Political Science 560 International Relations: Theory and Methodology

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Course Description

This course is the proseminar in international relations. Intended for Ph.D students in political science, this seminar is aimed at providing an overview of major theories of international relations and exposing students to contemporary research in the field. In this seminar, you will learn to understand and evaluate academic literature in international relations as well as become familiar with major themes in international relations research. The broad overview of theories and research topics in this course should enable you to identify areas of interest that you can further explore in subsequent graduate courses and in independent research. This course is designed for graduate students who are planning to pursue careers in international relations or political science research and teaching; we will not focus on foreign policy, current events, or issues in particular world regions.

Books

The following books are required for the course:

Axelrod, Robert. 1984. The Evolution of Cooperation. New York: Basic Books.

Keohane, Robert O., ed. 1986. *Neorealism and Its Critics*. New York: Columbia University Press.

Keohane, Robert O. 1984. After Hegemony: Collaboration and Discord in the World Political Economy. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

Olson, Mancur. 1965. The Logic of Collective Action: Public Goods and the Theory of Groups. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.

Russett, Bruce and John Oneal. 2001. Triangulating Peace: Democracy, Interdependence, and International Organizations. New York: Norton.

Waltz, Kenneth. 1954. Man, the State, and War: A Theoretical Analysis. New York: Columbia University Press.

In addition to these books, a number of journal articles and other reading materials – such as sections of books – will be assigned, which can be accessed through online sources.

Evaluation

The grade in this course will be based on the following requirements:

Attendance and Participation (35%)

In order to achieve the goals of this course, we need to engage in extensive discussion of relevant topics. This is not a lecture course. Class discussions are an integral part of a graduate seminar and you will have considerable influence on the class sessions. I expect you to come to class each week, prepared to discuss the readings. You will be expected to share your reactions to the assigned materials with the class. Your participation in class discussions will be evaluated on the bases of both quantity and quality. I would like to hear from you frequently, but it's also important that your comments are relevant to the materials under discussion. Careful and thoughtful reading of the assigned literature will enable you to make informed and insightful comments in class. Ideally, your input will generate further discussion and provide opportunities for a deeper understanding of the topics and the literature.

As in any graduate course in the social sciences, you will need to do substantial reading for each class session. Please allot enough time to the readings; it is not a good idea to expect to read everything the night before. While reading the assigned materials, you should keep the following questions in mind:

- (a) What is the central argument presented by the author?
- (b) How does the author test her/his theory?
- (c) Is the study empirically viable?
- (d) How does the piece fit into the broader literature on the topic?
- (e) What, if any, are the policy recommendations of the study?

Participation and attendance are closely linked since it is not possible to be involved in class discussion if you are not present in class. I expect you to be in class each week. Missing class will have a significant effect on your participation grade. It is also important that you come to class on time; the class session will start on time and I will note any late arrivals against your attendance/participation score.

In addition to attendance and discussion, your participation score will be based on class presentations. Each week, three students will each make a presentation on one of the assigned readings. You will have an opportunity to sign up for these presentations within the first two class sessions. These presentations should be about 10 minutes long and should critically evaluate the piece, including an assessment of the argument and evidence. You should make notes for the presentation, but should neither read a script nor make random comments while sifting through the actual reading. You will be evaluated on the structure, coherence, and quality of your presentation.

Short Papers (35%)

Each week, students will have the opportunity to turn in a short paper evaluating one of the readings for the week. A total of four short papers need to be turned in over the course of the semester. Only one paper can be written each week. The papers must be turned in at the beginning of class and should not be longer than five pages. If you are making a presentation that day and wish to write a paper as well, that paper should be on a reading other than the one on which your presentation is based. These papers are expected to present a critical assessment of the work, including comments on theory, empirical evidence, methods, and implications. Late papers – or papers that address a different week's readings – will not be accepted.

Exam (30%)

There will be an exam at the end of the semester. This exam will be based on the format of the Ph.D comprehensive exam, and will contain essay questions that test your theoretical and thematic knowledge of international relations.

Course Outline

August 23: Introduction

August 30: No class

I: Theoretical Approaches in the Study of International Relations September 6: Realism and Neorealism

Robert O. Keohane. 1986. *Neorealism and Its Critics*. New York: Columbia University Press. Chapters 1–5.

John J. Mearsheimer. 2001. The Tragedy of Great Power Politics. New York: Norton. Chapters 1, 2, and 9.

Bruce Bueno de Mesquita. 1985. "Toward a Scientific Understanding of International Conflict: A Personal View, in Symposium: Methodological Foundations of the Study of International Conflict." *International Studies Quarterly* 29: 121–136.

Stephen M. Walt. 1987. Origins of Alliances. Ithaca: Cornell University Press. pp. 17–33.

Kenneth Waltz. 1954. Man, the State, and War: A Theoretical Analysis. New York: Columbia University Press.

Suggested:

Edward Hallett Carr. 1964. The Twenty Years Crisis, 1919–1939. New York: Harper and Row.

Jonathan Mercer. 1995. "Anarchy and Identity," International Organization 49: 229–252.

Hans Mongenthau. Politics Among Nations.

Thucydides. History of the Peloponnesian War.

September 13: Cooperation

Robert Axelrod. 1984. The Evolution of Cooperation. New York: Basic Books. Chapters 1–4, 6.

Robert Axelrod and Robert Keohane. 1985. "Achieving Cooperation under Anarchy: Strategies and Institutions," World Politics 38: 226–254.

Mancur Olson. 1965. The Logic of Collective Action: Public Goods and the Theory of Groups. Cambridge: Harvard University Press. pp. 1–65.

Kenneth Oye. 1985. "Explaining Cooperation Under Anarchy: Hypotheses and Strategies," World Politics 38: 1–24.

Suggested:

Robert Axelrod. 1986. "An Evolutionary Approach to Norms," *American Political Science Review* 80: 1095–1111.

James Fearon. 1998. "Bargaining, Enforcement, and International Cooperation," *International Organization* 52: 269–305.

Robert Jervis. 1978. "Cooperation Under the Security Dilemma," World Politics: 167–214.

September 20: Neoliberal Institutionalism

Kenneth Abbott and Duncan Snidal. 1998. "Why States Act Through Formal International Organizations," *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 42: 3–32.

George W. Downs, David M. Rocke, and Peter N. Barsoom. 1996. "Is the Good News About Compliance Good News About Cooperation?" *International Organization* 50: 379–406.

Robert Keohane. 1984. After Hegemony: Collaboration and Discord in the World Political Economy. Princeton: Princeton University Press. Chapters 1–6.

Robert Keohane and Lisa Martin. 1995. "The Promise of Institutional Theory," *International Security* 20: 39–51.

John J. Mearsheimer. 1994. "The False Promise of Institutionalism," *International Security* 19: 5–49.

Jana Von Stein. 2005. "Do Treaties Constrain or Screen? Selection Bias and Treaty Compliance." American Political Science Review 99: 611–622.

Suggested:

David Baldwin, ed. 1993. Neorealism and Neoliberalism: The Contemporary Debate. New York: Columbia University Press.

Robert Keohane and Joseph Nye. 1987. "Power and Interdependence Revisited," *International Organization* 41: 725–753.

Stephen Krasner. 1991. "Global Communications and National Power: Life on the Pareto Frontier," World Politics 43: 336–366.

Lisa Martin. 1992. Coercive Cooperation. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

Lisa Martin and Beth Simmons. 1998. "Theories and Empirical Studies of International Institutions," *International Organization* 52: 729–757.

Lisa Martin and Beth Simmons Eds. 2001. International Institutions: An International Organization Reader. Cambridge: MIT Press.

September 27: The Rational Choice Approach

Christopher Achen and Duncan Snidal. 1989. "Rational Deterrence Theory and Comparative Case Studies," World Politics 41: 143–169.

Bruce Bueno de Mesquita and James Morrow. 1999. "Sorting through the Wealth of Notions," *International Security* 24: 56–73.

Scott Sigmund Gartner. 1997. Strategic Assessment in War. New Haven: Yale University Press. Chapters 1 and 2.

Lisa Martin. 1999. "The Contributions of Rational Choice: A Defense of Pluralism," *International Security* 24: 74–83.

Stephen Walt. 1999. "Rigor or Rigor Mortis? Rational Choice and Security Studies," *International Security* 23: 5–48.

Suggested:

Bruce Bueno de Mesquita. 1981. The War Trap. New Haven: Yale University Press.

Bruce Bueno de Mesquita and David Lalman. 1992. War and Reason: Domestic and International Imperatives. New Haven: Yale University Press.

Jack S. Levy. 1993. "An Introduction to Prospect Theory," Political Psychology 13: 171–186.

Jack S. Levy, 1997. "Prospect Theory, Rational Choice, and International Relations," *International Studies Quarterly* 41: 87–112.

James G. March. 1978. "Bounded Rationality, Ambiguity, and the Engineering of Choice," *Bell Journal of Economics* 9: 587–608.

Rose McDermott. 2004. "The Feeling of Rationality: The Meaning of Neuroscientific Advances for Political Science," *Perspectives on Politics* 2: 691-706.

Benjamin Most and Harvey Starr. 1984. "International Relations Theory, Foreign Policy Substitutability, and 'Nice' Laws," World Politics 36: 383–406.

Richard Ned Lebow. 1981. Between Peace and War: The Nature of International Crisis. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.

Robert Powell. 1999. "The Modeling Enterprise and Security Studies," *International Security* 24: 97–106.

Herbert Simon. 1985. "Human Nature in Politics: The Dialogue of Psychology with Political Science," American Political Science Review 79: 293–304.

Amos Tversky and Daniel Kahneman. 1982. Judgment Under Uncertainty: Heuristics and Biases. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Stephen Walt. 1999. "A Model Disagreement," International Security 24: 115–130.

October 4: Liberalism, Constructivism, and Norms

Michael Doyle. 1986. "Liberalism and World Politics," American Political Science Review 80: 1151–1169.

Martha Finnemore and Kathryn Sikkink. 1998. "International Norm Dynamics and Political Change," *International Organization* 52: 887–917.

Andrew Moravcsik. 1997. "Taking Preferences Seriously: A Liberal Theory of International Politics," *International Organization* 51: 513–553.

John Gerard Ruggie. 1998. "What Makes the World Hang Together? Neo-utilitarianism and the Social Constructivist Challenge," *International Organization* 52: 855–885.

Bruce Russett and John Oneal. 2001. Triangulating Peace: Democracy, Interdependence, and International Organizations. New York: Norton. Chapters 1, 8.

Alexander Wendt. 1994. "Collective Identity Formation and the International State," American Political Science Review 88: 384–396.

Suggested:

Matthew Evangelista. 1999. Unarmed Forces: The Transnational Movement to End the Cold War. Ithaca: Cornell University Press.

James Fearon and David Laitin. 2000. "Violence and the Social Construction of Ethnic Identity," *International Organization* 54: 845–877.

Martha Finnemore. 2003. The Purpose of Intervention: Changing Beliefs About the Use of Force. Ithaca: Cornell University Press.

Judith Goldstein and Robert Keohane. 1993. *Ideas and Foreign Policy: Beliefs, Institutions, and Political Change*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press.

Peter Haas. 1992. "Introduction: Epistemic Communities and International Policy Coordination," *International Organization* 46: 1–35.

Stephen Haggard and Beth Simmons. 1987. "Theories of International Regimes," *International Organization* 41: 491–517.

Alastair Iain Johnson. 2001. "Treating International Institutions as Social Environments," International Studies Quarterly 45: 487–515.

Peter Katzenstein Ed. 1996. The Culture of National Security: Norms and Identity in World Politics. New York: Columbia University Press.

Dan Reiter. 1994. "Learning, Realism, and Alliances: The Weight of the Shadow of the Past," World Politics 46: 490–526.

Dan Reiter. 1996. Crucible of Beliefs: Learning, Alliances, and the World Wars. Ithaca: Cornell University Press.

Thomas Risse–Kappen. 1994. "Ideas Do Not Float Freely: Transnational Coalitions, Domestic Structures, and the End of The Cold War," *International Organization* 48: 185–214.

Nina Tannenwald. 2005. "Stigmatizing the Bomb: Origins of the Nuclear Taboo." *International Security* 29: 5-49.

Alexander Wendt. 1992. "Anarchy is What States Make of it: The Social Construction of Power Politics," *International Organization* 46: 391–425.

Alexander Wendt. 1999. Social Theory of International Politics. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

II. International Conflict

October 11: Systemic Theories of Conflict

John Lewis Gaddis. 1986. "The Long Peace: Elements of Stability in the Postwar International System," *International Security* 4: 99–142.

Paul Huth, Christopher Gelpi, and D. Scott Bennett. 1993. "The Escalation of Great Power Militarized Disputes: Testing Rational Deterrence Theory and Structural Realism," *American Political Science Review* 87: 609–623.

Jack S. Levy. 1987. "Declining Power and the Preventive Motivation for War," World Politics 40: 82–107.

Benjamin Most and Harvey Starr. 1983. "Conceptualizing 'War': Consequences for Theory and Research," *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 27: 137-159.

Randall L. Schweller. 1993. "Tripolarity and the Second World War," *International Studies Quarterly* 37: 73–105.

Dina Zinnes. 1980. "Three Puzzles in Search of a Researcher." *International Studies Quarterly* 23: 315–342.

Suggested:

Bear Braumoeller. 2008. "Systemic Politics and the Origins of Great Power Conflict," American Political Science Review 102: 1-17.

Lars-Erik Cederman. 1994. "Emergent Polarity: Analyzing State-Formation and Power Politics," *International Studies Quarterly* 38: 501-533.

Robert Gilpin. 1981. War and Change in World Politics. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Ted Hopf. 1991. "Polarity, The Offense-Defense Balance, and War," American Political Science Review: 475–493.

Robert Jervis. 1984. The Illogic of American Nuclear Strategy. Ithaca: Cornell University Press.

MacDonald, Paul K., and David A. Lake. 2008. "Correspondence: The Role of Hierarchy in International Politics." *International Security* 32: 171-180.

Sara Mitchell. 2002. "A Kantian System," American Journal of Political Science 46: 749–759.

A. F. K. Organski and Jacek Kugler. 1980. The War Ledger. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Randall Schweller. 1997. Deadly Imbalances: Tripolarity and Hitler's Strategy of World Conquest. New York: Columbia University Press.

October 18: Dyadic Theories of Conflict

Stuart Bremer. 1992. "Dangerous Dyads: Conditions Affecting the Likeliood of Interstate War, 1816–1965," *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 36: 309–341.

James D. Fearon. 1995. "Rationalist Explanations for War," *International Organization* 49: 379–414.

Erik Gartzke. 1999. "War is in the Error Term," International Organization 53: 567–587.

Paul Huth and Bruce Russett. 1984. "What Makes Deterrence Work? Cases from 1900 to 1980," World Politics 36: 496–526.

Robert Jervis. 1976. Perception and Misperception in International Politics. Princeton: Princeton University Press. Chapter 3.

Brett Ashley Leeds. 2003. "Do Alliances Deter Aggression? the Influence of Military Alliances on the Initiation of Militarized Interstate Disputes," *American Journal of Political Science* 47: 427–439.

Suggested:

Paul Huth. 1988. "Extended Deterrence and the Outbreak of War." American Political Science Review 82: 423–443.

Andrew Kydd. 2003. "Which Side Are You On? Bias, Credibility, and Mediation." *American Journal of Political Science* 47: 497–611.

William Reed. 2000. "A Unified Statistical Model of Conflict Onset and Escalation," American Journal of Political Science 44: 84-93.

Thomas C. Schelling. 1960. The Strategy of Conflict. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.

Thomas C. Schelling. 1966. Arms and Influence. New Haven: Yale University Press.

R. Harrison Wagner. 2000. "Bargaining and War," American Journal of Political Science 44: 469–484.

October 25: Domestic Politics and Conflict I

William Dixon. 1994. "Democracy and the Peaceful Settlement of International Conflict," *American Political Science Review* 88: 14–32.

Erik Gartzke. 1998. "Kant We All Just Get Along? Opportunity, Willingness, and the Origins of the Democratic Peace," *American Journal of Political Science* 42: 1–27.

Zeev Maoz and Bruce Russett. 1993. "Normative and Structural Causes of the Democratic Peace, 1946?1986." American Political Science Review 87: 624–638.

Bruce Russett and John Oneal. 2001. Triangulating Peace: Democracy, Interdependence, and International Organizations. New York: Norton. Chapters 2, 3, 4.

Suggested:

Christopher Gelpi and Joseph M. Grieco. 2008. "Democracy, Interdependence, and the Sources of the Liberal Peace." *Journal of Peace Research* 45:17-37.

Bruce Russett. 1993. Grasping the Democratic Peace: Principles for a Post–Cold War World. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

Jack Snyder. 2000. From Voting to Violence: Democratization and Nationalist Conflict. New York: Norton.

November 1: Domestic Politics and Conflict II

Bruce Bueno de Mesquita, James D. Morrow, Randolph M. Siverson, and Alastair Smith. 1999. "An Institutional Explanation of the Democratic Peace," *American Political Science Review* 93: 791–807.

James D. Fearon. 1994. "Domestic Political Audiences and the Escalation of International Disputes," *American Political Science Review* 88: 577–592.

Clifton Morgan and Sally Howard Campbell. 1991. "Domestic Structure, Decisional Constraints, and War," *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 35: 187–211.

Dan Reiter and Allan C. Stam III. 1998. "Democracy, War Initiation, and Victory," *American Political Science Review* 92: 259–77.

Dan Reiter and Allan C. Stam III. 2002. *Democracies at War*. Princeton: Princeton University Press. Chapter 3.

Paul Senese. 1997. "Between Dispute and War: the Effect of Joint Democracy on Interstate Conflict Escalation." *The Journal of Politics*: 59: 1–27.

Suggested:

Bruce Bueno de Mesquita, Alastair Smith, Randolph M. Siverson, and James D. Morrow. 2003. *The Logic of Political Survival*. Cambridge: MIT Press.

Brett Ashley Leeds. 1999. "Domestic Political Institutions, Credible Commitments, and International Cooperation," *American Journal of Political Science* 43: 979–1002.

Robert Putnam. 1988. "Diplomacy and Domestic Politics: The Logic of Two Level Games," *International Organization* 42: 427–460.

Stephen Walt. 1992. "Revolution and War," World Politics 44: 321–368.

November 8: Domestic Conflict

Halvard Buhaug and Scott Gates. 2002. "The Geography of Civil War," *Journal of Peace Research* 39: 417–433.

Paul Collier and Anke Hoeffler. 2002. "On the Incidence of Civil War in Africa," *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 46: 13–28.

Havard Hegre, Tanja Ellingsen, Scott Gates, and Nils Petter Gleditsch. 2001. "Toward a Democratic Civil Peace? Democracy, Political Change, and Civil War," *American Political Science Review* 95: 33–48.

Stathis Kalyvas. 2006. The Logic of Violence in Civil War. New York: Cambridge University Press. Chapters 1, 4, 5, 6.

Nicholas Sambanis. 2004. "What Is Civil War? Conceptual and Empirical Complexities of an Operational Definition," *The Journal of Conflict Resolution* 48: 814-858.

Suggested:

Stathis Kalyvas. 2006. The Logic of Violence in Civil War. New York: Cambridge University Press. Chapters 2, 3, 7, 8, 9.

November 15: catch up and discussion

November 22: Thanksgiving

November 29: Conflict Termination

Hein Goemans. 2000. War and Punishment: The Causes of War Termination and the First World War. Princeton: Princeton University Press. Chapters 2, 3.

Havard Hegre. 2004. "The Duration and Termination of Civil War," *Journal of Peace Research* 41: 243–252.

Barbara Walter. 2002. Committing to Peace: The Successful Settlement of Civil Wars. Princeton: Princeton University Press. Chapter 2.

Suzanne Werner. 1999. "The Precarious Nature of Peace: Resolving the Issues, Enforcing the Settlement, and Renegotiating the Terms," American Journal of Political Science 43: 912–934.

Suggested:

Darren Filson and Suzanne Werner. "A Bargaining Model of War and Peace: Anticipating the Onset, Duration, and Outcome of War," American Journal of Political Science 46: 819–838.

Alastair Smith and Allan C. Stam. 2004. "Bargaining and the Nature of War," *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 48: 783–813.

Barbara Walter. 1997. "The Critical Barrier to Civil War Settlement." *International Organization* 51: 335: 364.

III. International Political Economy

December 6: Systemic, Dyadic, and State-level Factors

Stephen D. Krasner. 1976. "State Power and the Structure of International Trade," World Politics 28: 317–347.

James D. Morrow, Randolph M. Siverson, and Tressa E. Tabares. 1998. "The Political Determinants of International Trade: The Major Powers, 1907-1990," *American Political Science Review* 92: 649–661.

Ronald Rogowski. 1987. "Trade and the Variety of Democratic Institutions," *International Organization* 41: 203–223.

Bruce Russett and John Oneal. 2001. Triangulating Peace: Democracy, Interdependence, and International Organizations. New York: Norton. pp. 218–228.

Beth Simmons. 1994. Who Adjusts? Domestic Sources of Foreign Economic Policy During the Interwar Years. Princeton: Princeton University Press. Chapters 1 and 2.

Beth A. Simmons and Zachary Elkins. 2004. "The Globalization of Liberalization: Policy Diffusion in the International Political Economy," *American Political Science Review* 98: 171–189.

Suggested:

David Bearce. 2003. "Societal Preferences, Partisan Agents, and Monetary Policy Outcomes," *International Organization* 57: 373–410.

Marc Busch and Eric Reinhardt. 1999. "Industrial Location and Protection: The Political and Economic Geography of U.S. Non-Tariff Barriers," *American Journal of Political Science* 43: 1028–1050.

Marc L. Busch. 1999. Trade Warriors: States, Firms, and Strategic-Trade Policy in High Technology Competition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Jeffrey A. Frieden and David A. Lake, eds. 1995. International Political Economy: Perspectives on Global Power and Wealth. New York: St. Martins Press.

Robert Gilpin. 1987. The Political Economy of International Relations. Princeton: University Press.

Joanne Gowa. 1994. Allies, Adversaries, and International Trade. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

Michael J. Hiscox. 2001. "Class Versus Industry Cleavages: Inter-Industry Factor Mobility and the Politics of Trade," *International Organization* 55: 1–46.

Peter J. Katzenstein. 1977. "Conclusion: Domestic Structures and Strategies of Foreign Economic Policy," *International Organization* 31: 879–920.

David A. Lake. 1988. Power, Protection, and Free Trade. Ithaca: Cornell University Press.

Helen Milner. 1987. "Resisting the Protectionist Temptation: Industry and the Making of Trade Policy in France and the United States during the 1970s," *International Organization* 41: 639–665.

Ronald Rogowski. 1987. "Political Cleavages and Changing Exposure to Trade," *American Political Science Review* 81: 1121–1137.

Duncan Snidal. 1985. "The Limits of Hegemonic Stability Theory," *International Organization* 39: 579–614.

Academic Dishonesty

The Department of Political Science, along with the College of the Liberal Arts and the University, takes violations of academic dishonesty seriously. Observing basic honesty in one's work, words, ideas, and actions is a principle to which all members of the community are required to subscribe.

All course work by students is to be done on an individual basis unless an instructor clearly states that an alternative is acceptable. Any reference materials used in the preparation of any assignment must be explicitly cited. Students uncertain about proper citation are responsible for checking with their instructor.

In an examination setting, unless the instructor gives explicit prior instructions to the contrary, whether the examination is in-class or take-home, violations of academic integrity shall consist but are not limited to any attempt to receive assistance from written or printed aids, or from any person or papers or electronic devices, or of any attempt to give assistance, whether the one so doing has completed his or her own work or not.

Lying to the instructor or purposely misleading any Penn State administrator shall also constitute a violation of academic integrity.

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