

POL 240: Introduction to International Politics

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MWF 1:10-2:00 (F01) 2:10-3:00 (F02) Eliot 216 https://moodle.reed.edu/course/view.php?id=6	MWF 3:00-4:00 or by appointment Eliot 204B http://www.reed.edu/~ahm

Course Description and Goals

Full course for one semester. This course introduces the study of international relations. It examines central questions in world politics from a variety of different perspectives—including realism, liberalism, and feminism—and provides a working knowledge of world affairs.

Students will learn to perform basic research and analysis through writing and thinking about events in world politics from multiple different perspectives. Readings are drawn from historic and contemporary scholars of international relations, cover a wide variety of issues, and are grouped together in conflicting pairs where possible. Assignments are a mixture of analysis, research, and experiential learning.

Requirements

Class Participation

Students will have the opportunity participate in the class both during and outside of classroom hours. Each student will be assigned to three days during the semester in which they will co-author a short memo (300-400 words) comparing and contrasting that day's readings and posing questions for discussion. These memos should be posted in the forums on the course website by 8 PM the day before the readings are to be discussed. Students are encouraged to respond to the memos as part of their participation.

Readings

Readings for the course are drawn from two books (one of which is a collection of condensed articles) and E-Readings, which can either be downloaded off the course website or through library E-Reserves. Most of the E-Readings can even be downloaded directly from the links on the syllabus. Two books are for sale at the bookstore and are also on reserve at the library:

- Robert J. Art and Robert Jervis (2005) *International Politics: Enduring Concepts and Contemporary Issues*. 7th edition. New York: Pearson/Longman, ISBN 0321209478
- Scott D. Sagan and Kenneth N. Waltz (2003) *The Spread of Nuclear Weapons: A Debate Renewed*. 2nd edition. New York, NY: W.W. Norton, ISBN 0393977471

Students are also expected to keep up with world events through daily reading of international news. Recommended news sites will be posted on the course web site and on the online library research guide, available at <<http://library.reed.edu/instruction/politicalscience/pol240.html>>.

Course Website

Frequent reading of the course website <<https://moodle.reed.edu/course/view.php?id=6>> will be helpful for success in the class. Discussion and collaboration with your peers in both sections of the class is available to you through the website; supplemental and core readings will be made available there; and assignments will be turned in electronically using the site.

Simulations

Two of the four assignments will center around simulations. The first will take place during class hours on September 15th on the front lawn of Eliot. The second will take place from October 26th-28th and will take about a total of nineteen hours. Participating in these simulations is required for completing the first and third assignments and therefore the course. If you cannot participate in these simulations, you must come talk to me immediately.

Assignments

There are four formal assignments for this course.

- The first assignment (due the beginning of week 4) will be a short (600-800 word) essay analyzing the simulation at the end of week 3.
- The second assignment (due the beginning of week 7) will be a 1000-1200 word essay; students will analyze a contemporary conflict from a list of options using the theories we've covered in class up to that point.
- The third assignment (due at the end of week 10) will be another essay; students will analyze the arms control negotiation that they participated in at the end of week 9. This will be an account (from a personal or national point of view) of the negotiations and an analysis of why the negotiations ended the way they did. This assignment, 1400-1600 words, should be based on the negotiation record, which will be compiled from email correspondences.
- The fourth assignment (due at what would be the beginning of what would be week 16) will be a 1800-2000 word essay; students will pick a topic from a list of options.

Citation and Plagiarism

A major goal of this course is to encourage good reading, research, and citation habits. Good research requires good documentation of sources and the ability to put one's own analysis and thoughts into a paper rather than relying on others. Plagiarism and cheating are violations of academic integrity and thus violations of Reed's Honor Principle. As specified by Reed's academic conduct policy, such violations will result in disciplinary actions, including suspension or permanent dismissal from the College. For the purposes of this class, plagiarism is submitting a piece of work which in part or in whole is not entirely the student's own work without attributing those same portions to their correct source. For more information see: <http://web.reed.edu/academic/gbook/comm_pol/acad_honesty.html>.

Accommodations

If you'd like to request academic accommodations due to a disability, please contact Assistant Dean of Student Services, Adrienne Wolf-Lockett, Eliot 109, (503)777-7534. If you have a letter from Student Services, please let me know so we can discuss those accommodations.

1 Power and Morality

08/28/06:Introduction

08/30/06:Power and Morality, 31 pages

- Hans J. Morgenthau (2005b) Six Principles of Political Realism. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 7–14
- J. Ann Tickner (2005) A Critique of Morgenthau's Principles of Political Realism. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 15–28
- Thucydides; Rex Warner and M. I. Finley, editors (1972) Chap. V: 84-116 in History of the Peloponnesian War. Harmondsworth, Eng.: Penguin Books, 400–408, ISBN 0140440399

09/01/06:Dena Hutto

2 Anarchy

09/04/06:Labor Day - No Class

09/06/06:Anarchy, 55 pages

- Immanuel Kant; M. Campbell Smith, editor (1917 [1795]) Perpetual peace: a philosophical essay. London: G. Allen and Unwin Ltd.
<<http://oll.libertyfund.org/Home3/Book.php?recordID=0075>>, 106–142
- Thomas Hobbes (1909 [1651]) Leviathan. Oxford: Clarendon Press
<<http://oll.libertyfund.org/Home3/Book.php?recordID=0161>>, 94–98
- John Locke (1824 [1689]) Two Treatises of Government. London: Rivington
<<http://oll.libertyfund.org/Home3/Book.php?recordID=0364>>, 338–350
- EXTRA:Jean-Jacques Rousseau; G. D. H. Cole, editor (1913 [1755]) *A Discourse on the Origin of Inequality*. London: J.M. Dent and Sons
<<http://oll.libertyfund.org/Home3/Book.php?recordID=0350>>

09/08/06:Realism and Levels of Analysis, 41 pages

- Robert Jervis (2005b) Offense, Defense, and the Security Dilemma. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 178–198
- John J. Mearsheimer (2005) Anarchy and the Struggle for Power. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 50–60
- J. David Singer (1960) International Conflict: Three Levels of Analysis. *World Politics: A Quarterly Journal of International Relations*. 12(3), 453–461 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?>

sici=0043-8871%28196004%2912%3A3%3C453%3AICTLOA%3E2.0.CO%3B2-J>, ISSN 00438871

- EXTRA:Kenneth N. Waltz (2005a) The Anarchic Structure of World Politics. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 29–49

3 Mitigating Anarchy

09/11/06:Alliances and Dominoes, 25 pages

- Stephen M. Walt (2005) Alliances: Balancing and Bandwagoning. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 96–103
- Jack Snyder (1991) Introduction. In Robert Jervis and Jack Snyder, editors *Dominoes and bandwagons : strategic beliefs and great power competition in the Eurasian rimland*. New York: Oxford University Press, ISBN 0195062469. chapter 1, 3–19

09/13/06:Cooperation, 37 pages

- Kenneth A. Oye (2005) The Conditions for Cooperation in World Politics. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 69–82
- David A. Baldwin (1993) Neoliberalism, Neorealism, and World Politics. In David A. Baldwin, editor *Neorealism and neoliberalism : the contemporary debate*. New York: Columbia University Press, ISBN 0231084404, 3–25

09/15/06:Anarchy in Practice: Croquet, 8 pages

- *Rules of Backyard Croquet*. United States Croquet Association
<<http://croquetamerica.com/usca-backyardrls.asp>>

4 Critiques of Realism

09/18/06:Discussion; Assignment 1 due at the beginning of class

09/20/06:Institutions, 57 pages

- John J. Mearsheimer (1994) The False Promise of International Institutions. *International Security*. 19(3), 5–49 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0162-2889%28199424%2F199524%2919%3A3%3C5%3ATFPOII%3E2.0.CO%3B2-C>>
- Robert O. Keohane and Lisa L. Martin (1995) The Promise of Institutional Theory. *International Security*. 20(1), 39–51 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0162-2889%28199522%2920%3A1%3C39%3ATPOIT%3E2.0.CO%3B2-N>>, ISSN 01622889

- EXTRA:Alexander Wendt (1995) Constructing International Politics. *International Security*. 20(1), 71–81 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0162-2889%28199522%2920%3A1%3C71%3ACIP%3E2.0.CO%3B2-I>>

09/22/06:Feminism, 26 pages

- Francis Fukuyama (1998) Women and the Evolution of World Politics. *Foreign Affairs*. 77(5), 24–40 <<http://search.epnet.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&an=1065792>>, ISSN 00157120
- J. Ann Tickner (1999) Why Women Can't Run the World: International Politics according to Francis Fukuyama. *International Studies Review*. 1(3), 3–11 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=1521-9488%28199923%291%3A3%3C3%3AWWCRTW%3E2.0.CO%3B2-Y>>
- Reread Tickner *International Politics*, 15–28
- EXTRA:Robert O. Keohane (1989) International relations theory: contributions of a feminist standpoint. *Millenium*. 18(2), 245–253 and Cynthia Weber (1994) Good girls, little girls and bad girls: male paranoia in Robert Keohane's critique of feminist international relations. *Millenium*. 23(2), 337–349

5 Domestic Theories of IP

09/25/06:Constructivism, 41 pages

- Ted Hopf (1998) The Promise of Constructivism in International Relations Theory. *International Security*. 23(1), 171–200 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0162-2889%28199822%2923%3A1%3C171%3ATPOCII%3E2.0.CO%3B2-%23>>
- Wendt *International Security*, 71–81
- EXTRA:Alexander Wendt (2005) Anarchy Is What States Make of It. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 61–68

09/27/06:Democratic Peace, 58 pages

- Michael W. Doyle (2005) Kant, Liberal Legacies, and Foreign Affairs. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 83–95
- Christopher Layne (1994) Kant or Cant: The Myth of the Democratic Peace. *International Security*. 19(2), 5–49 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0162-2889%28199423%2919%3A2%3C5%3AKOCTMO%3E2.0.CO%3B2-A>>, ISSN 01622889

09/29/06:Organizations, 30 pages

- Graham Allison (1969) Conceptual Models and the Cuban Missile Crisis. *American Political Science Review*. 63(3), 689–718 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0003-0554%28196909%2963%3A3%3C689%3ACMATCM%3E2.0.CO%3B2-%23>>

6 World Wars

10/02/06:World War I, 75 pages

- Stephen Van Evera (1984) The Cult of the Offensive and the Origins of the First World War. *International Security*. 9(1), 58–107 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0162-2889%28198422%299%3A1%3C58%3ATCOTOA%3E2.0.CO%3B2-V>>
- Scott D. Sagan (1986) 1914 Revisited: Allies, Offense, and Instability. *International Security*. 11(2), 151–175 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0162-2889%28198623%2911%3A2%3C151%3A1RAOAI%3E2.0.CO%3B2-L>>
- EXTRA:Jack Snyder (1984) Civil-Military Relations and the Cult of the Offensive, 1914 and 1984. *International Security*. 9(1), 108–146 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0162-2889%28198422%299%3A1%3C108%3ACRATCO%3E2.0.CO%3B2-F>>

10/04/06:World War II, 61 pages

- Scott D. Sagan (1988) The Origins of the Pacific War. *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*. 18(4), 893–922 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0022-1953%28198821%2918%3A4%3C893%3ATOOTPW%3E2.0.CO%3B2-L>>, ISSN 00221953
- Robert J. Beck (1989) Munich's Lessons Reconsidered. *International Security*. 14(2), 161–191 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0162-2889%28198923%2914%3A2%3C161%3AAML%3E2.0.CO%3B2-N>>, ISSN 01622889

10/06/06:The Bomb and the Cold War, 35 pages

- Barton J. Bernstein (1995) The Atomic Bombings Reconsidered. *Foreign Affairs*. 74(1), 135–152 <<http://search.epnet.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&an=9501254895>>, ISSN 00157120
- George F. Kennan (1947) The Sources of Soviet Conduct. *Foreign Affairs*. 25(4), 566–582 <<http://search.epnet.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&an=14885486>>, ISSN 00157120

7 Cold War

10/09/06:Discussion; Assignment 2 due at the beginning of class

10/11/06:Atomic Strategy, 66 pages

- Thomas C. Schelling (1966) Chap. 1 in *Arms and influence*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press, 1–34, ISBN 0300002211
- Carol Cohn (1987) Sex and Death in the Rational World of Defense Intellectuals. *Signs*. 12(4), 687–718 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0097-9740%28198722%2912%3A4%3C687%3ASADITR%3E2.0.CO%3B2-E>>

10/13/06:End of the Cold War, 68 pages

- William C. Wohlforth (1994-1995) Realism and the End of the Cold War. *International Security*. 19(3), 91–129 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0162-2889%28199424%2F199524%2919%3A3%3C91%3ARATEOT%3E2.0.CO%3B2-Q>>, ISSN 01622889
- Richard Ned Lebow (1994) The Long Peace, the End of the Cold War, and the Failure of Realism. *International Organization*. 48(2), 249–277 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0020-8183%28199421%2948%3A2%3C249%3ATLPTEO%3E2.0.CO%3B2-U>>, ISSN 00208183

8 Fall Break - No Class

9 Nuclear Weapons

10/23/06:Spread of Nuclear Weapons, 182 pages

- Sagan and Waltz

10/25/06:Diplomacy and Nonproliferation, 24 pages

- Hans J. Morgenthau (2005a) The Future of Diplomacy. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 104–113
- *Treaty On The Non-Proliferation Of Nuclear Weapons*.
<<http://www.state.gov/www/global/arms/treaties/npt1.html>>
- Tanya Glaser (1983) *Getting to Yes: Negotiating Agreement Without Giving In*. Conflict Research Consortium Book Summary
<<http://www.colorado.edu/conflict/peace/example/fish7513.htm>>

10/26/06:Simulation Day 1: Country meetings, 5 PM–8 PM

10/27/06:Simulation Day 2: Simulation, 1 PM–9 PM

10/28/06:Simulation Day 3: Simulation, 9 AM–6 PM

10 Post-Proliferation

10/30/06:Discussion of Simulation

11/01/06:Proliferation Networks, 51 pages

- Alexander H. Montgomery (2005) Ringing in Proliferation: How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb Network. *International Security*. 30(2), 153–187
<http://muse.jhu.edu/journals/international_security/toc/ins30.2.html>
- Alexander H. Montgomery (2006) Proliferation Networks in Theory and Practice. *Strategic Insights*. 5(6) <<http://www.ccc.nps.navy.mil/si/2006/Jul/montgomeryJul06.asp>>

11/03/06:No Class; Assignment 3 Due by 9 PM

11 Networked Politics

11/06/06:Human Rights, 52 pages

- Margaret E. Keck and Kathryn Sikkink (2005) Transnational Activists Networks. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 551–557
- Richard Price (1998) Reversing the Gun Sights: Transnational Civil Society Targets Land Mines. *International Organization*. 52(3), 613–644 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0020-8183%28199822%2952%3A3%3C613%3ARTGSTC%3E2.0.CO%3B2-2>>
- Rhoda E. Howard and Jack Donnelly (2005) Human Rights in World Politics. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 558–570

11/08/06:Terrorism, 27 pages

- Robert A. Pape (2005) The Logic of Suicide Terrorism. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 232–250
- Jessica Stern (2005) Al Qaeda: The Protean Enemy. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 431–438
- EXTRA:Valdis E. Krebs (2002) Mapping Networks of Terrorist Cells. *Connections*. 24(3), 43–52

11/10/06:Crime, 37 pages

- Phil Williams (2002) Transnational Criminal Networks. In John Arquilla and David F. Ronfeldt, editors *Networks and Netwars*. Santa Monica, CA: RAND Corporation, ISBN 0833030302. chapter 3, 61–97

12 IPE

11/13/06:Intro to IPE, 35 pages

- Robert Gilpin (2005) The Nature of Political Economy. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 281–297
- Bruce R. Scott (2005) The Great Divide in the Global Village. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 311–324
- Paul R. Krugman (1993) What Do Undergrads Need to Know About Trade? *The American Economic Review*. 83(2), 23–26 <<http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0002-8282%28199305%2983%3A2%3C23%3AWDUNTK%3E2.0.CO%3B2-T>>, ISSN 00028282

11/15/06:International Law, 38 pages

- Stanley Hoffmann (2005) The Uses and Limits of International Law. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 114–118
- Stephen R. Ratner (2005) International Law: The Trials of Global Norms. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 589–594
- Martha Finnemore (1999) Rules of War and Wars of Rules: The International Red Cross and the Restraint of State Violence. In John Boli and George M. Thomas, editors *Constructing world culture : international nongovernmental organizations since 1875*. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press, ISBN 0804734216. chapter 6, 149–165

11/17/06:The Cost of Iraq, 40 pages

- John Mueller and Karl Mueller (1999) Sanctions of Mass Destruction. *Foreign Affairs*. 78(3), 43–53 <<http://search.epnet.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&an=1785765>>, ISSN 00157120
- Steven J. Davis, Kevin M. Murphy, and Robert H. Topel (2003) *War in Iraq versus Containment: Weighing the Costs*. <[http://faculty.chicagogsb.edu/steven.davis/research/War_in_Iraq_versus_Containment_Weighing_the_Costs_\(March2003\).pdf](http://faculty.chicagogsb.edu/steven.davis/research/War_in_Iraq_versus_Containment_Weighing_the_Costs_(March2003).pdf)>
- William D. Nordhaus (2002) Iraq: The Economic Consequences of War. *New York Review of Books*. <<http://www.nybooks.com/articles/15850>>

- EXTRA:Linda Bilmes and Joseph E. Stiglitz (2006) The Economic Costs of The Iraq War: An Appraisal Three Years After the Beginning of the Conflict. In *annual conference of the Allied Social Science Association*. Boston, MA
<http://www2.gsb.columbia.edu/faculty/jstiglitz/cost_of_war_in_iraq.pdf>

13 Globalization

11/20/06:What is Globalization, 29 pages

- Jeffrey Frankel (2005) The Globalization of the International Economy. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 325–340
- Kenneth N. Waltz (2005b) Globalization and Governance. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 352–364

11/22/06:Globalization: Good or Bad, 36 pages

- Dani Rodrik (2005) Trading in Illusions. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 365–373
- John Micklethwait and Adrian Wooldridge (2005) Why the Globalization Backlash is Stupid. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 374–380
- Joseph E. Stiglitz (2002) Chap. 1 in Globalization and its discontents. New York: W. W. Norton, 3–22, ISBN 0393051242

11/24/06:Thanksgiving Break - No Class

14 Contemporary Problems

11/27/06:Global Ecological Politics, 26 pages

- Garrett Hardin (2005) The Tragedy of the Commons. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 525–530
- Julian L. Simon (2005) The Infinite Supply of Natural Resources. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 531–538
- Thomas Homer-Dixon (2005) Cornucopians and Neo-Malthusians. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 539–541 and Thomas C. Schelling (2005) What Makes Greenhouse Sense? In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 542–550

11/29/06:Clash of Civilizations, 36 pages

- Samuel P. Huntington (2005) The Clash of Civilizations? In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 415–430

- Tarak Barkawi (2004) On the pedagogy of ‘small wars’. *International Affairs*. 80(1), 19–38 <<http://search.epnet.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&an=12086829>>, ISSN 00205850

12/01/06:American Empire, 34 pages

- Robert Jervis (2005a) Explaining the Bush Doctrine. In Art and Jervis *International Politics*, 439–453
- Condoleezza Rice (2000) Promoting the National Interest. *Foreign Affairs*. 79(1), 45–62 <<http://search.epnet.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&an=2623490>>, ISSN 00157120

15 Morality and Power Redux

12/04/06:Genocide, 39 pages

- Samantha Power (2001) Bystanders to Genocide: Why the United States Let the Rwandan Tragedy Happen. *Atlantic Monthly*. 288(2), 84–108 <<http://search.epnet.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&an=5050892>>, ISSN 10727825
- Richard K. Betts (1994) The Delusion of Impartial Intervention. *Foreign Affairs*. 73(6), 20–33 <<http://search.epnet.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&an=9411180049>>, ISSN 00157120

12/06/06:Just and Unjust War, 13 pages

- Michael Walzer (1977) Chap. 1-2 in Just and unjust wars: a moral argument with historical illustrations. New York, NY: Basic Books, 1–33, ISBN 0465037046

12/11/06:Final Assignment Due by 9 PM