

**TROY UNIVERSITY**  
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**KADENA**

**IR 5551: SURVEY OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**  
WEEK NIGHT FORMAT

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** An introduction of the discipline of International Relations for graduate students; states, power, national interests, the security dilemma, instruments of foreign policy, challenges to sovereignty, international organizations, and globalization.

**OVERALL OBJECTIVE:** To provide the student with an introduction or a review of basic concepts and theories of international relations and to discuss the characteristics of the existing international system and suggested alternatives to it in the post-Cold War era.

**SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:** Upon completion of this course the student should be able to demonstrate an understanding of

- The different schools of International Relations Theory;
- The concepts of sovereignty, legitimacy, nationalism and the national interest;
- The impact of colonialism on the subject people and on the international system;
- The major economic and political problems and prospects of contemporary developing countries;
- Different causal theories of war and peace and of nuclear deterrence;
- The strengths and weaknesses of the different alternatives to the existing international system;
- Improved analytical and research skills;
- Improved oral and written communications skills.

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS:** Mid-Term Exam: 30%  
Final Exam: 30%  
Research Paper/  
Presentation 30%  
Participation 10%

**METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:** Lectures, Class Discussion, Essay Exams, Research Paper  
Oral and Class Presentations

**GRADE SCALE:** A: 90-100  
B: 80-89  
C: 70-79  
D: 60-69  
F: 0-59

**TEXTS:** John T. Rourke, INTERNATIONAL POLITICS ON THE WORLD  
STAGE, 12<sup>th</sup> edition, 2007, McGraw Hill, paperback;  
ISBN - 13: 9780073403885

J. Baylis, S. Smith, and P. Owens, (eds.), THE GLOBALIZATION OF  
WORLD POLITICS, 4th edition, 2008, Oxford  
University Press, USA, paperback;  
ISBN-10: 0199297770; ISBN-13: 978-0199297771

**ATTENDANCE POLICY:** Students are expected to attend ALL class sessions. Excessive absences may result in a failing grade or the need to drop the course. Students should complete the assigned readings BEFORE the class session.

**MAKE-UP POLICY:** In exceptional cases (e.g., medical/family emergencies, official duty requirements, TDY/TAD, etc.) an Authorized Absence may be permitted upon consultation with the Instructor. In these situations, the student MUST meet as soon as possible with the instructor to complete a comprehensive review of the missed material. Unauthorized absences will require the mandatory review of the missed material, and may also adversely affect final grades.

**MSIR LIBRARY RESOURCES:** Students can access online information resources through Troy University's Library Services home page at the following address:

<https://library.troy.edu>

These resources include a variety of full text databases that provide complete articles from thousands of journals, magazines and newspapers. Access to all databases is permitted through "remote services," the university's remote patron authentication system using a three step procedure: Log into remote services using your social security number or student ID number; Select an information service; Select an individual database.

The university's full text information services are: EBSCOhost, FirstSearch, InfoTrac, and ProQuest. Each of these information services provides access to several databases and each has a unique search interface with which students should be familiar. Tutorials and overviews of these information services are available on the library home page under the "guides" link.

In most cases, the best full text coverage of international relations topics can be found in the following databases: Academic Search Elite (through EBSCOhost); Periodical Abstracts II (through ProQuest or FirstSearch); and Expanded Academic (through InfoTrac). Coverage of international newspapers can be found in Newspaper Source (through EBSCOhost) and the Electric Library.

The full text of Foreign Affairs, World Politics and many other international relations publications can be accessed through the university's databases. The "MSIR journal list" gives full text sources for over 90 publications. It can be accessed under the "guides" link.

If the full text of an article is not available online, it can be requested using the article request form on the library home page under the "request" link. Delivery time is generally two (2) days for articles held by the Troy, Alabama home campus library. Other requests are usually delivered in seven (7) to ten (10) days.

#### **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITY ACT ( ADA )**

Troy University supports Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which insure that post-secondary students with disabilities have equal access to all academic programs, physical access to all buildings, facilities and events, and are not discriminated against on the basis of disability. Eligible students, with appropriate documentation, will be provided equal opportunity to demonstrate their academic skills and potential through the provision of academic adaptations and reasonable accommodations. Further information, including appropriate contact information, can be found at the following link: <http://www.troy.edu/humanresources/ADAPolicy2003.htm>

**ACADEMIC ETHICS:** Details of ethical standards of reporting information can be found in the PUBLICATIONS MANUAL OF THE AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION. Troy University's "Standards of Conduct" published in the GRADUATE CATALOG should also be consulted.

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENT RESEARCH PROJECT**

Each student will complete a graduate level research paper of approximately 12 -15 double spaced pages of text. The paper should include appropriate source citations for direct quotes, empirical data, statistics and paraphrased ideas from others. A bibliography should follow the text

The number of possible topics is countless. In selecting a topic, and in writing the paper, it is important to focus, to select a topic that is manageable. Try to be as specific as possible. Topics must be cleared with the instructor.

The official Troy University style guide for format is the PUBLICATIONS MANUAL of the AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION.

The paper is due Nov. 24, 2009. It can be e-mailed to the Instructor as an attachment or submitted in class. Please ensure that you keep a copy in case it gets lost in transit or transmission.

Students will present their findings to the class. The presentation should run about ten to fifteen minutes. If appropriate feel free to use charts, maps, or other visual aids. Students should be prepared to answer questions from the instructor and/or from fellow class members.

The paper and presentation assignment are worth 30% of the course grade.

## **SYLLABUS and COURSE SCHEDULE (subject to revision)**

### **WEEK ONE:**

#### **Rourke, INTERNATIONAL POLITICS ON THE WORLD STAGE, 12<sup>th</sup> edition, 2007**

- Ch. 1, Thinking and Caring About World Politics
- Ch. 2, The Evolution of World Politics
- Ch. 5, Globalism: The Alternative Orientation

#### **Baylis, Smith, and Owens: THE GLOBALIZATION OF WORLD POLITICS, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2008**

- Introduction (Baylis, Smith, and Owens)
- Ch. 1, Globalization and global politics (McGrew)
- Ch. 2, The evolution of international society (Armstrong)
- Ch. 3, International history, 1900-1990 (Scott)
- Ch. 4, From the cold war to the war on terror (Cox)

### **WEEK TWO:**

#### **Rourke, INTERNATIONAL POLITICS ON THE WORLD STAGE, 12<sup>th</sup> edition, 2007**

- Ch. 3, Levels of Analysis and Foreign Policy

#### **Baylis, Smith, and Owens: THE GLOBALIZATION OF WORLD POLITICS, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2008**

- Ch. 5, Realism (Dunne and Schmidt)
- Ch. 6, Liberalism (Dunne)
- Ch. 7, Contemporary mainstream approaches: neo-realism and neo-liberalism (Lamy)
- Ch. 8, Marxist theories of international relations (Hobden and Jones)
- Ch. 9, Social constructivism (Barnett)
- Ch. 10, Alternative approaches to international theory (Smith and Owens)
- Ch. 11, International Ethics ((Shapcott)

### **WEEK THREE:**

#### **Rourke, INTERNATIONAL POLITICS ON THE WORLD STAGE, 12<sup>th</sup> edition, 2007**

- Ch. 4, Nationalism: The Traditional Orientation
- Ch. 6, National States: The Traditional Structure
- Ch. 7, Intergovernmental Organizations: Alternative Governance

#### **Baylis, Smith, and Owens: THE GLOBALIZATION OF WORLD POLITICS, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2008**

- Ch. 17, International regimes (Little)
- Ch. 18, The United Nations (Taylor and Curtis)
- Ch. 19, Transnational actors and international organizations in global politics (Willets)
- Ch. 23, Nationalism (Breuille)
- Ch. 24, Culture in world affairs (Murden)
- Ch. 25, Regionalism in international affairs (Best and Christiansen)

**MIDTERM EXAM – 30%**

#### **WEEK FOUR:**

**Rourke, INTERNATIONAL POLITICS ON THE WORLD STAGE, 12<sup>th</sup> edition, 2007**

- Ch. 8, National Power and Statecraft: The Traditional Approach
- Ch. 9, International Law and Justice: An Alternative Approach

**Baylis, Smith, and Owens: THE GLOBALIZATION OF WORLD POLITICS, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2008**

- 16) International law (Reus-Smit)

#### **WEEK FIVE:**

**Rourke, INTERNATIONAL POLITICS ON THE WORLD STAGE, 12<sup>th</sup> edition, 2007**

- Ch. 10, National Security: The Traditional Road
- Ch. 11, International Security: The Alternative Road

**Baylis, Smith, and Owens: THE GLOBALIZATION OF WORLD POLITICS, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2008**

- Ch. 12, The changing character of war (Sheehan)
- Ch. 13, International and global security (Baylis)
- Ch. 21, Terrorism and globalization (Kiras)
- Ch. 22, Nuclear proliferation (Hewlett)

#### **WEEK SIX:**

**Rourke, INTERNATIONAL POLITICS ON THE WORLD STAGE, 12<sup>th</sup> edition, 2007**

- Ch. 12, National Economic Competition: The Traditional Road
- Ch. 13, International Economic Cooperation: The Alternative Road

**Baylis, Smith, and Owens: THE GLOBALIZATION OF WORLD POLITICS, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2008**

- Ch. 14, International political economy in an age of globalism (Woods)
- Ch. 26, Global Trade and Finance (Scholte)
- Ch. 27, Poverty, development and hunger (Thomas)

#### **WEEK SEVEN:**

**Rourke, INTERNATIONAL POLITICS ON THE WORLD STAGE, 12<sup>th</sup> edition, 2007**

- Ch. 14, Preserving and Enhancing Human Rights and Dignity
- Ch. 15, Preserving and Enhancing the Biosphere

**Baylis, Smith, and Owens: THE GLOBALIZATION OF WORLD POLITICS, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2008**

- Ch. 15, Gender in world politics (Tickner)
- Ch. 20, Environmental Issues (Vogler)
- Ch. 28, Human security (Acharya)
- Ch. 29, Human rights (Brown)
- Ch. 30, Humanitarian intervention (Bellamy and Wheeler)

**WEEK EIGHT:**

**Baylis, Smith, and Owens: THE GLOBALIZATION OF WORLD POLITICS, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2008**

Ch. 31, Globalization and the transformation of political community (Linklater)

Ch. 32, Globalization and the post-cold war order (Clark)

**FINAL EXAM – 30%**