Introduction to the International Studies 2200

Dr. Omar Keshk
TR 11:10 AM – 12:30 PM
Room 165, Wm. Oxley Thompson Library
Class Number: 26663
Credits: 3

This course presents the student with a multi-disciplinary analysis of the issues involved in the modern-day transformation of the Middle East.

Fulfills the GE Social Science & International Issues requirement.
Introduction to Development

Dr. Omar Keshk
TR 12:45 PM – 2:05 PM
Room 2040, Fontana Lab
Class Number: 19552
Credits: 3

This course introduces the beginning student to the field of development studies, and the improvement in human well-being.

Fulfills the GE Social Science & International Issues requirement.
Feast or Famine: The Global Business of Food

Online Synchronous, students attend online during class time.
TR 3:55 PM – 5:15 PM
Class Number: 19549
AEDE Class Number: 30638
Credits: 3

Is there enough food for everyone in the world? Are human numbers increasing faster or slower than food supplies? Where are people going hungry and why? Does globalization help people eat better, or does it create food insecurity? Questions and issues of this sort are addressed in this class.

Prerequisite: None. GEC social science and international issues course.

AED Economics & International Studies 2580
Introduction to Peace Studies

Dr. Robert Woyach

WF 9:35 AM – 10:55 AM
Room 301, Pomerene Hall
Class Number: 28254

WF 12:45 PM – 2:05 PM
Room 2133, Ohio Union
Class Number: 29413

This course provides a comprehensive overview of the quest for peace. It traces major issues in the field of peace studies and it introduces a variety of strategies to achieve peace.

Fulfills the GE Social Science & International Issues requirement.

International Studies 2800
Introduction to Western Europe

Prof. Philipp Rehm
ONLINE
Class #: 35956
Credits: 3

This course presents an introductory overview of Western Europe. It chronicles and compares modern Western European societies in terms of history, politics, economics, and culture (art and music).

GE Social Science, and International Issues course, or GE History course.
The Analysis & Display of Data

The analysis and display of data provides students with an introduction to the steps and methods involved in gathering, presenting, analyzing and interpreting data. Students will develop an understanding of how to critically evaluate the validity of statistical arguments, numerical and/or graphical.

This class fulfills the GE Data Analysis requirement.
This course provides an introduction to the question of human rights, its conceptual history, and its practice.
Intelligence gathering and analysis is critical for the protection of our country in a time of uncertainty and multiple global threats. This class will provide students with a comprehensive introduction to the US Intelligence Community and to the wider field of intelligence in general.

Prerequisites: None.
Introduction to Homeland Security

This course provides students with a comprehensive overview of U.S. homeland security.

Prerequisites: none

International Studies 3701

Frank Stratman
TR 5:30 PM – 6:50 PM
Room 301, Pomerene Hall
Class Number: 19551

David Winn
MW 2:20 PM – 3:40 PM
Room 289, Student Academic Services Building
Class Number: 19550
Herding Cyber Cats: Information Security Management

This hands-on course will focus on information security governance tools and processes.
NEW COURSE FOR SP21!

Presented by the East Asian Studies Center and International Studies (image credits National Archives)

Dr. Amy Gregg
The course is 100% online, however, there is a one day per week 80-minute required Zoom session to hold a class discussion on Thursdays from 2:20 PM - 3:40 PM.
Class Number: 35054

This course explores epidemics in the 19th-century, 20th-century, and the 21st-century in East Asia, Africa, and The United States.
Prof. Dorothy Noyes
Hybrid Class Delivery
W in class, F online class
W 9:35 AM – 10:55 AM
Room 180 Hagerty Hall
F 9:35 AM – 10:55 AM
Online Synchronous, students attend online during class time.
Class Number: 33389

This class will be a tour across the countries and cultures of Europe.

"Photo of the mas band Mahogany, Notting Hill Carnival, Carnival Exhibition Group Collection, The Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee Theatre Research Institute."

Belonging in EUROPE

New for Spring 2021!
Democracy & Terrorism: Lessons from the “Troubles” in Northern Ireland

Dr. Jeffrey Lewis
TR 11:10 AM – 12:30 PM
Room 110, Chem & Biomolecular Bldg.
Course Number: 29662

The primary theme of this course will be the challenges that democratic societies face when dealing with terrorism.

International Studies 4195
Middle Eastern Economic Development

Dr. Ida Mirzaie
Online Synchronous, students attend online during class time.
T R  2:20 PM – 3:40 PM
Class Number:  28226

This course intends to extend understanding of the economic issues facing Middle Eastern countries. Building upon basic principles of economics, this course seeks to introduce students to current economic issues from a regional standpoint to shed light on cross-regional similarities and differences.

Prerequisite: AED ECON 2001 or ECON 2001.
The primary objective is for you to understand how international trade theory and policy can aid business and trade policy decisions.

Prerequisite: AED Econ 2001, or Econ 2001, or permission of the instructor.
Biological Weapons, Warfare, and Terrorism: The Historical and Contemporary Risk

Dr. Jeffrey Lewis
ONLINE
Class Number: 28242

This course provides a broad introduction to the history of biological weapons and their current threat to national and global security.

International Studies 4550
World Population, Food & Environment

Nicholas Dadzie
Online Synchronous, students attend online during class time.
MW 5:30 PM – 6:50 PM
Class Number:  26658
AEDE Class Number:  31671

This course addresses population growth and the challenges it poses – in particular, the challenge of providing everyone with an adequate diet while simultaneously conserving the natural resources on which agriculture and other economic activities depend.
Terror and terrorism have been prominent features of Western political culture since the French Revolution. For the most part, modern terrorism is of European origin, and the ideas, goals, and methods of European terrorists have inspired terrorists in non-Western nations. The purpose of this course is to familiarize students with the ideology, motivation, and methods of numerous terrorist groups of the last two centuries in order to provide a basis for an understanding of contemporary terrorist organizations.
New for Spring 2021!

Steven Romig
Online Synchronous, students attend online during class time.
MW 5:30 PM – 6:50 PM
Class Number: 33381

The goal of this course is to provide students of Information Security with a more advanced understanding of the background, terminology, and concepts of Information Security.
Globalization & Latin America

This course explores some of the current debates on globalization in Latin America and recent and interrelated transformations in the economies, politics, and cultures of the region. Three specific “problems” will be examined from several disciplinary perspectives: drugs and drug trafficking, the supposed dissolution of the nation-state, and the rise of indigenous movements. Students will be encouraged to address topics relevant to their major(s) in an interdisciplinary manner. The course is designed around a series of lectures by experts in their fields. This course is cross-listed with Spanish, but is taught in English.

Prerequisites: Sophomore Standing or Higher.
Contemporary Issues in the Middle East

Dr. Alam Payind
Online Synchronous, students attend online during class time.
TR 11:10 AM – 12:30 PM
Class Number: 26657
NELC Class Number: 23738

This course has developed out of the consensus among Middle East experts that a proper understanding of recent events in the Middle East requires more than a casual or narrowly-focused knowledge of the cultural, social, historical, economic, religious and political background of these events. This course will provide students with an opportunity to study, through an in-depth interdisciplinary approach, one of the world’s most complex yet important regions which, except for its crises, is virtually ignored in the news media of most Western countries. This course will seek to illuminate the host of factors underlying contemporary issues in the Middle East and in some North African and Central Asian countries. The first 15 minutes of each session will be devoted to discussions and analyses of daily developments in Middle Eastern countries.

Prerequisite: INTSTDS 2200 or Junior Standing.
This course tackles the question of how to design policies and programs to rebuild failed and weak nation states into functioning, if not vibrant, democracies. In pursuit of this end, we will examine the causes of nation state failure, the trajectories or pathways to and from failure, and the ingredients purported to contribute to the consolidation of democracy. In addition, we will critically assess the policies and programs of international actors intent upon aiding the transition to democracy. In particular, we will examine the programmatic efforts of one of the primary development organs – the U.S. Agency for International Development – in three settings: Ukraine, Rwanda, and Iraq. We will assess USAID’s current complement of programs in each of these three settings and make informed judgments about whether they should be expanded, changed, or abolished. Ultimately, we will examine whether attempting to rebuild failed and weak nation states is an activity worthy of undertaking at all. Maybe weak states should be allowed to fail.

Prerequisites: Sophomore Standing or Permission of Instructor.
Today's US Intelligence Community faces many controversial issues while trying to deal with the multiple global threats that face the US. In this class we will discuss, in depth, such issues as the role of Intelligence Community activities within the US; the appropriate level of legal constraints on intelligence activities; and the uses, and misuses, policymakers make of intelligence.

Prerequisite: International Studies 3700, or permission of department. Embedded Honors section.