INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

Political Science V1601 Prof. Page Fortna
Columbia University 1332 International Affairs Building
Fall 2000 854-0021
MW 4:10-5:25 vpf4@columbia.edu

TAs: office hours: Tues. 1:30-3:30

Sue Nahm sjn13 Barbora Somogyiova bs341

This course provides an introduction to the study of international politics. We will cover the central concepts and theories used to understand topics in international relations, including the causes of war and peace, economic relations among states, intervention in civil conflicts, human rights, and the environment. We will address historical cases as well as changes taking place in the international system in the decade since the end of the Cold War.

Requirements:

Attendance at lectures on Mondays and Wednesdays, and active participation in weekly section meetings. Students are required to keep up with the weekly readings and are expected to keep abreast of current events in international relations.

There will be four short written assignments due in section in weeks 3, 6, 11, and 14. These assignments are intended as study aides and to give you feedback on how well you are understanding the course material. They will be graded and will be factored into your section participation grade.

There will be an in class mid-term exam on October 23 and a take-home final due Monday December 18.

Assignments and the final must be turned in on time, exceptions will be granted only for medical or family emergencies. Otherwise, late submissions will be penalized one grade per day.

Grading:

Participation in sections, including written assignments: 40% In class mid-term exam: 30% Take home final exam: 30%

The following books are for sale at Labyrinth Bookstore (536 W 112th Street, between Broadway and Amsterdam):

- Art, Robert and Robert Jervis. *International Politics: Enduring Concepts and Contemporary Issues*. 5th Edition. New York: Longman, 2000. [this edition only]
- Brown, Michael, Sean Lynn-Jones and Steven Miller, eds. *Debating the Democratic Peace* Cambridge MA: MIT Press, 1997.
- Bull, Hedley. *The Anarchical Society: A Study of Order in World Politics*. New York: Columbia University Press, 1977. [purchase optional]
- Frieden, Jeffry and David A. Lake, eds. *International Political Economy: Perspectives on Global Power and Wealth.* 4th Edition. Boston: Bedford/St. Martin's Press, 2000. [this edition only]
- Kennedy, Robert. *Thirteen Days*. Any edition, originally published 1969.
- Lebow, Richard Ned and Thomas Risse-Kappen. *International Relations and the End of the Cold War*. New York: Columbia University Press,1995.
- Lyons, Gene and Michael Mastanduno. *Beyond Westphalia? State Sovereignty and International Intervention*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 1995.
- Rotberg, Robert and Theodore Rabb. *The Origins and Prevention of Major Wars*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1989.

A reading packet of required articles is available for copying at the Institute of War and Peace Studies, IAB, 13th floor (open M-F 9-5). Bring an ID to check out readings.

All readings (books and articles) are also available on reserve at Butler Library.

LECTURE AND READING SCHEDULE

Week 1. Introduction September 6.

I. Anarchy (and What States Make of It)

Week 2. Anarchy: problems and prospects for cooperation. September 11 and 13.

Walt, Stephen. "International Relations: One World, Many Theories." *Foreign Policy*. (Spring 1998). pp.29-44.

In Art & Jervis: pp.2-6 and:

Waltz, Kenneth. "The Anarchic Structure of World Politics" pp.49-69.

Grieco, Joseph. "Anarchy and the Limits of Cooperation" pp.70-74.

Oye, Kenneth. "The Conditions for Cooperation in World Politics" pp.83-96.

Doyle, Michael. "Kant, Liberal Legacies, and Foreign Affairs" pp.97-109.

Walt, Stephen. "Alliances: Balancing and Bandwagoning" pp.110-117.

Keohane, Robert. "A Functional Theory of Regimes" pp.134-140.

Week 3. International society, law, and constructions of anarchy September 18 and 20.

Bull, Hedley. *The Anarchical Society: A Study of Order in World Politics* (Columbia University Press 1977) Chapters 2, 3 and part of Chapter 6 [through p.151 in the 1977 edition, or through p.145 in the 1995 edition].

In Art & Jervis:

Wendt, Alexander. "Anarchy is What States Make of It" pp.75-82. [the full article is on reserve]

Hoffmann, Stanley. "The Uses and Limits of International Law" pp.129-133.

Roberts, Adam "The United Nations and International Security" pp.141-149.

Ratner, Steven "International Law: The Trials of Global Norms" pp.554-559.

In Lyons & Mastanduno:

Jackson, Robert. "International Community Beyond the Cold War" pp.59-83.

****First Written Assignment Due in Section This Week****

II. Issues of War and Peace

Week 4. Uses of Force and Theories of War

September 25.

In Art & Jervis:

Art, Robert. "The Four Functions of Force" pp.156-168. Jervis, Robert. "Offense, Defense, and the Security Dilemma" pp.184-204.

In Rotberg & Rabb:

Quester, George. "Crises and the Unexpected" pp.127-148.

Fearon, James. "Rationalist Explanations for War" *International Organization* vol. 95 no.3 (summer 1995). pp.379-414.

September 27.

In Rotberg & Rabb:

Gilpin, Robert. "The Theory of Hegemonic War" pp.15-38. Levy, Jack. "Domestic Politics and War" pp.79-100.

Jervis, Robert. "War and Misperception" pp.101-126.

In Art & Jervis:

Keohane and Nye. "Complex Interdependence and the Role of Force" pp.229-244 Art, Robert. "The Fungibility of Force" pp. 245-261. Thomas, Caroline. "Third World Security" pp.252-262.

Week 5. The World Wars

October 2. World War I

In Rotberg & Rabb:

Williamson, Samuel. "The Origins of World War I" pp.225-248.

Maier, Charles. "Wargames: 1914-1919" pp.249-280.

October 4. World War II

In Rotberg & Rabb:

Hughes, Jeffrey. "The Origins of World War II in Europe: British Deterrence Failure and German Expansionism" pp.281-322.

Sagan, Scott. "The Origins of the Pacific War" pp.323-352.

Week 6. The Cold War and its End

October 9. The Cold War

Mr X. (George Kennan). "The Sources of Soviet Conduct" *Foreign Affairs* (July 1947). pp.566-582.

Kennedy, Robert. *Thirteen Days.* (c.128pp.) – skim.

Gaddis, John Lewis. "The Long Peace: Elements of Stability in the Postwar International System" in Lynn-Jones, ed. *The Cold War and After*, pp.1-44. Originally in *International Security* vol. 10 no. 4 (spring 1986).

October 11. The End of the Cold War

In Lebow & Risse-Kappen:

skim Lebow's "Introduction." pp.1-23 for an overview of the issue and the contending ideas in the rest of the book. Then read:

Lebow, Richard Ned. "The Long Peace, the End of the Cold War and the Failure of Realism" pp.23-56.

Oye, Kenneth. "Explaining the End of the Cold War" pp.57-84.

Doyle, Michael. "Liberalism and the End of the Cold War" pp.85-108.

Koslowski, Rey and Friedrich Kratochwil. "Understanding Change in International Politics" pp.127-166.

****Second Written Assignment Due in Section This Week****

Week 7. The Democratic Peace October 16-18.

review Doyle "Kant, Liberal, Legacies and Foreign Affairs" in Art & Jervis [the full article is also printed in Brown, Lynn-Jones, & Miller, *Debating the Democratic Peace*, pp.3-57].

In Brown, Lynn-Jones, & Miller, Debating the Democratic Peace:

Owen, John. "How Liberalism Produces Democratic Peace" pp.116-154. Layne, Christopher. "Kant or Cant: The Myth of the Democratic Peace" pp.157-201. Mansfield, Ed and Jack Snyder. "Democratization and the Danger of War" pp.301-334

Week 8.

October 23. Mid-Term Exam

III. Issues of International Political Economy

October 25. Perspectives on IPE

In Frieden & Lake:

"Introduction: International Politics and International Economics" pp.1-16.

In Art & Jervis:

Gilpin, Robert. "The Nature of Political Economy" pp.269-285. Keohane, Robert. "Hegemony in the World Political Economy" pp.286-298 Krasner, Stephen. "Power vs. Wealth in North-South Economic Relations" pp.299-318.

Week 9. Trade October 30 - November 1.

In Frieden & Lake:

Coughlin, Chrystal & Wood "Protectionist Trade Policies: A Survey of Theory, Evidence, and Rationale" pp. 303-317.

Rogowski, Ronald "Commerce and Coalitions: How Trade Affects Domestic Political Alignments" pp. 318-326.

Freeman, Richard "Are Your Wages Set in Beijing?" pp.343-353.

Yoffie, David and Benjamin Gomes-Casseres. "North American Free Trade Agreement: Free for Whom" In *International Trade and Competition* 2nd ed. (McGraw-Hill, 1994) pp.384-413.

In Art & Jervis:

Rosecrance, Richard. "The Trading State – Then and Now" pp.340-351.

Week 10. Money and Finance

No Class November 6 – don't forget to vote on Tuesday.

November 8.

In Art & Jervis:

Wade, Robert "National Power, Coercive Liberalism and 'Global' Finance" pp. 482-499. Garten, Jeffrey "Lessons for the Next Financial Crisis" pp. 490-501. Rodrik, Dani "The Global Fix" pp.502-507.

In Frieden & Lake:

Eichengreen, Barry "Hegemonic Stability Theory of the International Monetary System" pp. 220-244.

Week. 11. Rich and Poor in a Global Economy

November 13. North-South Issues

Galtung, Johan. "A Structural Theory of Imperialism" *Journal of Peace Research* (vol. 8 no. 2. 1971). pp.81-94.

In Frieden & Lake:

Stiglitz and Squire "International Development: Is It Still Possible?" pp. 383-391. Broad, Cavanagh, and Bello "Development: The Market is Not Enough" pp.392-404. Williamson, Jeffrey "Globalization and Inequality, Past and Present" pp.405-416.

November 15. Globalization

In Art & Jervis:

Drucker, Peter "The Changed World Economy" pp. 323-335. Wade, Robert "Globalization and its Limits" pp.363-381.

In Frieden & Lake:

Rodrik, Dani "Sense and Nonsense in the Globalization Debate" pp. 491-470.

****Third Written Assignment Due in Section This Week****

IV. Challenges to Sovereignty?

Week 12. November 20. The State is Dead, Long Live the State

Cusimano, Maryann "Beyond Sovereignty: The Rise of Transsovereign Problems" in *Beyond Sovereignty* (Bedford/St. Martin's Press, 2000). pp.1-40.

In Lyons & Mastanduno:

Lyons, Gene and Michael Mastanduno. "Introduction" pp.1-18. Rosenau, James. "Sovereignty in a Turbulent World" pp.191-227. Krasner, Stephen. "Sovereignty and Intervention" pp.228-249.

In Art & Jervis:

Gilpin, Robert. "No One Loves a Political Realist" pp.348-362.

No Class November 22. Happy Thanksgiving

Week 13. Internal Conflict and Human Rights November 27. Civil Wars

Brown, Michael "Causes and Implications of Ethnic Conflict" in *Ethnic Conflict and International Security* (Princeton University Press, 1993). pp.3-26.

Snyder & Jervis "Civil War and the Security Dilemma" in Walter, Barbara and Jack Snyder, eds. *Civil Wars, Insecurity, and Intervention*" (Columbia University Press, 1999). pp.15-37.

Walter, Barbara. "The Critical Barrier to Civil War Settlement" *International Organization* vol. 51 no. 3 (Summer 1997) pp.335-364.

November 29. Human Rights

In Lyons & Mastanduno:

Donnely, Jack. "State Sovereignty and International Intervention: The Case of Human Rights" pp.115-146.

Finnemore. Martha. "Constructing Norms of Humanitarian Intervention" in Katzenstein, Peter, ed. *The Culture of National Security* (Columbia Univ. Press, 1996). pp.153-185.

In Art & Jervis:

Howard and Donnelly "Human Rights in World Politics" pp. 30-48. Keck & Sikkink "Transnational Activist Networks" pp.547-553.

Week 14. December 4-6. The Environment

In Art & Jervis:

Hardin, Garrett "The Tragedy of the Commons" pp.508-513 Simon, Julian. "The Infinite Supply of Natural Resources" pp.514-521. Homer-Dixon, Thomas. "Cornucopians and Neo-Malthusians" pp.522-524. Cooper, Richard "Toward a Real Global Warming Treaty" pp.525-533.

In Lyons & Mastanduno:

Conca, Ken. "Environmental Protection, International Norms and State Sovereignty: The Case of the Brazilian Amazon" pp.147-169.

DeSombre, Elizabeth. "Tuna Fishing and Common Pool Resources" in Barkin, Samuel and George Shambaugh, eds. *Anarchy and the Environment: The International Relations of Common Pool Resources* (SUNY Press, 1999) pp.51-69.

****Fourth Written Assignment Due in Section This Week****

Week 15. December 11. Conclusion

In Lyons & Mastanduno:

Lyons and Mastanduno. "State Sovereignty and International Intervention" pp.250-266.

Hoffmann, Stanley. "From this Century to the Next" in *World Disorders: Troubled Peace in the Post-Cold War Era* (Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 1998). pp.1-10.

Final exam handed out in class.

Final Exam Due On or Before Monday, December 18th.