

## Global Learning Semesters

### Course Syllabus

Course: IREL-650 The Practice of Diplomacy

Department: International Relations

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



| Course Summary          |                           |                          |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Course Code             | Course Title              | Recommended Credit Hours |
| IREL-650                | The Practice of Diplomacy | 3.7                      |
| Semester Offered        | Contact Hours             | Prerequisites            |
| Fall                    | 42                        | None                     |
| Department              | Level of Course           | Language of Instruction  |
| International Relations | Upper Division            | English                  |

### Course Description

- Introduction
- Theory of Diplomacy
- Peacemaking
- Perceptions and misperceptions
- Ambassadors
- Sovereign statehood and diplomacy
- Multilateral diplomacy
- The future of Diplomacy
- An overview

### Instructor

Farid Mirbagheri PhD

### Course Aims and Objectives

This course aims to introduce a theoretical as well as a practical background to diplomacy. In doing so mediation and negotiation and various other manners of peacemaking will be studied. It will be stressed that diplomatic practice transcends the simple mode of communication as offered by new technology. The state of representation is one of the requirements of international life in the era of sovereign statehood. Examples will be used to illustrate points raised during the course.

### Teaching Methods

Lectures, discussions, assigned readings, projects, presentations

### Course Teaching Hours

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

## Evaluation and Grading

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

## Readings and Resources

### Required Textbooks

Jan Mellisen (ed.), *Innovation in Diplomatic Practice*, MacMillan (1999).

Henry Kissinger, *Diplomacy*.