Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: IREL-305 International Organisations

Department: International Relations

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
IREL-305	International Organisations	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Fall	42	
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
International Relations	Upper Division	English

Course Description

Historical perspective, International peace and security, Multilateral diplomacy, Security Council General Assembly, Economic and Social Council, International Court of Justice, The role of the Secretary-General, Superfluous, inevitable, necessary or sufficient, Specialised agencies, United Nations vs Nation State, Overview, Historical perspective, International peace and security, Multilateral diplomacy, Security Council, General Assembly, Economic and Social Council

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Instructor

Farid Mirbagheri PhD

Course Aims and Objectives

The course is to provide a background to the role of international organisations in international society. It will provide a context within which the functions of such organisations can be analysed and understood. The United Nations, as the only truly international organisation in international society will be the main focus of attention. Why and how it was formed, its functions and limitations, its experience and where it is going will be the subject of examination and scrutiny.

Teaching Methods

Lectures, discussions, assigned readings, projects, presentations

Course Teaching Hours

42 hours. The course is delivered during the Fall semester in 14-weeks (3 hours/week).

Evaluation and Grading

Presentation: 20%
Project: 25%
Mid-term exam: 25%
Final Exam: 30%

Readings and Resources

Required Textbooks

Riggs & Plano, The United Nations, International Organisation and World Politics, Harcourt Brace College Publishers.