

U.S. Foreign Relations

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Course description and objectives

This course examines the contemporary characteristics and theories, interests and dimensions, and patterns of decision and action of the foreign relations and international politics and policies of the United States. We study the main theories and ideological contours of American international relations, the rise of the U.S. to world power, the foreign policy decision processes in the contexts of American democracy, the pivotal environments of U.S. international interests and foreign policies, and the critical junctures America faces in a world political system under change.

The objectives of the course are to produce relevant, effective knowledge and understanding of the foreign relations and international policies of the U.S., with an aim at preparing for further specialization and study of American and comparative foreign policy and international relations, and to empower the student to use such knowledge and understanding for advancing academic and professional projects.

Main study units

1 Concepts and Theories of American Foreign Policy week 1: Sep 30, Oct 2, 4
2 U.S. in the World: Historical Contexts weeks 2, 3: Oct 7-18

Rise to World Power
The Cold War
Post-Cold War First Interval
Post-Cold War Second Interval

3 Institutions and Decision Processes weeks 4, 5: Oct 21-
Nov 1

Constitutional Framework
The EOP, NSC, and State
Intelligence and Defense
Agenda Setting, Policy Performance

4 U.S. in the World: Present Task Environments weeks 6, 7, 8, 9: Nov
4-29

Middle East and Northern Africa
Europe, Atlantic Community
Russia, Central and South Asia
East Asia, Japan, China
Latin America
Sub-Saharan Africa
Democracy, Human Rights, Terror Crisis
International Security and Arms Control
World Economy, Global Environment

5 United States in a Changing International System

week 10: Dec 2-6

America at a Global Crossroads

Required texts

- . Professor's Lecture Notes
- . Presentation Materials and Instructions
- . U.S. Foreign Policy, by Michael Cox and Doug Stokes (Oxford University Press, 2012; ISBN 978-0-19-958581-6; 482 pp)

Main supplementary and consulting materials:

- . Explaining the History of American Foreign Relations, Michael J. Hogan and Thomas G. Paterson, eds. (Cambridge U.P., 2004, second edition); U.S. Foreign Relations Law, Philip R. Trimble (Foundation Press, 2002); and American Foreign Relations: A History, Volume 2: Since 1895, Thomas Paterson, J. Garry Clifford, Shane J. Maddock, Deborah Kisatsky, and Kenneth Hagan (Wadsworth, 2009, 608 pp.)

Course calendar

Course introduction and overview: Sept 27, 30, Oct 2, 4
Presentations round 1: Oct 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25
Presentations round 2: Oct 30, Nov 1, 6, 8, 13, 15
Presentations round 3: Nov 20, 22, 27, Dec 2, 4, 6
Term paper deadline: Dec 6
Final exam: Dec 13 11:30

Course requirements and evaluation

All course output, if subject to evaluation, is assessed in terms of these basic standards: format, informative, focus, rigorous, critical. These standards apply to the following categories of output for evaluation:

Attendance & participation 30% of grade point

Reading notes 9 x 2	18%	“
Presentations 3 x 5	15%	“
Discussions 3 x 1	3%	“
Term paper	17%	“
Final exam	17%	“

Attendance and participation are essential individual assignments common to all; **attendance**, being present in class, accounts for 0.5 points per class session, and attending 15 class sessions is required to earn a grade in the course; participation in this context is mainly in-class writing, which consists of a meaningful, focused, statement to be written at the end of class on the question/s specified for this purpose by the professor; it accounts for the other 0.5 point of this task

Presentations are group assignments; the grade, however, is individual. The sequence of presentations is organized into three rounds, in each of which all groups present. The first round of presentations and discussions are considered in training: every one gets an A grade for as long as the assignments are made as scheduled and they make generally sense in terms of the topic's issues and subject matter.

Discussions are likewise group assignments, individually graded, which consist of questions the members of the discussant group field in to the members of the presenting group: discussants should be aware of what is going to be presented and listen attentively to the presenters to prepare their questions.

Reading notes are weekly individual assignments addressing specific questions, as indicated by the professor in the assignment, on the basis of the course textbook; reading notes are due in class every Friday, starting on September 28 – RN1– and ending on November 23, with RN9.

The term paper is an individual assignment, which consists of an original essay, 10 to 15 pages long, double-spaced, on any of the topics of the course. The choice of case is to be made by each student in consultation with the instructor from any of the topics indicated in the Syllabus for this purpose.

The final exam consists of original essays on a selected number of questions among the *final exam questions* file provided throughout the term and addressed in class lectures, presentations, and discussion, reading notes, text materials.

The evaluation criteria applied by the Instructor on all assignments consist of the following standards: 1) *format* [well organized, written, edited original] 2) *rigor* [sound, well grounded, consistent and coherent, it shows understanding] 3)

informative [knowledge of facts, events and processes, theories] and 4)
critical/analytical [reasoning, contrasting viewpoints and examples].

Grading scale

A.	96 to 100	grade points
A-	89 to 95	“
B+	79 to 88	“
B	72 to 78	“
B-	64 to 71	“
C+	54 to 63	“
C	47 to 53	“

Academic standards

On written assignments, any material or textual reference –including web-based references– not original to the student must be cited in the format of the Modern Languages Association [MLA] author-date system* or the University of Chicago/ Turabian Notes System**. For reference to documentation standards for various fields you may refer to the University Library and or to the University Writing Center.

* http://www.lib.umd.edu/guides/citing_mla.html

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Term Paper Topics

Rise to World Power

- . *Wars with Mexico and Spain*
- . *Sea Power*
- . *World War I*
- . *World War II*
- . *United Nations*

The Cold War

- . *Containment*
- . *Vietnam War*
- . *Iran's Revolution*
- . *Covert War in Afghanistan*

Post Cold War First Interval

- . *Balkans Wars 1: Bosnia and the Dayton Accords*
- . *Balkans Wars 2: Kosovo Crisis*

Post Cold War Second Interval

- . *September 11, 2001*
- . *Iraq War Crisis*

Policy Making Institutional Frameworks

- . *The Constitution and Foreign Affairs*
- . *Separation of Powers and the Conduct of Foreign Policy*
- . *The State Department*
- . *The National Security Council*
- . *Roles of Strategic Intelligence*
- . *Defense Policy and Foreign Relations*
- . *Global Surveillance and Foreign Policy*
- . *Agenda Setting and Implementation in Foreign Policy*
- . *Performance Evaluation in Foreign Policy*

Present Task Environments: Middle East

- . *Iran*
- . *Israel*
- . *Iraq*
- . *Egypt*
- . *Saudi Arabia*
- . *Turkey*

Present Task Environments: Europe, the Atlantic Community

- . *The Western Alliance*
- . *End of the Cold War and Unification of Germany*
- . *NATO Out of Area: Balkans, Afghanistan, Libya, Syria?*
- . *The Transatlantic Free Trade Area*
- . *Global Surveillance and U.S.-E.U. Relations*

Present Task Environments: Russia, Central and South Asia

- . *Russia in Shared Eurasia*
- . *Central Asia: the Endgame of the Great Game in Afghanistan*
- . *Central Asia: the Endgame of the Great Game in Pakistan*
- . *India: A Strategic Partner?*

Present Task Environments: East Asia, Japan, China

- . *East Asia in American Pacific*
- . *Japan: Cracks, Risks, and Potentials of the Alliance*
- . *China's Disputes and Force Projection Capabilities*
- . *China's Global Economic Rise*

Present Task Environments: Latin America

- . *Managing the Sphere: LA in the American Hemisphere*
- . *From Intervention to Good Neighbor Policy and Back, and Beyond Past: Forward to Partnership?*
- . *Is Latin America Turning Away from the U.S.?*
- . *Global Surveillance and U.S.-Latin America Relations*
- . *Courses of Action: Key Issues in the Ways Forward*

Present Task Environments: Africa

- . *Geopolitical Mapping and Quantifying Africa in American foreign policy*
- . *Development and Trade; Peace, Security, and Democracy*

Present Task Environments: Democracy, Human Rights, Terror Crisis

- . *Democracy in American Foreign Policy*
- . *The Foreign Policy of Human Rights*
- . *Terror Crisis Foreign Policy Issues*
- . *The Use of Force in the Terror Crisis*

Present Task Environments:

International Security and Arms Control

- . *International Security and Arms Control 1: Continuities and Changes in Task Environments*
- . *International Security and Arms Control 2: Arms Control, Verification, and Compliance*
- . *International Security and Arms Control 3: International Security and Non-Proliferation*
- . *International Security and Arms Control 4: Political-Military Affairs and Defense-Diplomacy Coordination*
- . *International Security and the Global Surveillance Crisis*

Present Task Environments:

World Economy, Global Environment

- . *Economics, Energy, Environment 1: E3 Policies Overview*
- . *Energy Resources*
- . *Oceans and Environment*
- . *Information and Communication and Global Surveillance*

Present Task Environments:

America at a Global Crossroads

- . *Conditions of World Order and Global Governance*
- . *Peace, War, and International Security*
- . *Pivots of Conflict*
- . *Global Surveillance and International Security*
- . *Influences, Control, Accountability, Efficiency and Effectiveness*

Core Materials for Review In Presentations and Papers

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