

EVALUATION

TA Discussion Group Participation: 10%

Mid-Term Exam: 30%. **To be held in class on October 22**

Final Paper: 30%. **Due in class on November 19**

Final Exam: 30 %. **During formal exam period, 9-22**

TA Discussion Groups: 10%

The TAs are your discussion group leaders. Attend all sessions and get to know your TAs to get the best out of your weekly meetings including making use of their office hours.

Students are required to attend and participate in discussion groups led by TAs. Absenteeism will result in a poor participation mark. Complete the required readings prior to each class. And, beyond merely showing up for seminars, it is important that all students take an active role in class discussions. Widely inclusive participation generates a diverse range of opinions and ideas, keeps the discussion lively, and prevents domination by one or two participants. Participation may include general discussion and/or more formal oral presentations.

Please note: For your record of attendance, each week, students will be required to write a short paragraph **in class**, (maximum: half a page) outlining the main argument or key points of the assigned readings for that day. TAs will collect these at the end of the class. **Please note to obtain this mark (1% per summary) you must write the summary in class.** We expect these to be thoughtful reflections on the readings (and not scrappy notes!). **TAs** will return your first set of summaries, with overall comments, two weeks after the first discussion group.

Mid-Term Examination: 30% (October 22). In class, i.e. the main lecture hall.

Questions for the mid-term examination will be drawn from all materials covered in the course up to the date of the exam, including lectures, textbook readings, and any visuals shown either in the main lecture or in your discussion groups. **The date for the exam is Friday October 22**

Final Paper: 30%

The list of topics will be placed on Web Ct and announced in class on Friday October 1.

This is a written research paper, typed in 12 font and double-spaced, and must be between 8 and 10 pages in length including references. Research papers should answer a specific question, *related to the weekly course themes* and make a clear argument, providing facts and evidence to back up statements. Papers should analyze, rather than describe, the issues and events being discussed.

The research paper must demonstrate that one has consulted a range of scholarly sources: a **minimum of eight published books, journals or sources identified on our library's Reference sites. Limit website references to an additional 2 entries.** The Sens and Stoetts text contain ample suggestions for course related research. Footnotes or endnotes should be used and they must be complete and accurate, inserted into the text of the paper as appropriate whenever one refers to someone else's idea, argument, or research. Any direct quotes must have citation signs. Check the Library's reference section for citation styles appropriate to political science, such as MLA or APA. ,

The final paper must be submitted to the TA, in class, on Friday, November 19.

Late Assignment Penalty:

Late papers will be penalized **1% per day** including weekends **after the due date, Friday, November 19**. Late papers will **not** be accepted after **December 6 the last official day of class**. Extensions will be granted **only** upon presentation of a medical note from a physician or a note from the Registrar's office regarding lateness or deferral.

N.B. It is important to hand in your paper in person to the TA or myself even if you are late. Please do not slide assignments under my office door. Use the Departmental Drop Box if you are unable to hand in your assignment during class and if you have notified us beforehand. In all cases KEEP A HARD COPY OF YOUR PAPER OR WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS. This is necessary in case of lost, misplaced, and stolen or other mishaps with your paper.

Please note that assignments sent via e-mail or fax will not be accepted.

Return of assignments

Your assignments, submitted **on time**, and your mid-term exam will be returned **2** weeks after dates specified unless otherwise indicated.

Final Exam: 30%

The questions for the final exam will be drawn from all materials covered in the course, including lectures, textbook readings, and visuals. The date for the exam is not yet fixed although it will be held during the University's scheduled final exam period, **December 9-22**.

All written assignments will be assessed on the following:

- Grasp (comprehension) of course issues.
- How effectively you state and develop your arguments.
- How well you organize and write your material.
- Choice and adequacy of sources.
- Complete and accurate scholarly reporting (reference notes and bibliographic format).
- Grammar and spelling; proofread your essay (don't trust the spellchecker!)

NOTE: All course requirements must be completed to receive a passing grade.

Final Grading: While the calculation of the final marks is based on the criteria shown under 'Evaluation' above, the following equivalents apply to all final grades at Carleton"

A+ = 90-100	B+ = 77-79	C+ = 67-69	D+ = 57-59	F = 0-49
A = 85-89	B = 73-76	C = 63-66	D = 53-56	
A- = 80-84	B- = 70-72	C- = 60-62	D- = 50-52	

Schedule of Course readings and discussions:

PART ONE. BACKGROUND AND FOUNDATIONS

WEEK 1: September 10 – Introduction to the Course

General introduction and administrative matters.

WEEK 2: September 17 – Global politics - Meanings and Theories

Required Readings

- Sens and Stoett

Chapter 1. Theoretical and conceptual foundations, pages 3-34

Discussion groups

WEEK 3: September 24– History

Required Readings

- Sens and Stoett

Chapter 2. War and Peace, pages 35-74

Chapter 3. Cold War and Foreign Policy, pages 75-101

Discussion groups

WEEK 4: October 1 – World Economy

Required Readings

- Sens and Stoett:

Chapter 4. Political Perspectives on the World Economy, pages 114-150

Chapter 8. Globalization, Marginalization and Regionalization in the World Economy, pages 285-319

Discussion groups

PART TWO. CURRENT THEMES

WEEK 5: October 8 – University Day. Undergrad classes suspended.

Required Readings

WEEK 6: October 15. Security

- Sens and Stoett

Chapter 6. International Security after the Cold War, pages 185-236

Discussion groups . Mid-term prep

WEEK 7: October 22 MID-TERM EXAMINATION

WEEK 8: October 29- Ecopolitics

Required Readings

- Sens and Stoett
Chapter 10. Ecopolitics: Crises and Change, pages 363- 397

Discussion groups

WEEK 9: November 5. Global Health

- Sens and Stoett
Chapter 11. Population Growth and Global Health, pages 398-430

Discussion groups

WEEK 10: November 12. Human Rights.

Required Readings

- Sens and Stoett
Chapter 5. International Institutions and Law, pages 151--181
Chapter 9. Human Rights and Human Security, pages 320-360

Discussion groups

WEEK 11: November 19 – Information and Communications

Paper due

Required Readings

- Sens and Stoett
Chapter 12. The Information Age, pages 431- 465

Discussion groups

WEEK 12: November 26 – Changing of the Guards

Discussion groups

Sens and Stoett Chapter 13. New Directions in Theory and Practice, pages 466-495

Discussion groups

WEEK 13. December 3 –General Review. What have we learned.

Required Readings

Review of Sens and Stoetts

Final Exam Prep

Discussion groups

Academic Accommodations

For students with Disabilities: Students with disabilities requiring academic accommodations in this course must register with the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (500 University Centre) for a formal evaluation of disability-related needs. Registered PMC students are required to contact the centre (613-520-6608) every term to ensure that the instructor receives your request for accommodation. After registering with the PMC, make an appointment to meet with the instructor in order to discuss your needs **at least two weeks before the first assignment is due or the first in-class test/midterm requiring accommodations**. If you require accommodation for your formally scheduled exam(s) in this course, please submit your request for accommodation to PMC by **November 15 2010 for December examinations and March 11 2011 for April examinations**.

For Religious Observance: Students requesting accommodation for religious observances should apply in writing to their instructor for alternate dates and/or means of satisfying academic requirements. Such requests should be made during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist, but no later than two weeks before the compulsory academic event. Accommodation is to be worked out directly and on an individual basis between the student and the instructor(s) involved. Instructors will make accommodations in a way that avoids academic disadvantage to the student. Instructors and students may contact an Equity Services Advisor for assistance (www.carleton.ca/equity).

For Pregnancy: Pregnant students requiring academic accommodations are encouraged to contact an Equity Advisor in Equity Services to complete a *letter of accommodation*. Then, make an appointment to discuss your needs with the instructor at least two weeks prior to the first academic event in which it is anticipated the accommodation will be required.

Plagiarism: The University Senate defines plagiarism as “presenting, whether intentional or not, the ideas, expression of ideas or work of others as one’s own.” This can include:

- 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;
- submitting a take-home examination, essay, laboratory report or other assignment written, in whole or in part, by someone else;
- using ideas or direct, verbatim quotations, or paraphrased material, concepts, or ideas without appropriate acknowledgment in any academic assignment;
- using another’s data or research findings;
- failing to acknowledge sources through the use of proper citations when using another’s works and/or failing to use quotation marks;
- handing in “substantially the same piece of work for academic credit more than once without prior written permission of the course instructor in which the submission occurs.

Plagiarism is a serious offence which cannot be resolved directly with the course’s instructor. The Associate Deans of the Faculty conduct 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 include a mark of zero for the plagiarized work or a final grade of “F” for the course.

Oral Examination: At the discretion of the instructor, students may be required to pass a brief oral examination on research papers and essays.

Submission and Return of Term Work: Papers must be handed directly to the instructor and will not be date-stamped in the departmental office. Late assignments may be submitted to the drop box in the corridor outside B640 Loeb. Assignments will be retrieved every business day at **4 p.m.**, stamped with that day’s date, and then distributed to the instructor. For essays not returned in class please attach a **stamped, self-addressed envelope** if you wish to have your assignment returned by mail. Please note that assignments sent via fax or email will not be accepted. Final exams are intended solely for the purpose of evaluation and will not be returned.

Grading: Assignments and exams will be graded with a percentage grade. To convert this to a letter grade or to the university 12-point system, please refer to the following table.

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

Approval of final grades: 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.

Course Requirements: Failure to write the final exam will result in a grade of ABS. FND (Failure No Deferred) is assigned when a student's performance is so poor during the term that they cannot pass the course even with 100% on the final examination. In such cases, instructors may use this notation on the Final Grade Report to indicate that a student has already failed the course due to inadequate term work and should not be permitted access to a deferral of the examination. Deferred final exams are available ONLY if the student is in good standing in the course.

Connect Email Accounts: All email communication to students from the Department of Political Science will be via Connect. Important course and University information is also distributed via the Connect email system. It is the student's responsibility to monitor their Connect account.

Carleton Political Science Society: The Carleton Political Science Society (CPSS) has made its mission to provide a social environment for politically inclined students and faculty. Holding social events, debates, and panel discussions, CPSS aims to involve all political science students in the after-hours academic life at Carleton University. Our mandate is to arrange social and academic activities in order to instill a sense of belonging within the Department and the larger University community. Members can benefit through numerous opportunities which will complement both academic and social life at Carleton University. To find out more, please email carletonpss@gmail.com, visit our website at poliscisociety.com, or come to our office in Loeb D688.

Official Course Outline: The course outline posted to the Political Science website is the official course outline.