

## ISSUES IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

Programme	B. A. Political Science Honours				
Course Code	<b>POL3MN203</b>				
Course Title	Issues in International Politics				
Type of Course	<b>Minor</b>				
Semester	III				
Academic Level	200-299				
Course Details	Credit	Lecture per week	Tutorial per week	Practical per week	Total Hours
	4	4	-	-	60
Pre-requisites	Fundamental ability to read and understand academic articles and books with critical knowledge				
Course Summary	The course aims to familiarise students with the main issues and concerns of the contemporary international order. It discusses a range of themes in international politics to develop critical insights into pertinent political questions of the contemporary world.				

### Course Outcomes (CO):

CO	CO Statement	Cognitive Level*	Knowledge Category#	Evaluation Tools used
CO1	Students should gain a comprehensive understanding of key theories in international politics, such as realism, liberalism, constructivism, and others. This includes the ability to analyze and critique these theories in the context of contemporary global issues.	U	F	Instructor-created exams / Quiz
CO2	Develop critical thinking skills to assess and evaluate complex international political issues. This involves the ability to analyze multiple perspectives, consider the implications of various policy options, and identify the underlying assumptions of different approaches.	An	C	Instructor-created exams / Quiz
CO3	Enhance skills to gather and analyze information related to international political issues. This includes proficiency in using academic sources, databases, and primary documents to support arguments and analyses.	E	C	Instructor-created exams / Home Assignments

CO4	Foster an awareness of global issues, challenges, and trends. Students should develop an understanding of the interconnected nature of international politics and appreciate the complexities of global governance.	C	K	Assignment / Observation of Practical Knowledge
CO5	Explore the ethical dimensions of international political issues, including human rights, justice, and the responsibilities of states and international actors. Encourage students to reflect on the moral implications of various policy choices.	E	K	Seminar Presentation / Group Tutorial Work
CO6	Encourage an interdisciplinary approach to understanding international politics by integrating insights from history, economics, sociology, and other relevant fields.	An	P	One Minute Reflection Writing assignments
<p>* - Remember (R), Understand (U), Apply (Ap), Analyse (An), Evaluate (E), Create (C)  # - Factual Knowledge(F) Conceptual Knowledge (C) Procedural Knowledge (P) Metacognitive Knowledge (M)</p>				

#### Detailed Syllabus:

Module	Unit	Content	Hrs (48 +12 )	Marks (70)
<b>I</b>	<b>POST-COLD WAR INTERNATIONAL POLITICS</b>		<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>
	1	Nature of contemporary international system	4	
	2	End of Ideology and Clash of Civilizations Debate	4	
	3	Rise of Multipolarity	4	
	<b>Sections from References:</b> Huntington, S. P. (1996). The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order. New York: Simon & Schuster. Fukuyama, F. (1992). The End of History and the Last Man. New York: Free Press. Waltz, K. N. (1979). Theory of International Politics. Reading, MA: Addison-Wesley. Zakaria, F. (2008). The Post-American World. New York: W. W. Norton & Company. Mearsheimer, J. J. (2001). The Tragedy of Great Power Politics. New York: W. W. Norton & Company. Kagan, R. (2003). Paradise and Power: America and Europe in the New World Order. New York: Vintage Books. Wendt, A. (1999). Social Theory of International Politics. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. Nye, J. S. (1990). Bound to Lead: The Changing Nature of			

	American Power. New York: Basic Books. Zakaria, F. (2003). The Future of Freedom: Illiberal Democracy at Home and Abroad. New York: W. W. Norton & Company. Gilpin, R. (1981). War and Change in World Politics. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.		
<b>II</b>	<b>DISARMAMENT AND HUMAN SECURITY PERSPECTIVE</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>20</b>
	4 Disarmament and Arms Control	2	
	5 Weapons of Mass destruction	2	
	6 NPT	2	
	7 CTBT	2	
	8 Peacekeeping and UN	2	
	9 Human Security and Peace	2	
	<b>Sections from References:</b> Jervis, R. (1988). The Meaning of the Nuclear Revolution. Political Science Quarterly, 103(3), 459-481. Waltz, K. N. (2001). Man, the State, and War: A Theoretical Analysis. New York: Columbia University Press. Sagan, S. D. (1993). The Limits of Safety: Organizations, Accidents, and Nuclear Weapons. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. United Nations. (1970). Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT). New York: United Nations. Zartman, I. W. (Ed.). (1995). Collapsed States: The Disintegration and Restoration of Legitimate Authority. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers. Ferguson, C. D. (1999). High Stakes, No Prisoners: A Winner's Tale of Greed and Glory in the Internet Wars. New York: Random House. International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN). (2017). The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons: A New Path to Nuclear Disarmament. Geneva: ICAN. United Nations. (2020). United Nations Department of Peace Operations. New York: United Nations. Slaughter, A.-M. (2005). A New World Order. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. Buzan, B., Wæver, O., & de Wilde, J. (1998). Security: A New Framework for Analysis. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers.		
<b>III</b>	<b>INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AND NON-STATE ACTORS</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>
	7 Cyber Security and Energy Security Issues	4	
	8 Multinational corporations (MNCS), Transnational Corporations (TNCS)	4	
	9 Track II Diplomacy: Transnational Non-Governmental Organizations and Social Movements.	4	
	<b>Sections from References:</b> Dunning, J. H. (1993). Multinational Enterprises and the Global Economy. Wokingham: Addison-Wesley. Helleiner, E. (2014). The Status Quo Crisis: Global Financial		

	<p>Governance After the 2008 Meltdown. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Hirst, P., &amp; Thompson, G. (1999). Globalization in Question: The International Economy and the Possibilities of Governance. Cambridge: Polity Press.</p> <p>Keck, M. E., &amp; Sikkink, K. (1998). Activists Beyond Borders: Advocacy Networks in International Politics. Ithaca: Cornell University Press.</p> <p>Kolk, A. (2016). Multinationals and Corporate Social Responsibility: Limitations and Opportunities in International Law. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Risse-Kappen, T. (1995). Bringing Transnational Relations Back In: Non-State Actors, Domestic Structures, and International Institutions. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Rugman, A. M., &amp; Verbeke, A. (1992). A Note on the Transnational Solution and the Transaction Cost Theory of Multinational Strategic Management. Journal of International Business Studies, 23(4), 761–771.</p> <p>Strange, S. (1996). The Retreat of the State: The Diffusion of Power in the World Economy. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Woods, N. (2006). The Globalizers: The IMF, the World Bank, and Their Borrowers. Ithaca: Cornell University Press.</p>		
<b>IV</b>	<b>CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN GLOBAL POLITICS</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>20</b>
	10 Globalization: Meaning, dimensions and impact	3	
	11 International Terrorism	3	
	12 Environmental Issues: Climatic change, Global warming	3	
	13 Refugees and Migration	3	
	<p><b>Sections from References:</b></p> <p>Keohane, R. O., &amp; Nye Jr., J. S. (2000). Globalization: What's New? What's Not? (And So What?). Foreign Policy, 118(Spring), 104-119. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.</p> <p>Hoffman, B. (2006). Inside Terrorism. New York, NY: Columbia University Press.</p> <p>Houghton, J. (2016). Global Warming: The Complete Briefing. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Lovelock, J. (2006). The Revenge of Gaia: Earth's Climate Crisis and the Fate of Humanity. New York, NY: Basic Books.</p> <p>Castles, S., &amp; Miller, M. J. (2009). The Age of Migration: International Population Movements in the Modern World. Basingstoke, UK: Palgrave Macmillan.</p>		
<b>V</b>	<b>Open Ended Module</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>
	1 <b>Case studies: Real-World Issues Open-Ended Discussions Group Assignment</b>		
	Sections from References:		
	<p><b>Books and References:</b></p> <p>Waltz, K. N. (1979). Theory of International Politics. New York: McGraw-Hill.</p> <p>Keohane, R. O., &amp; Nye, J. S. (1977). Power and Interdependence: World Politics in Transition. Boston: Little, Brown.</p>		

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Palmer, M., & Perkins, P. (2002). *International Relations* (Revised Indian edition). New Delhi: A.I.T.B.S Publisher's.

Jackson, R., & Sorensen, G. (2008). *Introduction to International Relations, Theories and Approaches* (3rd edition). New York: Oxford University Press.

Gopakumar, G. (Ed.). (2011). *Federalism, Foreign Policy and International Treaties*. New Delhi: New Century Publications.

Saxena, K. P. (2003). *Reforming the United Nations, The Challenges and Relevance*. New Delhi: Sage.

Steger, M. M. (2009). *Globalization: A Very Short Introduction*. Pondichery: Oxford University Press.

**Note:** The course is divided into five modules, with four modules together having total 13 fixed units and one open-ended module with a variable number of units. There are total 48 instructional hours for the fixed modules and 12 hours for the open-ended one. Internal assessments (30 marks) are split between the open-ended module (10 marks) and the fixed modules (20 marks). The final exam, however, covers only the 22 units from the fixed modules. The 70 marks shown in the last column, distributed over the first four modules, is only for the external examination.

**Mapping of COs with PSOs and POs :**

	PSO1	PSO2	PSO3	PSO4	PSO5	PSO6	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6
CO 1	1	-	-	-	-	-						
CO 2	2	3	-	-	-	-						

CO 3	-	-	1	-	-	-						
CO 4	-	-	2	3	-	-						
CO 5	-	1	-	-	-	-						
CO 6	-	-	-	3	-	-						

**Correlation Levels:**

Level	Correlation
-	Nil
1	Slightly / Low
2	Moderate / Medium
3	Substantial / High

**Assessment Rubrics:**

- Quiz / Assignment/ Quiz/ Discussion / Seminar
- Midterm Exam
- Programming Assignments (20%)
- Final Exam (70%)

**Mapping of COs to Assessment Rubrics :**

	Internal Exam	Assignment	Project Evaluation	End Semester Examinations
CO 1	✓			✓
CO 2	✓			✓
CO 3	✓			✓
CO 4		✓		✓
CO 5		✓		✓
CO 6			✓	