



Contemporary Issues in International Relations

Course Readings

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This is a listing of the readings for this course. With respect to this course, there are two assignments that require use of this listing:

The *module brief* has you summarize one of the additional readings with respect to the topics covered in the module. There are five modules in this course; I will count your four best briefs. Each brief is due on the first day of the module.

Additionally, for two of the five modules, you will need to read both the required and the recommended readings. For the entire module, you (and the others who have chosen that module) will be the *experts on the topics* and the focal points of the class discussions. There is no written aspect of this assignment; I will grade it based on how well you are able to answer questions.

Key



<http://www.jstor.org/>

Many, if not most, of the scholarly journals can be found on JStor. There is, however, a moving wall of up to 4 years for those journals.



<http://www.lib.utk.edu/>

There are *two* places on the library web site that you can locate a reading. If the reading is from a journal, then I would suggest trying to search for that journal title in the “E-Journals” section. If the reading is from a book, or if the library does not subscribe to that particular journal, then search for the reading in “Course Reserves”.



<http://blackboard.utk.edu/>

The readings on the Blackboard site can be located under the “Readings” tab.



<http://scholar.google.com/>

Beside its original search engine, Google has created a search engine designed with the scholar in mind. The manner in which you use the regular Google search engine will work with Google Scholar.




Module 1: International Relations Theories: A Basis and a Common Language

January 22 – January 31




Topics:

Classical Realism; Structural Realism (Neorealism); Neoclassical Realism; Liberal Realism (English School); Liberalism; Classical Liberalism; Neoliberalism; Wilsonianism (Wilsonian Idealism; Wilsonian Internationalism; Internationalism; Soft Wilsonianism); Neoconservatism (Hard Wilsonianism).

Required Reading:

- Abramowitz, Morton. 2002. "Dear Dubya." *Foreign Policy* 130(May): 78 – 79. 
- Sambanis, Nicholas. 2001. "Do Ethnic and Nonethnic Civil Wars Have the Same Causes?: A Theoretical and Empirical Inquiry (Part 1)." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 45(June): 259 – 282. 
- Gerson, Mark. 1996. *The Neoconservative Vision*. Lanham, MA: Madison Books, 1 – 29. 

Suggested Reading:

- Stelzer, Irwin. 2004. "Neoconservatives and Their Critics: An Introduction." In *The Neocon Reader*, ed. Irwin Stelzer. New York: Grove Press, 3 – 28. 
- Farmer, Brian. 2005. *American Conservatives in History, Theory, and Practice*. Newcastle, UK: Cambridge Scholars Press, 1 – 13. 
- Babiarz, Renny. 2006. "Nuclear Strategy and Realism in International Relations." Final Examination for 190.404: Realism in International Relations. May 17. <http://rennypolis.squarespace.com/file-archive-pdf/johns-hopkins-phd-work/international-relations/realism/irnuclearstrategy.pdf> (January 9, 2007). 

Extended Readings

- Sterling-Folker, Jennifer. 2006. *Making Sense of International Relations Theory*. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers.
- Weber, Cynthia. 2001. *International Relations Theory*. New York: Routledge.
- Farmer, Brian. 2005. *American Conservatives in History, Theory, and Practice*. Newcastle, UK: Cambridge Scholars Press.
- Stelzer, Irwin. 2004. *The Neocon Reader*. New York: Grove Press.




Module 2: Persistence of Memory: Cyprus

February 5 – February 9




Topics:

History; Causes; Actors; Internal efforts at solution; External efforts at solution; Effects of external actions; Proposed Solutions; Analyses of proposed solutions.

Required Reading:

- Adams, T.W. 1972. "The American Concern in Cyprus." *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 401(May): 95 – 105. 
- Hitchens, Christopher. 1984. "Uncorking the Genie: The Cyprus Question and Turkey's Military Rule." *MERIP Reports* 122(March): 25 – 27. 
- Bahcheli, Tozun. 2000. "Searching for a Cyprus Settlement: Considering Options for Creating a Federation, a Confederation, or Two Independent States." *Publius* 30(Winter): 203 – 216. 

Suggested Reading:

- Castleberry, H. Paul. 1964. "Conflict Resolution and the Cyprus Problem." *Western Political Quarterly* 17(September): 118 – 130. 
- Polyviou, Polyvios G. 1976. "Cyprus: What is to be Done?" *International Affairs* 52(October): 582 – 597. 
- Fisher, Ronald J. 2001. "Cyprus: The Failure of Mediation and the Escalation of an Identity-Based Conflict to an Adversarial Impasse." *Journal of Peace Research* 38(May): 307 – 326. 

Extended Readings

- Necatigil, Zaim. 1993. *The Cyprus Question and the Turkish Position in International Law*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Borowiec, Andrew. 1983. *The Mediterranean Feud*. New York: Praeger.




Module 3: Speaking with the Enemy: The IRA and the ETA

February 14 – March 2




Topics:

History of the Irish under British rule; History of the IRA; Leaders of the IRA; Other terrorist groups and actors in the conflict; British-Irish-IRA actions; The course to peace; History of the Basques; History of the ETA; Leaders of the ETA; Spanish government actions; Ceasefires; Why did the 2005 ceasefire fail?

Required Reading:

- Stevenson, Jonathan. 1996. "Northern Ireland: Treating Terrorists as Statesmen." *Foreign Policy* 105(Winter): 125 – 140. 
- Perkins, Clarence. 1912. "The Social and Economic Problems of Modern Spain." *Political Science Quarterly* 27(March): 92 – 108. 
- Trumbore, Peter F. 1998. "Public Opinion as a Domestic Constraint in International Negotiations: Two-Level Games in the Anglo-Irish Peace Process." *International Studies Quarterly* 42(September): 545 – 565. 

Suggested Reading:

- Stevenson, Jonathan. 1998. "Peace in Northern Ireland: Why Now?" *Foreign Policy* 112(Autumn): 41 – 54. 
- Tarock, Adam. 2006. "Washington: To Engage or to Change the Regime in Iran?" *New Political Science* 28(March): 81 – 100. 
- Beck, Jan Mansvelt. 2005. *Territory and Terror: Conflicting Nationalisms in the Basque Country*. New York: Routledge, 1 – 18. 

Extended Readings

- Beck, Jan Mansvelt. 2005. *Territory and Terror: Conflicting Nationalisms in the Basque Country*. New York: Routledge.
- Coogan, Tim Pat. 2002. *The IRA*. New York: Palgrave.
- Kurlansky, Mark. 1999. *The Basque History of the World*. New York: Walker Press.
- Arena, Michael P. 2006. *The Terrorist Identity: Explaining the Terrorist Threat*. New York: New York University Press.





Module 4: Globalization: Money for Nothing and Your Checks for Free

March 30 – April 11




Topics:

What is globalization? What causes it to increase? What are its positive effects? What are its negative effects? Who supports it? What do they support? Who opposes it? What do they oppose? What is the future of it?

Required Reading:

- Moncrief, Thomas, Jean Scocos, Anna Johnston, and Ole J. Forsberg. 2006. "Globalization: A Modern-Day Janus." Unpublished Manuscript. 
- Friedman, Thomas L. 2006. *The World is Flat: A Brief History of the Twenty-First Century*, 2nd edn. New York: Ferrar, Straus and Giroux, 3 – 49. 
- De Luca, Tom and John Buell. 2006. "Free Trade: A Paradox for Democracy." *New Political Science* 28(December): 507 – 525. 
- Riggs, Fred W. 2002. "Globalization, Ethnic Diversity, and Nationalism: The Challenge for Democracies." *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 581(May) 35-47. 

Suggested Reading:

- Ness, Immanuel. 2006. "Blinded by the Neoliberal Agenda: India's Market Transition Failure." *New Political Science* 28(March): 135 – 141. 
- Marx, Karl, and Friedrich Engels. 1998 [1848]. *The Communist Manifesto*. New York: Signet Classic, 50 – 65 (Section I). 
- Van Creveld, Martin. 1996. "The Fate of the State." *Parameters* 24(Spring): 4 – 18. 

Extended Readings

- Friedman, Thomas L. 2006. *The World is Flat: A Brief History of the Twenty-First Century*, 2nd edn. New York: Ferrar, Straus and Giroux.
- Marx, Karl, and Friedrich Engels. 1998 [1848]. *The Communist Manifesto*. New York: Signet Classic.
- Stopford, John, and Susan Strange. 1991. *Rival States, Rival Firms: Competition for World Market Share*. New York: Cambridge University Press.




Module 5: Terrorism: One World, One Love

April 23 – April 27





Topics:

Types of terrorism; History of terrorism; Definition of terrorism; Tools of terrorism; Correlates of terrorism; Causes of terrorism; How to stop it; Can we stop it? Should we stop it?

Required Reading:

- Musharraf, Pervez. 2006. *In the Line of Fire: A Memoir*. New York: Free Press, 275 – 281. 
- Crenshaw, Martha. 1981. "The Causes of Terrorism." *Comparative Politics* 13(July): 379 – 399. 
- Weinberg, Leonard. 1991. "Turning to Terror: The Conditions under Which Political Parties Turn to Terrorist Activities." *Comparative Politics* 23(July): 423 – 438. 

Suggested Reading:

- Betts, Richard K. 2002. "The Soft Underbelly of American Primacy: Tactical Advantages of Terror." *Political Science Quarterly* 117(Spring): 19 – 36. 
- Rothkopf, David J. 2002. "Business Versus Terror." *Foreign Policy* 130(May/June): 56 – 64. 
- Pape, Robert A. 2005. *Dying to Win: The Strategic Logic of Suicide Terrorism*. New York: Random House, 8 – 24. 
- Sederberg, Peter C. 1995. "Conciliation as Counter-Terrorist Strategy." *Journal of Peace Research* 32(August): 295 – 312. 

Extended Readings

- Pape, Robert A. 2005. *Dying to Win: The Strategic Logic of Suicide Terrorism*. New York: Random House.
- Combs, Cindy C. 2003. *Terrorism in the Twenty-First Century*, 3 edn. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall.
- Sageman, Marc. 2004. *Understanding Terror Networks*. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press.
- Arena, Michael P. 2006. *The Terrorist Identity: Explaining the Terrorist Threat*. New York: New York University Press.