.]

Week 10 (7/22): Final Examination