

CATALOG INFORMATION

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Dept & Nbr: POL 103 Title: INTERNATIONAL
Full Title: International Relations

Units	Course Hours	Per Week	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours	Total
Max: 3.0	Lecture	3.0	17	Lecture	51.0
Min: 3.0	Lab	0.0		Lab	0.0
	Contact DHR	0.0		Contact DHR	0.0
	Contact Total	3.0		Contact Total	51.0
	Non-contact DHR	0.0		Non-contact DHR	0.0

Title 5 Category: 01 AA Degree Applic
Grading: GC Credit course for grade or CR/NC
Repeatability: 00 No repeatability allowed or defined
Also listed as:

CATALOG DESCRIPTION:

This course will provide an introductory survey of world politics involving a historical and theoretical analysis of the relations among states and international organizations. It will also explore contemporary problems and issues in global politics, including international institutions and global order; diplomacy and bargaining; war, conflict, terrorism, and weapons of mass destruction; international trade, finance and the global economy; international economic development; the global environment; and human rights.

PREREQUISITES:

COREQUISITES:

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION:

ENG 80 or placement into ENG 200 through assessment process

LIMITS ON ENROLLMENT:

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES INFORMATION:

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Transfer Credit: CSU; UC.

ARTICULATION and CERTIFICATE INFORMATION

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ASSOCIATE DEGREE: Effective: FALL 2008 Inactive:

 Area: B2 SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

CSU GE: Effective: Inactive:

 Transfer area:

IGETC: Effective: Inactive:

 Transfer area:

CSU TRANSFER: TRANSFERABLE Effective: FALL 2008 Inactive: SPRING 2009

UC TRANSFER: TRANSFERABLE Effective: FALL 2008 Inactive:

CAN:

CERTIFICATE APPLICABLE: B BOTH CERTIFICATE AND MAJOR APPLICABLE

APPROVAL AND DATES

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Version 01 Submitted by: PHILLIP WARF Date: 02/11/2008

 Department approved: Debra Polak Date: 02/12/2008

 Curriculum approved: 02/08/2008 Version approved: 02/08/2008

 Prerequisites approved: 02/08/2008 Last reviewed: 02/08/2008

Term effective: FALL 2008 Last taught: Inactive:

COURSE CONTENT

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OUTCOME AND OBJECTIVES:

1. Identify major stages in the development of the international system
2. Examine the root causes of international conflicts
3. Discuss theories of international relations and apply them to contemporary global problems
4. Analyze the role of different actors in international relations such as the nation-state, transnational social movements, international organizations, multinational corporations, and individuals

TOPICS AND SCOPE:

1. Introduction to the Study of International Relations
 - A. Evolution of the nation-state
 - B. Political Institutions
 - C. Approaches to International Relations
 - a. Methodologies
 - b. Levels of Analysis
2. Political Realism and Sources of Conflict Between States
 - A. Realism v. Idealism
 - B. Nationalism
 - C. Ideas, Ideology and Morality
 - D. National Interests and Orientations
3. International Relations and Power
 - A. Political Power
 - B. Status quo
 - C. Diplomacy

- D. War
- E. Imperialism
- F. Hegemony
- 4. World Politics Today
 - A. Regional Alignments
 - a. Western Europe
 - b. Former Soviet Republics, Eastern and Central Eurpoe
 - c. Chinese sphere
 - d. United States sphere
 - e. Japan and East Asia
 - f. Less-developed Nations
 - B. Global challenges
 - a. Nuclear arms and proliferation
 - b. Terrorism
 - c. Ecological Dangers
 - d. Pandemics
 - e. Migration
 - f. Clash of cultures
 - C. International Political Economy
 - a. Trade Relations
 - b. Globalization
 - c. Poverty and the Global South
- 5. Limitations of National Power
 - A. Balance of power
 - B. International morality
 - C. World Public Opinion
 - D. International organization
 - a. History
 - b. League of Nations
 - c. United Nations
 - E. International law and the problem of sovereignty
 - F. Disarmament, collective security, and judicial settlement
- 6. System Transformation
 - A. World State
 - B. World Community
 - a. Cultural approach
 - b. Functional approach

ASSIGNMENTS:

READING ASSIGNMENTS:

Textbook readings and articles from an annual edition reader. Newspaper or journal articles as assigned.

WRITING ASSIGNMENTS:

Short essay homework, essay exams, 5-7 page research paper or book review.

OUTSIDE ASSIGNMENTS:

Preparing writing assignments, reading required selections and studying for exams.

METHOD OF INSTRUCTION:

Lecture, discussion, debate, video tapes, Internet.

METHODS OF EVALUATION:

1. Mid-term exam 2. Quizzes 3. Writing Assignments 4. Journal Article Reviews

BASIS FOR GRADING:

The assignment of a grade is based on the level of achievement of the outcomes and objectives of the course outline and is reflected in quantifiable terms in the course syllabus.

REPRESENTATIVE TEXTBOOKS:

Rourke, John T. International Politics on the World Stage. McGraw-Hill
 Purkitt, Helen. Annual Editions: World Politics 07/08. McGraw-Hill
 Nau, Henry. Perspectives on International Relations. CQ Press

RATIONALE

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This is a typical introductory course that is a staple of most lower division Political Science programs. It allows students to broaden their perspective beyond the United States and understand the complexities of the international system of which it is a part. Also, there is a need to increase the number of POL courses offered to meet the Area D requirements for CSU or the Area 4 IGETC requirements. This course would agument those offerings. The course could also be included as an alternative for the "culture" segment of the A.A. in Social Science degree. At a minimum, it could be added to the list of courses that meet the major requirement for the A.A. in Social Science degree. Additionally, I believe the course would appeal to a general public audience in the area.

RESOURCES REQUIRED

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MISCELLANEOUS

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Advisory generate desc:	N	NO
Area department:	POL	POLITICAL SCIENCE
Audit flag:	N	NOT AUDITABLE
Basic skills:	X	NOT BASIC SKILLS
Classification:	A	Liberal Arts and Sciences
Cost level:	00	VALUE NOT FOUND
Disciplines:		POLITICAL SCIENCE
Division:	02	MERIDITH RANDALL
Faculty service areas:		POLITICAL SCIENCE
Fee:	\$0.00	
In-service:	X	NOT IN-SERVICE
Level below transfer:	X	NOT APPLICABLE
Matric-requiring:	X	Exempt from assessment
Maximum class size:	0	
Maximum wait list:	0	
Method of instruction:	02	LECTURE
Non-credit category:	X	NOT APPLICABLE, CREDIT COURSE
Open entry/exit:	N	Not open entry/exit
Pacs activity:	2207	POLITICAL SCIENCE
Pacs program project:	0000	
Preq/coreq generate desc:	N	NO
Preq/coreq provisional:	N	NO
Preq/coreq reg check:	N	NO PREREQUISITE RULES EXIST
Repeat group id:		
Requires instructor sig:	N	INSTRUCTOR'S SIGNATURE NOT REQUIRED
SAM classification:	E	Non-occupational
Selected/special topic:	N	NOT A SELECTED TOPIC COURSE

Special class:	X	NOT A SPECIAL COURSE
TOP code:	2207.00	POLITICAL SCIENCE
Workload:	0.0000	