Course program and reading list
Semester 1 Year 2023

School: Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy B.A

World Order in the Twenty-First Century

Lecturer:
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Course No.: 4868  Course Type: Lecture  Weekly Hours: 1  Credit: 1

Course Requirements: Final Paper  Group Code: 231486801  Language: English

Course Description

*World Order in the 21st Century* invites Argov students to take a “big picture, big history” perspective on the architecture of world order. This one-credit condensed course is animated by two main ideas: First, that we are now living through an era of profound transformation in world order. And second, that it is only by adopting a grand historical view of the evolution of world order that we can make sense of where we are today and where we might be going in the coming years and decades. The objective of the course is to expose students to the main ideas that shape our thinking in International Relations about world order, and to stimulate learning through open discussion and debate of these ideas. We will do that by weekly engagement with texts, classroom discussions, and the writing of a short individual commentary paper on assigned texts.

Course Goals

The overarching goal of the course is to help Argov students develop critical, historically informed thinking about the evolution of international order. The course aims to equip
students with key concepts and ideas about world ordering, to stimulate learning through open discussion and debate of these ideas, and to develop writing and presentation skills.

Grading

30% attendance, participation, and presentation of assigned text.

70% individual reflection paper on assigned text (4 double space paper).

Learning Outcomes

Familiarity with key concepts pertaining to political order and international order. Enhanced historical understanding of international relations. Critical analysis of scholarly and policy texts. Group discussion, individual presentation and writing skills.

Lecturer Office Hours

By appointment

Tutor Office Hours

By appointment

Teaching Assistant

N/A

Reading List

All required readings posted on course Moodle site. All/most readings posted at the start of the semester.

Supplementary (not required) materials may be added during the course.