

Global Collaborative 2024 Summer Program

Future Politics in a Transformative World

Part 1: Theoretical Perspectives on International Relations

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Course Description

In the first five lectures, we will explore the major intellectual traditions of thinking about the politics of international relations. We seek to acquaint students with the major theories, concepts, and debates about world politics. It will begin by looking at the great theoretical debates in the field – particularly between the realist and liberal schools of thought. The topics will include: the nature of the international system and states; the rise and transformation of the international order over the centuries; the origins and consequences of war; international institutions and the problems of cooperation; the interaction of domestic politics and international politics; the role of ideas and norms about sovereignty; the rise of transnational challenges; the rise of China; and the future of international politics.

At the heart of this course is a grand debate over the “problem of order” in world politics. This is a debate over rival visions of world politics. How is order created and maintained in a world of sovereign states? Who commands and who benefits? Do we live in an international of laws that govern the behavior of states and peoples, or a world of anarchy and war? How has international relations evolved over the centuries and decades? Is progress in international relations possible? These are some of the questions we explore in the first five lectures.

Course Schedule

Session One: July 2: [Can the World be Governed?](#)

Stewart Patrick, “Rules of Order: Assessing the State of Global Governance,” Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, September 12, 2023.

<https://carnegieendowment.org/2023/09/12/rules-of-order-assessing-state-of-global-governance-pub-90517>

G. John Ikenberry, “Three Worlds: The West, the East, and the South in the Competition to Shape Global Order,” *International Affairs*, Vol. 100, Issue 1 (January 2024).

<https://academic.oup.com/ia/article/100/1/121/7506681>

Session Two. July 3: [Realism](#)

William C. Wohlforth, "Realism," in the Oxford Handbook of International Relations (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008)

<https://www.oxfordhandbooks.com/view/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780199219322.001.0001/oxfordhb-9780199219322-e-7>

John Mearsheimer, "Anarchy and the Struggle for Power,"

http://www.ucs.mun.ca/~russellw/Teaching_files/Mearsheimer%20-%20Realism.pdf

Optional: Want to Learn More?

Listen to Stephen Walt (Harvard) explain realist theory of international relations and its relevance to understanding today's world.

<https://www.thechicagocouncil.org/commentary-and-analysis/podcasts/stephen-walts-guide-realism>

Optional: Is Conflict between China and the U.S. Inevitable?

John Mearsheimer, "The Inevitable Rivalry: America, China, and the Tragedy of Great-Power Politics," *Foreign Affairs* (November/December 2021).

<https://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/china/2021-10-19/inevitable-rivalry-cold-war>

Responses to Mearsheimer:

"A Rivalry of America's Making?" *Foreign Affairs* (March/April 2022), Responses from G. John Ikenberry, Andrew J. Nathan, Susan Thornton, Sun Zhe, and John J. Mearsheimer.

<https://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/china/2022-02-11/china-strategy-rival-americas-making>

Session Three. July 4: Liberal Internationalism

G. John Ikenberry, "Liberalism, Institutions, and Peaceful Change," unpublished paper.

Michael Doyle, "Kant, Liberal Legacies, and Foreign Affairs."

<https://www.jstor.org/stable/2265298>

John Owen, "How Liberalism Produces Democratic Peace," *International Security* (Fall 1994), pp. 87-125.

<http://www.jstor.org/discover/10.2307/2539197?uid=3739808&uid=2129&uid=2&uid=70&uid=4&uid=3739256&sid=21104584861167>

Optional: Is the World Getting More Peaceful?

Interview with Steven Pinker. <http://www.pri.org/stories/2014-09-29/world-actually-becoming-more-peaceful-believe-it-or-not>

Optional Video: Francis Fukuyama: The Future of Liberal Democracy.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VbSL1g6dfrc>

Session Four: July 5: International Institutions and Law

Robert Keohane, "International Institutions: Two Approaches," International Studies Quarterly, Vol. 32, 1988, pp. 379-96. http://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-663-00202-4_20

John Ruggie, "Multilateralism: The Anatomy of an Institution," in Ruggie, ed., Multilateralism Matters: The Theory and Praxis of an International Form (Columbia, 1993).
<https://scholar.harvard.edu/files/john-ruggie/files/multilateralism.pdf>

Student Assignment

Select an international organization (for example: IMF, World Bank, IEA, WHO, etc.) and write a one paragraph description of its origins and goals. Why was it established, by whom, and what does it do?

Session Five: July 8: Global Civil Society and Human Rights

Margaret Keck and Kathryn Sikkink, "Transnational Activist Networks in International and Regional Politics." <https://courses.washington.edu/pbaf531/KeckSikkink.pdf>

Jan Aart Scholte, "Global Civil Society: Changing the World?" CSGR Working Paper No. 31/99 (May 1999)
https://www.unicef.org/socialpolicy/files/Global_Civil_Society_Changing_the_World.pdf

Part 2: The Transformation of Global/Regional Institutions

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Course Description

In the second part of the lecture, we will elaborate, extend, and specify several topics that were introduced in the first part offered by Prof. Ikenberry. In continuing and further developing the overall theme of the course, “A Transformative World,” these five sessions will explore the various challenges to, and transformative forces affecting, the existing world order, with a focus on key global/regional institutions and organizations.

The first session will offer an overview of challenges to the liberal order, which are typically classified as domestic, international, and transnational. As more concrete, real-world examples, we will watch the video clip of UN Secretary-General Guterres' speech on “Priorities for 2024” at the General Assembly. The second and third sessions will discuss challenges to the global economy and global economic institutions (which are collectively called the Bretton Woods Institutions), such as the WTO, IMF, and World Bank groups. The fourth session examines the contending trends of judicialization and de-judicialization in recent global/regional politics and economies. The final session explores institutional competition and reconfiguration currently ongoing in the East Asian region.

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Session Six. July 9: Challenges to the Liberal Order

David A. Lake, Lisa L. Martin, and Thomas Risse. “Challenges to the Liberal Order: Reflections on International Organization.” *International Organization* 75, Spring 2021

Video: Secretary General Guterres’ Speech on UN GA (2024) “Priorities for 2024”
[UN Secretary-General on his priorities for 2024 - General Assembly briefing | United Nations \(youtube.com\)](#)

<https://www.un.org/sg/en/content/sg/statement/2024-02-07/secretary-generals-remarks-the-general-assembly-priorities-for-2024-scroll-down-for-bilingual-delivered-all-english-version>

Session Seven. July 10: Challenges to the Global Trading System

Richard Baldwin, The World Trade Organization and the Future of Multilateralism. *The Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Vol. 30, No. 1 (Winter 2016), pp. 95-115.
<https://www.jstor.org/stable/43710012>

Hopewell, Kristen. (2021). When the hegemon goes rogue: leadership amid the US assault on the liberal trading order. *International Affairs*, 97(4), 1025–1043.
<https://doi.org/10.1093/ia/iiab073>

Optional:

Creamer, C. D. (2019). From the WTO's Crown Jewel to Its Crown of Thorns. *AJIL Unbound*, 113, 51-55.

Session Eight. July 11: Challenges to the Global Development Organizations & Global Value Chain

[J Qian, JR Vreeland, J Zhao, \(2023\) The impact of China's AIIB on the World Bank International Organization. 77-1.](#)

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0020818322000327>

The New Economic Security State: How De-risking Will Remake Geopolitics
Farrell, Henry & Newman, Abraham *Foreign Affairs* (2023) Vol.6

Optional

[S Hameiri, L Jones. \(2018\) China challenges global governance? Chinese international development finance and the AIIB. International Affairs, 94-3 573-593](#) <https://doi.org/10.1093/ia/iyy026>

Session Nine. July 12: International Judicialization vs. De-judicialization: International Courts and legal institutions

Alter, K. J., Hafner-Burton, E. M., & Helfer, L. R. (2019). Theorizing the Judicialization of International Relations. *International Studies Quarterly*, 63(3), 449–463.

<https://doi.org/10.1093/isq/sqz019>

Daniel Abebe and Tom Ginsburg (2019) The Dejudicialization of International Politics? *International Studies Quarterly*, 63(3) 521–530.

<https://doi.org/10.1093/isq/sqz032>

Optional

Acar, Emre. (2023). Dejudicialisation of International Law and Future Trajectories. *Groningen Journal of International Law*, 10(1), 1-20.

Session Ten. July 15: Regional Institutions: Institutional reconfiguration in the East Asian (Indo-Pacific) region

He, Kai. "China's Rise, Institutional Balancing, and (possible) Peaceful Order Transition in the Asia Pacific." *Pacific Review* 35-6 (2022): 1105-134.

Moon, Don. "IPEF and the Reconfiguration of the East Asian Economic Order." *East Asian Policy* (2022): 42-55

Optional

Pempel, T. J. "Sources of Peace in East Asia: Interdependence, Institutions, and Middle Powers." *Pacific Review* 35.6 (2022): 1010-027.

Part 3: Liberalism & Political Philosophy

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Course Description

In the last five of this 3-part lecture series, we will examine the canonical literature in Western political philosophy, with a focus on different conceptions of “freedom,” and how these conceptions of freedom respectively structure our normative ideas about the proper relations between the state and the individual. In continuation with the first part of this lecture series, we will examine the philosophical concepts that constitute the theoretical foundation of modern liberal democracies.

First, we will start by examining different conceptions of individual freedom throughout the history of Western political thought, and then transition to contemporary discussions of the legitimate limits on individual freedom in society. Some of the questions that this course will examine include the following: what is the social contract theory of the state? What are the limits of the state and society’s authority over the individual? For what sorts of reasons may the state legitimately interfere with individuals – does it include reasons to protect individuals from their own bad choices? Finally, is the normative relationship between different individuals within a state similar to the relationship between different states – if not, then how are they different?

Grading

This course will be graded on the basis of attendance/participation (15%), final presentation (50%), and a quiz (35%). The quiz will be held during the fourth lecture period, for 30 minutes. The final presentation will be held during the last half of the 5th lecture period.

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Session Eleven. July 16 How did the State first Emerge? Hobbes & Social Contract Theory

1. Thomas Hobbes. *Leviathan* 13-18.
2. Optional: Armitage, David. 2007. “Hobbes and the foundations of modern international thought”, In *Rethinking the Foundations of Modern Political Thought*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Session Twelve. July 17 Rousseau on Freedom and the Social Contract

1. Jean-Jacques Rousseau, *On the Social Contract*, Book 3 chs. 1-7, 10-18; Book 4 chs. 1-2; 7-8.
2. Frederick Neuhouser. 1993. "Freedom, Dependence, and the General Will," *Philosophical Review* 102 (3): 363-395.

Session Thirteen. July 18 John Stuart Mill on Freedom

1. John Stuart Mill, *On Liberty*, chs. 1-4.
2. Rawls, John. 2008. "Lectures on Mill" In *Lectures on the History of Political Philosophy*, (ed.) Samuel Freeman. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.

Session Fourteen. July 19 Negative and Positive Liberty

1. Isaiah Berlin, 2002. "Two Concepts of Liberty," in *Liberty: Incorporating Four Essays on Liberty*, (ed.) Henry Hardy. New York: Oxford University Press.
2. Philip Pettit. 2011. "The instability of Freedom as Non-Interference: The case of Isaiah Berlin." *Ethics* 121(3): 693-716.

Session Fifteen. July 22. Domestic Paternalism vs. International Paternalism

1. Jonathan Quong. 2011. *Liberalism Without Perfection*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Chapter 3.
2. Richardson, Henry S. 2016. "Only in the Ballpark of Paternalism: Arrogance and Liberty limitation in International Humanitarian Aid." *Paternalism Beyond Borders*. Ed. Michael N. Barnett. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 47-74.

Optional: Fassin, Didier. 2016. "Rethinking Paternalism: The meaning of gender and sex in the politics of asylum." *Paternalism Beyond Borders*. Ed. Michael N. Barnett. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 75-96.