



International Studies

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- International Studies 501 is a topics course repeatable to a maximum of 15 credit hours. Students must choose different topics.
- Courses with an * are cross-listed with another department. Students may enroll through either department.

201 INTRODUCTION TO PEACE STUDIES

Instructor: Dr. Young-Bae Hwang
Time: TR 10:30-12:18
Location: Room 040, Jennings Hall
Class #: 12952
Credits: 5

This course provides a comprehensive overview of the quest for peace. It traces major issues in the field of peace studies and its prospects for peace in our world today. It is hoped that by gaining a deeper understanding of the global dialogue on the meaning of peace, students will be able to participate in creative thinking about how humankind might build societies based on non-violence, social, political, and economic well-being, social justice, and ecological balance.

Prerequisites: None. GEC Social Science, and International Issues course.

230 RISE & FALL OF THE SOVIET UNION

Instructor: Dr. Tatyana Nestorova
Time: MW 10:30-12:18 PM
Location: Room 309, Campbell Hall
Class #: 21214
Credits: 5

The course provides an introduction into the history, politics, economy, society and foreign policy of the former Soviet Union. Particular attention will be drawn to the meaning of the Soviet experience. Students will be able to gain an insight into the lives of ordinary people and to develop criteria for evaluating current and future developments in the region.

Prerequisites: None. GEC Social Science, and International Issues course.

300 INTRODUCTION TO HOMELAND SECURITY TERM 1: First Five Weeks

Instructor: Major Matthew Donald
Time: MTWR 9:30-11:18 AM
Location: Room 215, Converse Hall
Class #: 20577
Credits: 5

This undergraduate course provides students with a comprehensive overview of U.S. homeland security. It places homeland security in the context of overall national security and introduces students to the historic, current and emerging threats to strategic interests in the U.S. homeland, with particular emphasis on domestic and foreign terrorism. Students are also introduced to the organizations, laws, strategies, plans, programs and technologies that exist or are being developed to deal with current and future homeland-security challenges. As well, they are prepared to assess systematically, objectively and rigorously various homeland-security problems and issues and to develop and effectively communicate appropriate recommendations to responsible decision makers. Finally, the course acquaints students with government and non-government career opportunities related to various areas of homeland security.

Prerequisites: Sophomore standing or permission of instructor.

443 ANALYSIS AND DISPLAY OF DATA *

TERM 2: Second Five Weeks

Instructor: Dr. Omar Keshk
Time: MTWR 2:30-4:18 PM
Location: Room 220, Journalism Bldg.
IS Class #: 12955
ECON Class #: 7252
Credits: 5

The purpose of this course is to introduce students to the analysis and presentation of data. To this end, this class will first introduce students to the most common methods of summarizing data (*descriptive statistics*). An understanding of how data is and can be summarized is important for those wishing to analyze and present data. Second, the students will be introduced to how the analysis of data is used to *substantiate* opinions and/or judgments of phenomena of interest (*inferential statistics*). This is perhaps the most powerful and most important use of data. This class will hopefully lay the foundation for students to become capable consumers and users of data in the future.

Prerequisite: none. GEC Data Analysis course. * Cross-listed in Economics.

550 CULTURAL DIPLOMACY

Instructor: Dr. Donald Hempson
Time: T R 10:30-12:18 PM
Location: Room 060, Jennings Hall
Class #: 12956
Credits: 5

The terms cultural diplomacy or “soft power” are used to describe the exchange of information, ideas, art, values and beliefs among nations and their peoples. While “hard power” focuses on political diplomacy, foreign trade, military might and propaganda, cultural diplomacy deals primarily with non-government organizations and individuals. Cultural diplomacy promotes the appreciation of different national and regional cultural traditions, reduces the tensions of cultural fragmentation and globalization, safeguards peace, defends human rights, balances economic interests and protects sustainable resources.

This course starts by examining different definitions of cultural and public diplomacy employed by U.S. agencies and international organizations like the Department of State, the European Union, the British Council, and the Goethe Institute.

Prerequisites: none

553 TERROR AND TERRORISM

Instructor: Dr. Jeffrey Lewis
Time: MW 2:30-4:18 PM
Location: Room 208, Pomerene Hall
Class #: 12957
Credits: 5

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. In this class, we will focus on terrorism as political violence carried out by non-state actors, although we will certainly explore the topic of state sponsorship of terrorist groups. Generally, the course will stress the motivation and goals of terrorist organizations.

Specifically, we will address the terror of the French Revolution, anarchism and revolutionary terrorism in 19th century Europe, terrorism in Latin America, European domestic terrorism in the 1960s and 1970s, national liberation and separatist movements, Middle Eastern terrorism, and the impact of the September 11,

2001 terrorist attacks against the United States. We will conclude with an examination of the dangers posed by terrorist groups armed with atomic, biological, or chemical weapons and ways of countering terrorism.

Prerequisites: none

556 COOPERATION AND CONFLICT IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY *

Instructor: TBA
Time: MW 1:30-3:18 PM
Location: Room 080, Derby Hall
Econ Class #: 7263
IS Class #: 12958
Credits: 5

The purpose of this course is to acquaint students with the means of conceptualizing and assessing the impact of the process known as GLOBALIZATION. The contemporary phase of growing economic interdependence of national economies will be put in the historical context of previous periods so that students can evaluate the extent to which the contemporary global economy is something qualitatively and quantitatively unique. Students will explore the major issues and debates regarding free trade.

Prerequisites: Econ 200 or Ag Econ 200, and Econ 201, or permission of instructor. * Cross-listed in Economics.

597.01 WORLD POPULATION, FOOD AND ENVIRONMENT *

Instructor: Emilio Hernandez
Time: MW 10:30-12:18 PM
Location: Room 162, MacQuigg Laboratory
AEDE Class #: 1152
IS Class #: 12959
Credits: 5

This course is designed to help students understand the nature of population, food, and environmental problems especially in low-income countries. Interrelationships among these problems and socioeconomic evaluations of various policy options are stressed using case countries, videos, guest speakers, etc. This course fulfills the GEC contemporary world requirement.

Prerequisites: Junior or Senior standing, or permission of the instructor. * Cross-listed in Agricultural Economics. GEC Contemporary World Course