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PEACE, WAR, AND SECURITY

COURSE INFORMATION:

Course:

PS F203 Peace, War, and Security

Credits:

Schedule of Classes:

Thursday, September 4 – Thursday, December 11, 2014

Finals Week:

Monday, December 15 – Thursday, December 18, 2014

Day / Time:

Thursday, 5:20 – 8:20 P.M.

Class Location:

401 Gruening Building

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION:

Instructor: E-Mail:

Dr. Brandon Boylan bmboylan@alaska.edu

Office Hours:

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 10:30 – 11:30 A.M., and by appointment

Office Location:

603A Gruening Building

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course combines lectures, discussions, and other pedagogical techniques to introduce students to the international relations sub-discipline of international security. It reviews the dominant theoretical approaches and relevant concepts and contexts in the field of international security, the U.S. and multinational roles in maintaining global security, and a range of threats to peace, such as nuclear weapons, insurgency, terrorism, civil war, ethnic conflict, genocide, and transnational crime and arms trading. Key questions for the course include: What is international security? In what ways can we think about and organize for security and peace? How does the US influence security? What are the major threats to international security, and what can be done about them? By the end of the course, students should gain a comprehensive understanding of the world's most pressing challenges and what might be done about them.

COURSE POLICIES

Academic Honesty

You are expected to adhere to the provisions of the "Student Code of Conduct" as outlined in the 2013-2014 UAF catalog, available at www.uaf.edu/catalog/current/academics/regs3.html. In particular, academic dishonesty will not be tolerated and will lead to (at a minimum) an F for the course. This includes plagiarism, cheating, collusion, or fabrication. Please talk to me if you are unsure about whether or not your approach constitutes academic dishonesty.

Use of Electronics

Use of cell phones is strictly prohibited during class. Failure to comply with this policy will lower your reading, preparation, and participation grade (see below). Laptop computers may be used for note-taking purposes only. If you are caught browsing the web, checking e-mail, etc., you will be asked to put your laptop away and your reading, preparation, and participation grade will be lowered.

Campus Resources

You are strongly encouraged to take advantage of the many resources available at UAF to help you succeed in this course. These services include:

The Writing Center

801 Gruening Building (907) 474-5314 fywrc@uaf.edu http://www.uaf.edu/english/writing-center/

The Speaking Center

507 Gruening Building (907) 474-5470 fyspeak@gmail.com http://www.uaf.edu/speak/

> Student Support Services

512 Gruening Building (907) 474-6844 trio.sss@alaska.edu http://www.uaf.edu/sss/

➤ The Office of Disability Services

208 Whitaker Building (907) 474-5655 uaf-disabilityservices@alaska.edu http://www.uaf.edu/disability/

COURSE MATERIALS

Required Textbook

• Paul D. Williams, Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed. (London: Routledge, 2012).

Blackboard

• All supplemental materials are posted on BlackBoard.

GRADING SCALE

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B+	*****	88-89	C-	****	70-72
В		83-87	D	****	60-69
B-	*****	80-82	F	****	≤ 59

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

Reading, Preparation, and Participation (60 points)

You must come to class prepared to contribute to discussions and talk about assigned readings. The effectiveness of the course is determined largely by how well you engage the reading

material, assess key concepts, and participate. Your participation grade will be calculated by how much and how well you contribute to class discussions. The use of cell phones and other electronic devices (apart from laptops for note-taking purposes) during class is prohibited and will lower your reading, preparation, and participation grade.

Current events assignment

As part of your reading, preparation, and participation grade, each week you will report
on a current event pertaining to international security that relates to the week's theme.
Be sure to put the event in the context of what we are learning that week. Your
discussion should be brief (under five minutes).

Prompt Responses (120 points)

At each class, I will give you a prompt related to the following week's topic and readings. Your response to this prompt must be at least 500 words and written in a Word document. Your overall grade will be calculated by how well you respond. Responses are due by the start of class on the following week. You will lose 10% of your grade for each day the prompt response is late, including weekends and holidays.

Argument-Based Research Paper and Presentation (150 points)

You will write a research paper on any topic related to international security and present it midway through the semester. In the paper, you will need to address the following questions:

- 1) What is your topic?
- 2) Why is it important?
- 3) What is your argument? (Your essay must make an argument and not be entirely descriptive.)
- 4) What evidence do you have to support your argument?

Your essay must

- 1) include a cover page with your name, the course title, your paper title, and the date
- 2) be at least 10 double-spaced pages in length (not including the cover page and bibliography)
- 3) have 1-inch margins on all sides
- 4) be typed in Times New Roman, 12-point font
- 5) include numbered, descriptive headings
- 6) include page numbers, centered at the bottom of the page
- 7) include a bibliography

You must submit a hard copy of the paper to me and present your paper to the class on Thursday, October 23. You must also e-mail me a copy at some point during the day. You will lose 10% of your grade for each day the paper is late, including weekends and holidays.

Final Exam (150 points)

The final exam is a comprehensive take-home exam in essay format. You will have one week to complete it. I will distribute it (with detailed instructions) on the last day of class, Thursday, December 11, and it will be due via e-mail on Thursday, December 18, by 11:59 P.M. Expect a confirmation e-mail. The exam will cover topics from class, so the readings, lectures, and your notes will be an invaluable resource to help you complete the final. Late finals will not be accepted.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

Week 1: Thursday, September 4

Topic: Introduction to course and to field of security studies

Readings: N/A

Week 2: Thursday, September 11

Topic: Overview of theoretical approaches to security studies

Readings:

- Jack Snyder, "One World, Rival Theories," Foreign Policy No. 145 (2004), 52-62.
- Colin Elman and Michael Jensen, "Realisms," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 15-31.
- Cornelia Navari, "Liberalisms," in *Security Studies: An Introduction*, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 32-47.
- Matt McDonald, "Constructivisms," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 63-76.

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 3: Thursday, September 18

Topic: Key concepts in security studies

Readings:

- Ken Booth and Nicholas J. Wheeler, "Uncertainty," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 137-154.
- Barry Buzan, "Polarity," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 155-169.
- Lawrence Freedman and Srinath Raghavan, "Coercion," in *Security Studies: An Introduction*, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 206-220.

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 4: Thursday, September 25

Topic: Transition from Cold War to Post-Cold War Eras

Readings:

- Charles Krauthammer, "The Unipolar Moment," Foreign Affairs 70, no. 1 (1990-1991), 23-33.
- Francis Fukuyama, "The End of History?" The National Interest. (1989), 1-18
- Samuel P. Huntington, "The Clash of Civilizations?" Foreign Affairs 72, no. 3 (1993): 22-49

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 5: Thursday, October 2

Topic: U.S. grand strategy, the U.S. military, and global security

Readings:

- Barry R. Posen and Andrew L. Ross, "Competing Visions for U.S. Grand Strategy," *International Security* 21, no. 3 (Winter 1996/97), 5-53.
- The White House and U.S. Department of Defense, Sustaining U.S. Global Leadership: Priorities for 21st Century Defense (January 2012), 1-8.

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 6: Thursday, October 9

Topic: U.S. intelligence community and global security

Readings:

- Mark M. Lowenthal, "Chapter 2: The Development of U.S. Intelligence," Intelligence: From Secrets to Policy, 3rd ed. (Washington, D.C.: CQ Press, 2006), 11-29.
- Amy B. Zegart, "September 11 and the Adaptation Failure of U.S. Intelligence Agencies," *International Security* 29, no. 4 (2005), 78-111.

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 7: Thursday, October 16

Topic: International alliances and global security

Readings:

- John S. Duffield, "Alliances," in *Security Studies: An Introduction*, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 339-354.
- Stanley R. Sloan, "Chapter 9: NATO in Afghanistan," in Permanent Alliance? NATO and the Transatlantic Bargain from Truman to Obama (New York: Continuum, 2010), 187-211.
- Thomas G. Weiss and Danielle Zach, "The United Nations," in *Security Studies: An Introduction*, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 374-392.

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 8: Thursday, October 23

Topic: N/A

Readings: N/A

Due: Research paper and presentation

Week 9: Thursday, October 30

Topic: Nuclear weapons and other WMD

Readings:

- Waheguru Pal Singh Sidhu, "The Nuclear Disarmament and Non-proliferation Regime," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 409-424.
- Kenneth N. Waltz, "Chapter 1: More May Be Better," The Spread of Nuclear Weapons: A Debate Renewed, 2nd ed. (New York: W.W. Norton & Company, Inc., 2003), 3-45.
- Scott D. Sagan, "Chapter 2: More Will Be Worse," The Spread of Nuclear Weapons: A Debate Renewed, 2nd ed. (New York: W.W. Norton & Company, Inc., 2003), 46-87.

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 10: Thursday, November 6

Topic: Terrorism and counterterrorism

Readings:

- Paul Rogers, "Terrorism," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 221-234.
- Max Abrahms, "What Terrorists Really Want: Terrorist Motives and Counterterrorism Strategy," *International Security* 32, no. 4 (2008), 78-105.
- Paul R. Pillar, "Counterterrorism," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 457-470.

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 11: Thursday, November 13

Topic: Ethnic and internal conflict

Readings:

- Stuart J. Kaufman, "Ethnic Conflict," in *Security Studies: An Introduction*, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 264-278.
- Barry Posen, "The Security Dilemma and Ethnic Conflict," Survival 35, no. 1 (Spring 1993), 27-47.
- Michael E. Brown, "Chapter 17: The Causes and Regional Dimensions of Internal Conflict," in *The International Dimensions of Internal Conflict*, ed. Michael E. Brown (Cambridge: MIT Press, 1996), 571-601.

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 12: Thursday, November 20

Topic: Genocide, crimes against humanity, and "Responsibility to Protect"

Readings:

- Adam Jones, "Genocide and Crimes against Humanity," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 250-263.
- Alan J. Kuperman, "Rwanda in Retrospect," Foreign Affairs 79, no. 1 (2000), 94-118.

• Alex J. Bellamy, "The Responsibility to Protect," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 486-502.

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 13: Thursday, November 27

*No class (Thanksgiving)

Week 14: Thursday, December 4

Topic: Transnational organized crime and the global arms trade

Readings:

- Phil Williams, "Transnational Organized Crime," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 503-519.
- Beatriz Acevedo, with Dave Bewley-Taylor and Coletta Youngers, "Ten Years of Plan Colombia: An Analytic Assessment," Briefing Paper 16, Beckley Foundation Drug Policy Programme, (September 2008), 1-13.
- William D. Hartung, "The International Arms Trade," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 441-456.

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 15: Thursday, December 11

Topic: China, energy, and environmental security

Readings:

- Minxin Pei, "How China and America See Each Other: And Why They Are on a Collision Course," Foreign Affairs 93, no. 2 (2014), 143-147.
- Michael T. Klare, "Energy Security," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 535-551.
- Simon Dalby, "Climate Change and Environmental Security," in Security Studies: An Introduction, 2nd ed., ed. Paul D. Williams (London: Routledge, 2012), 311-323.

Due: Current event presentation and prompt response

Week 16: Thursday, December 18

Topic: N/A

Readings: N/A

Due: Final exam (via e-mail to me by 11:59 P.M.)

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