

Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: IREL-603 Contextual Analysis of “Great Texts” in International Relations

Department: International Relations

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
IREL-603	Contextual Analysis of “Great Texts” in International Relations	3.7
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Fall	39	None
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
International Relations	Upper Division	English

Course Description

- I Twenty Years Crisis
- Politics Among Nations
- Theory of International Politics
- Anarchical Society
- Transformation of Political Community
- Clash of Civilisations

Instructor

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Course Aims and Objectives

Since the inception of International Relations as a separate field of study, in the aftermath of WW I, some texts have tended to define, shape and determine the nature, role and scope of international relations. This course offers a survey of those works affording students the necessary basic familiarity with major literary contributions in IR. The texts chosen for this work will reflect the different schools of thought in the discipline ranging from realism at one end to critical theory at the other.

Teaching Methods

Lectures, discussions, assigned readings, projects, presentations.

Course Teaching Hours

39 hours. The course is delivered during the fall semester in 13-weeks (3 hours/week)

Evaluation and Grading

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

Readings and Resources

Required Textbooks (philosophy section)
Kenneth Waltz, Theory of International Politics
Hadley Bull, The Anarchical Society
Andrew Linklater, Transformation of Political Community
Samuel Huntington, Clash of Civilisations
Hans Morgenthau, Politics Among Nations
E. H. Carr, Twenty Years Crisis