

POLSC& 203

International Relations

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Required Texts: International Relations: Brief Fourth Edition
Goldstein and Pevehouse

Attendance: Attendance is mandatory. There will be changes in readings and assignments throughout the course. I have found that it is impossible not to change a course slightly to suit the needs of that particular quarter or that particular set of students. Participating in discussions will help you to succeed in the rest of the course.

Essays: Papers are due on the dates set in the calendar below. Be aware that the calendar may change. I reserve the right to change due dates, etc. Please take the time to get the phone number of another student in class, or call or e-mail me when you miss to make sure that you are consistently meeting the demands of the class.

All papers must be typed with standard margins and font. Please use the title of the essay on the top of your paper to identify your essay. Each essay must also include the **name of the author on each page**. Hand in all relevant papers at the time the essay is due. Each essay is 2-3 full pages in length, typed and double spaced. Please do not submit longer papers. Short papers will also not be accepted. **The instructor will not read short essays or long essays.** Essays are to be typed in 10 or 12 point, Times New Roman or a comparable font.

Plagiarism: Plagiarism will not be tolerated. Any student caught plagiarizing will receive a failing grade and their paper will be turned over to the appropriate authorities. The college subscribes to plagiarism web sites. Students may not use papers written for other courses. Each paper should be unique for this course. Any student who is unclear on plagiarism or the instructors and division policies regarding plagiarism should consult the student handbook, Social Science Division policies and the writing lab web site at Bellevue Community College.

Grading:

Discussion and Simulation Participation 15%

Simulation response paper 10%

Paper 1 10 %

Paper 2 10 %

Paper 3 15 %

Midterm 20%

Final 20 %

Calendar Week	Assignments				
<i>Week 1</i>	Introduction		Readings:		
<i>September 22-26</i>	Approaches to World Politics. Theoretical Basis		Chapter 2, 3		
<i>Week 2</i>	Readings:				
<i>September 29-October 3</i>	Chapter 4, 6 Power and Actors				
<i>Week 3</i>	Essay #1 Due				
<i>October 6-10</i>	Readings: Chapter 8 Distribution of Values				
<i>Week 4</i>	<i>Readings:</i> Chapter 9				
<i>October 13-17</i>	Non-tangible powers				
<i>Week 5</i>	<i>Readings:</i> Chapter 7		<i>Essay #2 Due</i>		
<i>October 20-24</i>	Other Actors				

<i>Week 6</i>	Chapter 5		<i>Midterm</i>		
<i>October 27-31</i>	Crises				
<i>Week 7</i>	<i>Readings:</i> Chapter 12, 13				
<i>November 1-7</i>	The Politics of Money and Development				
<i>Week 8</i>	<i>Readings:</i> Chapter 10, 11				
<i>November 10-14</i>	Violence and Justice				
<i>Week 9</i>					
<i>November 17-21</i>					
<i>Week 10</i>	Simulation Begins				
<i>November 24-28</i>	<i>Readings:</i> Chapter 14				
	Other Considerations				
<i>Week 11</i>	Future Considerations		Essay #3 Due		
<i>December 1-5</i>					
<i>Week 12</i>	<i>Finals</i>	<i>Finals</i>	<i>Finals</i>		
<i>December 10-12</i>					

This schedule is for your convenience only. This schedule is subject to change at the instructors' discretion at any time in the quarter.

The Final: The final is not cumulative in the traditional sense. I will not ask questions from the first half of the course on the final. However, some concepts are relevant to all portions of the course and you are welcome to bring those concepts in to the final. You are not required to and a perfect score does not require information directly from the first part of the course. I do award extra points for exceptional work or for creativity. Answer every question to the best of your ability. I definitely award points for humor.

Welcome to the course and Enjoy!