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Institute of European, Russian and Eurasian Studies

EURR 1001 INTRODUCTION TO EUROPEAN AND RUSSIAN STUDIES

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Class schedule:

Tuesday 11.35-12.55 pm (Lecture) in-person or via zoom (see the course Brightspace or Carleton Central)
Thursday 11.35-12.55 pm (Seminar) in-person (group 1) or via zoom (group 2)

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Course format: Mix of In-Person and Online

Course Description

The Russian invasion of Ukraine, which began in 2022, has profoundly disrupted the international liberal order established after the collapse of the USSR in 1991. The war has claimed thousands of lives, left many missing, and caused over six million Ukrainians to flee to Europe, with nearly seven million more internally displaced within Ukraine. Now, two and a half years into the conflict, it stands as the largest military confrontation in post-war European history and a significant challenge to security and democratic development across the continent. *What lessons does the region's history offer about this war? What sparked the conflict, and can we clearly identify the roles of all parties involved? How long will it last, and how will it shape Europe's future and impact global economics and security?* These are the questions we will explore in the EURL 1001 course.

To build a strong foundation for understanding current issues, we begin by reflecting on the most significant events in Europe and Eurasia since the early 19th century. This course provides an interdisciplinary study of Eastern and Central Europe, Russia, and Central Asia, exploring the region's social, cultural, political, economic, and historical aspects. We will also examine the history of Eastern Europe in the 20th century and the postcolonial narratives that still shape daily life, domestic policies, and foreign doctrines in the region.

The course will begin by reflecting the larger questions of how we define the region and why the postcolonial approach will help us understand the contemporary dynamics of the region's politics (Europe, Russia, Eurasia). The current war accelerated and highlighted some of the existing challenges in the area of European regional studies, which are largely informed by the methodological frame of Post-Soviet and Post-Socialist Studies, established during the perestroika and right after the collapse of the USSR. The adaptation of a post-colonial methodological lens will help us to better understand the current crisis. While regionally focused, this course will also consider the ways in which the histories and current politics of the countries in this region are deeply interconnected and embedded in broader global processes. This course includes a special section to analyze recent conflict development and discuss the outlying perspectives for European security.

This is a 0.5-credit course that will be delivered in person and online through Brightspace. Each week students will be asked to complete *one module*. It will be up to each student to manage their own weekly schedules for when they will view the online material, participate in lectures (in person or online), do the assigned readings, participate in an online discussion (seminars), complete weekly quizzes, and work on the other assignments.

Course format

Blended, includes weekly **Mix of In-Person and Online** lectures and seminars and **asynchronous weekly modules (quizzes, readings and videos)**.

Lectures will be run as Mix of In-Person and Online (in person and over zoom, depending on the personal preferences of the student) and group discussions will be run as synchronous zoom seminar meetings. These meetings aim to provide the core information on course development, improve communication with the students, and introduce the concepts, facts and interpretations of focal events of the history of the region.

Each week students will be asked to complete one module. Week related module become available on Monday morning of scheduled week, and it includes, reading materials, video and quizzes. The materials of the Module will be accessible till the end of the term, however week related assignments, such as the week quiz MUST be performed by the Friday evenings (by 23.55 EST) of the related module.

The course is then divided into three parts:

The first section of the course will introduce students to key topics that have shaped the history, culture, and identities in the region. These include the legacy of empires, colonialism, revolution, nations and nation-building, war, totalitarianism, Nazism, and Stalinism.

In the second section of the course, we will turn to social, political, and economic issues including everyday life in the Cold War and the Collapse of Communism, transition to democracy, regional economic and political integration in Europe and Eurasia, ethnic conflicts and democratic development.

The third section of the course will focus on a set of regional issues that bring social, cultural, historical, political, and economic aspects together. The final two modules of the course will be dedicated to the analysis of The Russo-Ukrainian war and its impact on the region's future.

Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes:

- Upon successful completion of the course, you will be able to display knowledge of major issues and themes in the history, culture, society, politics of the region.
- You will also have gained insight into the values of an interdisciplinary approach in the study of the region.
- You will have practiced analyzing scholarly sources and engaging with arguments in the scholarly literature on particular themes and issues in the region.
- You will have learned to apply academic research skills and conventions (extracting information from the lectures, reworking the materials to present your opinion on the topic, finding materials using online library catalogues and databases, compiling bibliographies, taking notes on sources, formatting and citing literature properly, writing case-oriented reports).
- In online discussions, you will hone your oral skills and your ability to present arguments and opinions that are supported by evidence.

Required Readings: Required readings are listed for each theme covered in the course, there is no need to purchase course related book. All required materials are available online. Students are expected to read the required readings (both scholarly literature and primary documents) and watch the videos. These readings and videos will also form the basis of our discussions. All required readings are available at Brightspace page for the course and Ares.

Technological Requirements for the Course: All students must have regular access to a computer terminal with reliable internet access. They will be required to engage with lecture videos, movies, podcasts, upload papers written in a word processor and saved in a pdf format, download and view pdf files, successfully log in and navigate Brightspace, successfully log in and navigate their Carleton email accounts, generate typed responses to prompts on Brightspace, and navigate quizzes and other pages on Brightspace using the mouse or touchscreen functions. Students with special needs, financial or technological, who cannot fulfill these requirements should contact the instructor immediately.

Course Assignments and Grading Scheme:

Mandatory: all students must pass the **Accept the syllabus quiz, participation (Weekly quiz, 6 minimum), Summative test, and both components of Research Skills Assignments** to pass the course.

Type of assignment	Weight	Due date
Accept the syllabus (quiz format)	1%	Recommended date September 22, by 23.55 Deadline December 12, by 23.55
Weekly quiz (10 short quizzes)	3 or 4% each, 32% total	Fridays by 23:55 pm. Week: 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11.
Group presentation proposal	3%	Week 4, Sunday, September 29, 23.55
Class attendance and class participation weekly (12)	1% each, 12% total	Ongoing
Summative test	25%	November 28 (in-person, 90 min)
Group presentation	12%	Starts Week 6 (no presentations on week 12)
Final report (includes only individual part of your group presentation)	15%	December 12, by 23.55

Accept the Syllabus 1%. Please carefully read the course syllabus, if you have any questions, feel free to contact your instructor. This course required some specific skills, such as managing your time and course schedule, being familiar with Brightspace, working with online resources, and submitting your assignments on time. The course team (Instructor, Teaching Assistant and University Librarian) are always happy to help, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Group Presentation Proposal 3%. A brief document must outline the group presentation specifics (400-500 words). Topics for presentations and particular requirements of this assignment will be discussed during seminars 2, 3 and 4 with your instructor or TA.

The Weekly Quizzes 32% : They will be embedded in each Module (Module 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11), each quiz includes questions related to the ongoing week topic. They are designed to test your comprehension of the reading materials and will consist of multiple-choice questions and short essay questions. You have two (2) opportunities to take the quiz and whatever your highest earned grade on Fridays 23:55, it will be recorded as your quiz grade.

Deadlines for the weekly quizzes:

Week 2 – September 13, 23.55	Week 7 - October 18, 23.55
Week 3 – September 20, 23.55	Week 8 – November 01, 23.55
Week 4 – September 27, 23.55	Week 9 - November 08, 23.55
Week 5 – October 04, 23.55	Week 10 - November 15, 23.55
Week 6 - October 11, 23.55	Week 11 – November 22, 23.55

Course Summative Test can be taken in-person only, includes definitions and brief essay questions, **25%**. Details and grading rubrics for this assignment are posted on Brightspace in a separate pdf file. If you have any questions about any assignment, please contact the course instructor.

Weekly Group Discussions and Lectures Participation 12%. In the first few days of the course, Brightspace will assign you to a discussion group of about 40 people. You will be in this group for the length of the course. Your task in Module 2 is to introduce yourself to the other members of your group.

Group Presentation 12%.

Week six will mark the beginning of group presentations. Students will be asked to work in groups on study questions during a class. This type of course mark will include the following:

- a) participation in group work during the seminars,
- b) each student will participate in the oral summary of their group work. In the latter half of the class, students will make a group presentation (4-5 students per group depending on class size) to be decided on in consultation with the instructor and TA.
- c) the group work will be presented in class and will focus on one or more of the themes of the week module. The presentation will consist of an oral summary of approximately 45 minutes in length with a discussion to follow. Students will select a working group topic and a date for their presentation by the end of week four.

Research Skills Assignments:

Group Presentation Proposal 3% (around 500 words for the group) submission deadline - Sunday, September 29, 23:55.

You are required to submit a Group Research Proposal so that the instructor can approve your topic for your team presentation. Students who do not submit a proposal OR who want to switch their topics after the proposal has been handed in should contact the instructor ASAP in order to avoid an automatic F on their Group work.

The Individual Report 15 % (12-point font, Times New Roman, double spaced, student contributions between 1500 to 2000 words). A list of topics for the group presentation and following group reports from which students may choose will be posted on Brightspace at the beginning of the term. Advice on report design, planning the research process, and structuring the report paper will be given during the course seminars, via meeting with the course librarian and video materials.

Each student will complete an 8 -10 pages report, based on her/ his portion of the group presentation.

Students will write a specific and detailed report, based on what was presented during the seminar. This assignment will test the student's knowledge of fundamental study and research skills that will be introduced and discussed during the term. These include the identification of relevant academic and non-academic sources, the ability to summarize the main arguments of sources, citation rules, and the compilation of bibliographies.

The report is due December 12, 23.55. The final report will be evaluated according to the following criteria: the research question, soundness of the main thesis, use of evidence to support the thesis, coherence of arguments, how well it integrates individual students' contributions, engaging materials and sources, logical structure, style, grammar, spelling, and proper bibliographic citation. I encourage students to consult with me or the teaching assistant while preparing their reports during my office hours or by appointment. All reports will be submitted electronically as PDF files through Brightspace.

Feedback, comments, and grades will be provided via Brightspace Gradebook. Unless a medical or equivalent excuse is provided, late assignments will be penalized by two (2) percentage points per day (including weekends); assignments more than one week late will receive a mark of 0%. Unexcused failure to show up for an exam will result in a grade of 0% on the exam in question. Always retain for yourself a copy of all essays, term papers, written assignments or take-home tests submitted in your courses.

Academic Integrity: Academic integrity is a core value of the university and essential for creating a constructive environment for teaching, learning, and research. Students are responsible for being aware of the University's Academic Integrity Policy, understanding what constitutes academic dishonesty, and ensuring that all course assignments submitted for evaluation abide by University policy. Any suspected violations of the academic integrity policy will be referred to the Institute's Director and then to the appropriate Dean for further investigation. Students who are found to have violated the standards of academic integrity will be subject to sanctions.

An overview of the University's Academic Integrity Policy is available at: <https://carleton.ca/registrar/academic-integrity/>

Email Communication: Following university policy, the instructors will communicate by e-mail with students using their university e-mail addresses (i.e. cmail). If you have a different account that you check regularly, please set up your Carleton account to forward to that one, so that you do not miss any important course-related announcements. Normally, the instructor expects to reply to e-mail queries within 2 days during the working week. The instructor generally does not answer e-mail inquiries on evenings or weekends.

Carleton University acknowledges the location of its campus on the traditional, unceded and unsurrendered territories of the Algonquin nation. In doing so, Carleton acknowledges it has a responsibility to the Algonquin people and a responsibility to adhere to Algonquin cultural protocols.

Course Schedule and Reading List

Note: The instructor may make changes to the readings throughout the semester for pedagogical or practical reasons. Changes will be announced via email, Brightspace, or in class.

I. INTRODUCTION

Week 1. September 04-08. Introduction to the Course

This is our first meeting, during which you will be introduced to the teaching team: your course instructor, teaching assistant and course librarian. We will discuss the course specifics, methodology, assignments and, of course, we will review the most pressing topics in the region.

This week consists of an online part that will take approximately 2 hours to complete.

Introductory lecture and group discussion.

Time and location: Thursday, September 05, 11.35-12.55 pm.

In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- Accept the syllabus,
- To participate in a lecture,
- To review reading materials.

Reading materials:

Triandafyllidou, Anna, and Ruby Gropas. *What Is Europe?* Second edition. London, United Kingdom: Taylor & Francis, 2023. P 1-16.

Himka, J-P. 2015. 'The History behind the Regional Conflict in Ukraine,' *Kritika*, 16 (1): 129-136.

Further reading materials:

Koplatadze, Tamar. 2019. Theorising Russian postcolonial studies *Postcolonial Studies* Volume 22, 2019 - Issue 4, p 469-489

Week 2. September 09-15 What is Europe? Russia? Eurasia? Empires and colonies in the region

Lecture Tuesday, September 10, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

Group discussion Thursday, September 12, 11.35 am-12.55 pm. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace

This Module consists of an online lesson module that will take approximately 3,5 hours to complete.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To complete the weekly quiz,
- To participate in a lecture and seminar,
- To review reading materials.

Reading materials:

- Wolff, Larry. "Introduction." In *Inventing Eastern Europe: The Map of Civilization on the Mind of the Enlightenment*, Stanford: Stanford UP, 1994. Pp.1-16.
- Gleason, Abbott. "Eurasia: What Is It? Is It?" *Journal of Eurasian Studies* 1, no. 1 (January 2010): 26–32.

Further reading materials:

- Cook, Chris, and John Stevenson. *The Longman Handbook of Twentieth-Century Europe*. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge, 2014. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781315843568>.

Week 3. September 16 – 22. Revolutions and Totalitarianism

Lecture Tuesday, September 17, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

Group discussion Thursday, September 19, 11.35 am-12.55 pm. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace

This Module consists of an online part that will take approximately 3,5 hours to complete.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To complete weekly quiz,

- To participate in a lecture and seminar,
- To review reading and video materials.

Reading materials:

- Sanborn, Joshua. "The Russian Empire." In *Empires at War 1911-1923*, edited by Robert Gerwarth and Erez Manuela, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014, pp. 91-108.
- Motyl, A. J. 1999a. *Revolutions, Nations, Empires. Conceptual Limits on Theoretical Possibilities*. New York: Columbia University Press. Chapter 3.
- Jahn, Hubertus F. "Russia" in *Twisted Paths: Europe 1914-1945*, edited by Robert Gerwarth, 297-324.

Week 4. September 23 -September 29. Nazism, Stalinism and Political Violence

Lecture Tuesday, September 24, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

Group discussion Thursday, September 26, 11.35 am-12.55 pm. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace

This Module will take approximately 4 hours to complete.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To complete weekly quiz,
- To participate in a lecture and seminar,
- To review reading materials.
- To submit a group presentation proposal

Reading materials:

- Moeller, Robert G. "Introduction: Understanding Nazi Germany." In *The Nazi State and German Society. A Brief History with Documents*, pp.1-26.
- Snyder, Timothy. "Hitler vs. Stalin: Who Killed More?" *New York Review of Books*, March 10, 2011, <https://www.nybooks.com/articles/2011/03/10/hitler-vs-stalin-whokilled-more/>

Further reading materials:

- Schlögel, Karl. "The Butovo Shooting Range: Topography of the Great Terror" in Moscow 1937 (Cambridge: Polity, 2012), pp. 472-504.

Group presentation proposal - Deadline is September 29, 23.55.

II. SOCIAL, POLITICAL, AND ECONOMIC ISSUES IN THE SECOND PART OF THE XX CENTURY

Week 5. September 30- October 06. The Cold War and the Collapse of Communism

Lecture Tuesday, October 01, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

Group discussion Thursday, October 03, 11.35 am-12.55 pm. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace

This Module consists of an online lesson module that will take approximately 5 hours to complete.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To complete weekly quiz,
- To participate in a lecture and seminar,
- To review reading materials.

Reading materials:

- Slavenka Drakulic, "Once Upon a Time in 1989: How the West is Now Learning the Hard Lessons of the East," Eurozine, 4. August 2017, <https://www.eurozine.com/once-upon-a-time-in-1989/>
- "Rude Pravo, Central Committee Meeting," Making the History of 1989, Item #283, <http://chnm.gmu.edu/1989/items/show/283> (accessed August 27 2019, 10:37 pm).<http://chnm.gmu.edu/1989/exhibits/everyday-life/primary-sources/12>

Further reading materials:

- Kamoff-Nicolosky, G. *Soviet Military Doctrine and Strategy: the Evolution of Nuclear Doctrine*. Ottawa: Operational Research and Analysis Establishment, 1988.

Week 6. October 07- 13. After the Cold War: countries in transit

Lecture Tuesday, October 08, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

Group discussion Thursday, October 10, 11.35 am-12.55 pm. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace

This Module consists of an online part that will take approximately 4 hours to complete.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To complete weekly quiz,
- To participate in a lecture,
- To review reading materials.
- To participate in a group discussion, initiated by presenting team

Reading materials:

- Cox, Michael, ed. *Ukraine: Russia's War and the Future of the Global Order*. London: LSE Press, 2023. Ch. 6.
- Burawoy, Michael, Verdery, Katherine. *Uncertain Transition: Ethnographies of Change*. (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 1999): Chapter 5.

Further reading materials:

- Havrylyshyn, Oleh. "Fifteen Years of Transformation in the Post-Communist World. Rapid Reformers Outperformed Gradualists." *CATO Institute, center for global liberty and prosperity*. N4. 2007.
<https://www.cato.org/sites/cato.org/files/pubs/pdf/DPA4.pdf>
- Kemp, Walter A. *Nationalism and communism in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union: a basic contradiction?*, (Basingstoke, Macmillan 1999). pp.173-208.

Week 7. October 15-20. Ethnic Conflicts in the region of Eastern Europe and Eurasia. Collapse of Yugoslavia

Lecture Tuesday, October 15, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

Group discussion Thursday, October 17, 11.35 am-12.55 pm. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace

This Module consists of an online part that will take approximately 4 hours to complete.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To complete weekly quiz,

- To participate in a lecture,
- To review reading materials,
- To participate in a group discussion, initiated by presenting team.

Reading materials:

- Mansfield, E. D., Snyder J. "Democratization and the Danger of War" in eds. Michael E. Brown, et al. *Theories of War and Peace*. (Cambridge, Mass.: MIT Press 1998), pp. 257-291.
- Shale Horowitz. *From Ethnic Conflict to Stillborn Reform: The Former Soviet Union and Yugoslavia* (Texas A&M University Press, 2005), pp143-209.

Further reading materials:

- Koinova, Maria. *Ethnonationalist Conflict in Postcommunist States Varieties of Governance in Bulgaria, Macedonia, and Kosovo* 1st ed. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2013: Introduction: 1-28.

*** No Classes. October 21–October 25. Fall Break/Reading Week

Week 8. October 28–November 03 European Integration. The EU and Russia

Lecture Tuesday, October 29, 11.35 am–12.55 pm.

Group discussion Thursday, October 31, 11.35 am–12.55 pm. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

This Module consists of an online part that will take approximately 5 hours to complete.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To complete weekly quiz,
- To participate in a lecture,
- To review reading materials,
- To participate in a group discussion, initiated by presenting team.

Reading materials:

- Constantin Chira-Pascanut, "A Short History of the European Union: From Rome to Lisbon" in *European Union Governance and Policy Making: A Canadian Perspective*, ed. Emmanuel Brunet-Jailly, Achim Hurrelmann, and Amy Verdun. 21-40.
- Henderson, Ailsa, and Daniel Wincott. "After Brexit and Covid-19." *IPPR progressive review* 27, no. 3 (2020): 246-255.

Further reading materials:

- "The European Integration Story is a History of Overcoming Crises,' In Conversation with Historian Prof. Dr. Kiran Klaus Patel," Deutsche Bank Europe Matters, May 17, 2019, <https://www.db.com/specials/en/ghp/thoughtsoneurope-kiran-klaus-patel.htm>
- Simon Usherwood and John Linder, "The EU and the Rest of Europe" in *The European Union: A Very Short Introduction*. Fourth Edition. Oxford: Oxford UP, 2018, 109-120.
- Thomas Forsberg and Hiski Hankkala, "The 'Common Neighborhood' and Regional Cooperation," *The European Union and Russia* Palgrave 2016, 192-219

III. REGIONAL ISSUES IN XXI CENTURY

Week 9. November 04-10 Russia in XXI century

Lecture Tuesday November 05, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Group discussion Thursday, November 07, 11.35 am-12.55 pm. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To complete the weekly quiz,
- To participate in a lecture,
- To review reading materials,
- To participate in a group discussion, initiated by presenting team.

Reading materials:

- Putin, Vladimir. Speech to the Munich Conference on Security Policy, 10 Feb 2007. http://archive.kremlin.ru/eng/speeches/2007/02/10/0138_ty_pe82912type82914type82917type84779_118123.shtml
- Lukyanov, Fyodor, "Putin's Foreign Policy: The Quest to Restore Russia's Rightful Place" *Foreign Affairs* 95, no. 3 (2016): 30-37

Further reading materials:

- McGlynn, Jade. *Russia's War*. Cambridge, UK ; Polity Press, 2023.

Week 10. November 11-17. Central Asia and the Caucasus

Lecture Tuesday, November 12, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Group discussion Thursday, November 14, 11.35 am-12.55 pm

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

This Module consists of an online lessons module that will take approximately 4,5 hours to complete.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To complete the weekly quiz,
- To participate in a lecture,
- To review reading and video materials,
- To participate in a group discussion, initiated by presenting team.

Reading materials:

- Khan, Kashif Hasan, and Anja Mihr. *Europe-Central Asia Relations: New Connectivity Frameworks*. 1st ed. 2023. Singapore: Springer Nature Singapore, 2023. <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-19-8707-6>. Chapter 12
- Pantucci, Raffaello. "China in Central Asia: The First Strand of the Silk Road Economic Belt" *Asian Affairs* 50, no. 2 (2019): 202-215

Further reading materials:

- Yavuz, M. Hakan, and Michael M Gunter. *The Karabakh Conflict between Armenia and Azerbaijan: Causes & Consequences*. Cham, Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan, 2023. Chapter 2.
- Geukjian, Ohannes. *Ethnicity, nationalism and conflict in the south Caucasus: Nagorno-Karabakh and the legacy of soviet nationalities policy*. (Burlington, VT: Ashgate) 2012. Chapter 4,5.

Week 11. November 18- 24. Independent Ukraine: nation-building and European perspectives

Lecture Tuesday, November 19, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Group discussion Thursday, November 21, 11.35 am-12.55 pm

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

This Module consists of an online part that will take approximately 6 hours to complete.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To participate in a lecture and class discussion,
- To review reading and video materials,
- To complete course summative test.

Reading materials:

- Yekelchuk, Serhy. "The Ukrainian Crisis: In Russia's Long Shadow." *Origins: Current Events in Historical Perspective* 7, no. 9 (2014), <https://origins.osu.edu/article/ukrainian-crisis-russias-long-shadow>.
- Haukkala, Hiski. "A Perfect Storm: What Went Wrong and What Went Right for the EU in Ukraine." *Europe-Asia Studies*, 68, no. 4 (2016): 653-664.
- Andrii Portnov, "Lost in Transition? Ukraine and Europe since 1989." *Eurozine*, January 23, 2018. <https://www.eurozine.com/lost-in-transition-ukraine-and-europesince-1989/>.

Week 12. November 25- December 01. Russian war of aggression against Ukraine

Lecture Tuesday, November 26, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

Course summative test. Thursday, November 28, 1.05-2.25 pm. In-person. In-person

This Module consists of an online part that will take approximately 5,5 hours to complete.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To complete the weekly quiz,
- To participate in a lecture,
- To review reading and video materials,
- To participate in a group discussion, initiated by presenting team.

Reading materials:

- Cox, Michael, ed. *Ukraine: Russia's War and the Future of the Global Order*. London: LSE Press, 2023. <https://library.oapen.org/bitstream/handle/20.500.12657/86058/ukraine.pdf?sequence=8>. Chapter 1, 2.

Further reading and video materials:

- Portela, C. 2022. "Sanctions, Conflict and Democratic Backsliding: a User's Manual" 6, May 2022.
- Kostyuk, N., Brantly, A. 2022. War in the Borderland through Cyberspace: Limits of Defending Ukraine through Interstate Cooperation. *Contemporary security policy* 43, no. 3 (2022): 498–515.
- Singh, A. October 22, 2022. Scenarios in which the Ukraine war could end. The Guardian, <https://www.sundayguardianlive.com/news/scenarios-ukraine-war-end>
- Podcast: Neil Melvin. RUSI. Episode 38: Ukraine's Winter War. <https://rusi.org/podcasts/global-security-briefing/episode-38-ukraines-winter-war>

Week 13. December 02-08. European security and the perspectives of the conflict

Lecture Tuesday, December 03, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Group discussion Thursday, December 05, 11.35 am-12.55 pm.

Location: In-person or via zoom. Link to zoom discussion and class location will be provided via Brightspace.

This Module consists of an online part that will take approximately 5,5 hours to complete.

Within the module, you will be asked to complete:

- To complete the weekly quiz,
- To participate in a lecture and seminar,
- To review reading and video materials,
- To work on your final report.

Reading materials:

- Institute for the study of war, ISW, <https://www.understandingwar.org/>
- The Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) is the world's oldest and the UK's leading defence and security think tank: <https://rusi.org/>
- Uppsala Conflict Data Program: <https://ucdp.uu.se/>

December 12. Deadline for Individual Report submission

Course Outline (Syllabus) Information on Academic Accommodations

PLAGIARISM

The University Academic Integrity Policy defines plagiarism as “*presenting, whether intentionally or not, the ideas, expression of ideas or work of others as one’s own.*” This includes reproducing or paraphrasing portions of someone else’s published or unpublished material, regardless of the source, and presenting these as one’s own without proper citation or reference to the original source. Examples of sources from which the ideas, expressions of ideas or works of others may be drawn from include but are not limited to: books, articles, papers, literary compositions and phrases, performance compositions, chemical compounds, artworks, laboratory reports, research results, calculations and the results of calculations, diagrams, constructions, computer reports, computer code/software, material on the internet and/or conversations.

Examples of plagiarism include, but are not limited to:

- any submission prepared in whole or in part, by someone else, including the unauthorized use of generative AI tools (e.g., ChatGPT);
- using ideas or direct, verbatim quotations, paraphrased material, algorithms, formulae, scientific or mathematical concepts, or ideas without appropriate acknowledgment in any academic assignment;
- using another’s data or research findings without appropriate acknowledgement;
- submitting a computer program developed in whole or in part by someone else, with or without modifications, as one’s own; and
- failing to acknowledge sources through the use of proper citations when using another’s work and/or failing to use quotations marks.
- re-using your own work from a different course/assignment.

Plagiarism is a serious offence that cannot be resolved directly by the course’s instructor. The Associate Dean of the Faculty conducts a rigorous investigation, including an interview with the student, when an instructor suspects a piece of work has been plagiarized. Penalties are not trivial. They can include a final grade of “F” for the course.

Use of Text Generative Artificial Intelligence (ie. ChatGPT, MagicSchool, Gemini, etc.)

Text Generative AI tools permitted with restrictions:

- to brainstorm ideas or outline an assignment;
- to summarize lectures or parts of readings for ease of study and use for own notes; or
- to check grammar, tone, etc. of draft assignments.

Any assignment written with the assistance of these tools **must be accompanied** by either a screenshot of or link to the entire output. Any use of text generative AI outside of these allowances will be considered an academic offence (see above).

Statement on Student Mental Health

As a University student you may experience a range of mental health challenges that significantly impact your academic success and overall well-being. If you need help, please speak to someone. There are numerous resources available both on- and off-campus to support you. Here is a list that may be helpful:

Emergency Resources (on and off campus): <https://carleton.ca/health/emergencies-and-crisis/emergency-numbers/>

Suicide Crisis Helpline: call or text 9-8-8, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

For immediate danger or urgent medical support: call 9-1-1

Carleton Resources:

- Mental Health and Wellbeing: <https://carleton.ca/wellness/>
- Health & Counselling Services: <https://carleton.ca/health/>
- Paul Menton Centre: <https://carleton.ca/pmc/>
- Academic Advising Centre (AAC): <https://carleton.ca/academicadvising/>
- Centre for Student Academic Support (CSAS): <https://carleton.ca/csas/>
- Equity & Inclusivity Communities: <https://carleton.ca/equity/>

Off Campus Resources:

- Distress Centre of Ottawa and Region: (613) 238-3311 or TEXT: 343-306-5550, <https://www.dcottawa.on.ca/>
- Mental Health Crisis Service: (613) 722-6914, 1-866-996-0991, <http://www.crisisline.ca/>
- Empower Me: 1-844-741-6389, <https://students.carleton.ca/services/empower-me-counselling-services/>
- Good2Talk: 1-866-925-5454, <https://good2talk.ca/>
- The Walk-In Counselling Clinic: <https://walkincounselling.com>

Requests for Academic Accommodations

Please include the following text, provided by Equity and Inclusive Communities, on all course outlines, and read it at the beginning of your first few classes to remind students. For details, see the [accommodations section](#) and the [Course Outline Information on Academic Accommodations](#).

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION

You may need special arrangements to meet your academic obligations during the term. For an accommodation request the processes are as follows:

Pregnancy obligation: write to me with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. For accommodation regarding a formally-scheduled final exam, you must complete the Pregnancy Accommodation Form ([click here](#)).

Religious obligation: write to me with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. For more details [click here](#).

Carleton is committed to providing academic accessibility for all individuals. You may need special arrangements to meet your academic obligations during the term. The accommodation request processes, including information about the Academic Consideration Policy for Students in Medical and Other Extenuating Circumstances, are outlined on the Academic Accommodations website (students.carleton.ca/course-outline)."

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities: The Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (PMC) provides services to students with Learning Disabilities (LD), psychiatric/mental health disabilities, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), chronic medical conditions, and impairments in mobility, hearing, and vision. If you have a disability requiring academic accommodations in this course, please contact PMC at 613-520-6608 or pmc@carleton.ca for a formal evaluation. If you are already registered with the PMC, contact your PMC coordinator to send me your Letter of Accommodation at the beginning of the term, and no later than two weeks before the first in-class scheduled test or exam requiring accommodation (if applicable). After requesting

accommodation from PMC, meet with me to ensure accommodation arrangements are made. Please consult the PMC website for the deadline to request accommodations for the formally-scheduled exam (if applicable).

Survivors of Sexual Violence

As a community, Carleton University is committed to maintaining a positive learning, working and living environment where sexual violence will not be tolerated, and where survivors are supported through academic accommodations as per Carleton's Sexual Violence Policy. For more information about the services available at the university and to obtain information about sexual violence and/or support, visit: <https://carleton.ca/equity/sexual-assault-support-services>

Accommodation for Student Activities

Carleton University recognizes the substantial benefits, both to the individual student and for the university, that result from a student participating in activities beyond the classroom experience. Reasonable accommodation will be provided to students who compete or perform at the national or international level. Write to me with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. <https://carleton.ca/senate/wp-content/uploads/Accommodation-for-Student-Activities-1.pdf>

Submission, Return and Grading of Term Work

Written assignments must be submitted directly to the instructor(s) via Brightspace, ***please be aware of regressive penalty for the late submission.***

Final submissions are intended solely for the purpose of evaluation and will not be returned. Final standing in courses will be shown by alphabetical grades. The system of grades used, with corresponding grade points is:

Percentage	Letter grade	12-point scale	Percentage	Letter grade	12-point scale
90-100	A+	12	67-69	C+	6
85-89	A	11	63-66	C	5
80-84	A-	10	60-62	C-	4
77-79	B+	9	57-59	D+	3
73-76	B	8	53-56	D	2
70-72	B-	7	50-52	D-	1

Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Faculty Dean. This means that grades submitted by an instructor may be subject to revision. No grades are final until they have been approved by the Dean.

Carleton E-mail Accounts: All email communication to students from the Institute of European, Russian and Eurasian Studies will be via official Carleton university e-mail accounts and/or Brightspace. As important course and University information is distributed this way, it is the student's responsibility to monitor their Carleton and Brightspace accounts. Official Course Outline: The course outline posted to the EURUS website is the official course outline.