# Carleton University Department of Sociology and Anthropology

# Sociology/Anthropology 3027A Political Science 3802A

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## **Globalisation and Human Rights**

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#### Office Hours:

All office hours will take place via Zoom. Please use this permanent link: <a href="https://carleton-ca.zoom.us/j/92012706986">https://carleton-ca.zoom.us/j/92012706986</a>

- Office hours will be held weekly on Tuesday at 9:00am-10:00am. Students will be admitted into Zoom office hours on a first come, first served basis. Please wait in the Zoom "waiting room" until it is your turn.
- Office hours may also be scheduled by appointment.
- It is strictly prohibited to record office hours.

**Method of Delivery:** Asynchronous online course delivery. There is no scheduled real-time or live component.

- Knowledge of the content of this syllabus is your responsibility, although this syllabus is subject to minor modification throughout the term at my discretion.
- It is your responsibility to check Brightspace regularly and to be aware of announcements posted to Brightspace.

#### **Pre-Requisites by Section:**

For SOCI 3027: SOCI 1001 and SOCI 1002, or SOCI 1003[1.0], or ANTH 1001, or ANTH 1002, and

third-year standing.

For ANTH 3027: 0.5 credit 2000-level ANTH, or SOCI 1001 and SOCI 1002, or SOCI 1003 [1.0],

or HUMR 1001 [1.0]

For PSCI 3802: Third-year standing and one of: GPOL 1500, SOCI 1010 [1.0], ANTH 1003[1.0], ANTH

1010[1.0], ISSC 1001[1.0], PSCI 2601, PSCI 2602, LAWS 2105, PHIL 2103 or

(ANTH 1001 and ANTH 1002), or (SOCI 1001 and SOCI 1002)

Precluded Courses: None.

## **Course Description and Objectives**

In the post-Cold War era, war has been characterised by human rights and humanitarian violations on a massive scale. This course examines how armed conflict has been shaped by global forces, focusing specifically on how illicit and licit global economies fuel or flourish in situations of organised political violence. Thus, despite the globalisation of the human right regime, globalisation also represents a central context for human rights catastrophes. Moreover, the course will examine how globalisation shapes the emergence of new political identities that may give rise to conflict. Yet, the globalisation of human rights discourse has also

prompted the rise of a formidable apparatus of strategies to address the atrocities associated with political violence. In particular, this course examines the reinvigoration of cosmopolitanism, while engaging the debate on universalism versus cultural relativism. The course draws on historical case studies in the immediate post-Cold War period to help inform our understanding of contemporary problems.

#### **Course Format**

**Lecture and accompanying content:** Pre-recorded lecture content will be posted no later than **Tuesday at 9:00am** in each relevant week of the course (see the schedule below). The first set of lecture material will be posted for Tuesday 14 September. Once the lecture material is posted to Brightspace, it will remain available there for the duration of the course. Lecture content may be accompanied by complementary activities and links to media (videos, audio, news items or other documents) for which students are responsible. Students are recommended to treat the online lecture similar to an in-person lecture: Read the slides and, while listening to the content, engage in active notetaking.

**Discussion Forums/Participation:** Students are required to participate in asynchronous discussion forums related to lectures 2 through 11, inclusive. "Asynchronous" means that your participation can take place at different times (as opposed to "real time" or "live" participation where everyone must participate at the same time). Since this is a large class, to participate in discussion forums, all students will be placed in a group of no more than 15 students. You will be assigned to a group randomly. As enrolment levels often change throughout a term, at my discretion, you may be moved to a different group to keep the groups of roughly equal size.

**Assigned readings:** Students are strongly advised to complete the readings for each lecture <u>before</u> engaging the lecture material and before participating in the discussion forums.

## **Course Readings**

Required readings: All of your required readings can be located through Ares library reserves.

# **Course Requirements and Methods of Evaluation**

#### Evaluation System

In accordance with the Carleton University Undergraduate Calendar Regulations, the letter grades assigned in this course will have the following percentage equivalents:

A+ = 90-100	B+ = 77-79	C+ = 67-69	D+ = 57-59
A = 85-89	B = 73-76	C = 63-66	D = 53-56
A - = 80-84	B - = 70-72	C - = 60-62	D - = 50-52
F = Below 50	WDN = Withdrawn from the course		DEF = Deferred

#### Course Grading Scheme

Item for Evaluation	Value	Deadline
Participation	25%	Lectures 2-11, inclusive
Analytic Journal	25%	see Brightspace
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