Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: IREL-407 Theory of International Relations

Department: International Relations

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
IREL-407	Theory of International Relations	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Spring	42	None
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
International Relations	Upper Division	English

Course Description

This course will survey the history of the discipline and the development of basic approaches (frameworks or paradigms) to the academic study of international relations. It will assess how successfully these theories explain the development of international system in the 20th century. Current developments in theory will also be assessed.

Instructor

Dr Farid Mirbagheri

Course Aims and Objectives

The course aims to introduce an overall survey of theories of International Relations, past and present as well as trends for the future.

Teaching Methods

The course is delivered through a mixture of lectures, assignments and project(s).

Course Teaching Hours

42 hours (42 hours lectures/lab presentations/lab tutorials). The course is delivered during the Spring semester in 14-weeks (3 hours/week).

Evaluation and Grading

Class Participation: 0-5%
Homework/Project(s): 10-20%
Test(s): 40-50%
Final Exam: 40-50%

Readings and Resources

Required Textbook

Dougerty, J & Pfaltzgraff, R., Contending Theories of International Relations

Recommended Reading

Bukk, H: The Anarchical Society Waltz, K: Man, the State & War