Gov 360N: Global Governance T/th meetings

Course Overview:

This course examines the forces that shape global stability (and instability). Building on a basic framework outlining how and why actors interact in the international system, this course will explore how states design and agree to international agreements, what those agreements consist of, and how those agreements influence state behavior. The course will also expose students to studies of international law and organizations across several issues areas, including security, international trade, international finance, the environment, and human rights.

Course Structure and Policies:

1. **Readings**: The textbook for the course is:

Patrick McDonald, Terrence Chapman, and Rob Moser, *Opening the Global System: An Introduction to International Relations.* 2021. Pearson Publishers.

This is a modularly designed textbook, meaning that it is customizable for a variety of international relations classes. We will cover a selection of the "modules," which are short chapters that include interactive figures, charts, and some videos. We will typically cover a module in Tuesday's class, then discuss and consider applications on Thursday.

Most topics have a few additional short, timely, current events readings. We will take some time to discuss these in the context of the theories and concepts we discuss.

You are responsible for completing the readings for the class session for which the readings are listed.

Assignments and Grading

Your grade will be composed of the following:

25% textbook activities 25% issue analysis paper 25% exam 2 25% exam 3

Grade Scale (final grades rounded to nearest whole number):

93 and above A

90-92	A -
87-89	B+
83-86	В
80-82	В-
77-79	C+
73-76	C
70-72	C-
67-69	D+
63-66	D
60-62	D-
59 and below	F

Course Calendar

SECTION 1: Institutions, Law, and Norms

1. Introduction

Modules 1-3 in OGS

2. Global Governance

Module 21 in OGS

[insert current events reading on the U.S. and international institutions]

3. International Law

Module 22 in OGS

[insert current events reading on international law]

4. Norms in the International System

Module 23 in OGS

[insert current events reading illustrating norms in IR]

5. Institutions and Environmental Politics

Module 33 in OGS

[insert current events reading on international cooperation and climate change]

***** review of section 1

**** exam #1

SECTION 2: INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT

6. Globalization and Trade

Modules 26 and 27 in OGS

[insert current events reading on globalization, trade, and manufacturing in the U.S.]

7. Exchange Rates

Module 28 in OGS

[insert current events reading on monetary policy and international exchange rate coordination]

8. Foreign Direct Investment

Module 29 in OGS

[insert current events reading on international investment arbitration]

9. Institutions in the World Economy

Module 30 in OGS

[insert current events reading on WTO, IMF, etc.]

****Paper assignment handed out****

10. Globalization and the State

Module 34 in OGS

***Review of section 2
***exam #2

SECTION 3: SECURITY AND ORDER

11. Bargaining, War, and order

Modules 7-10, 12 in OGS

[insert current events readings on bargaining in the shadow of military force]

*** Paper Due ***

12. War and the State; Collective Security, Alliances

Modules 11, 16 and 17 in OGS

[insert current events readings on alliances and collective security]

13. Non-proliferation

Modules 14, 15 in OGS

[insert current events reading on multilateral non-proliferation efforts, IAEA, etc.]

*** exam #3 ****