

International Organization
POLI 4042 – 001/002
Spring 2015
5:00-7:50 W/10:30-11:20 MWF
116 Stubbs/220 Stubbs

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Objective: The course is designed to examine the origins, development, functions and problems of international organizations. We will inquire into the politics involved in the life of these entities, with special emphasis on the U.N. and the E.U. Other varieties of international organization: governmental and non-governmental, regional and issue-specific institutions will also be examined. At the end of the semester it is expected that the student should be able to identify, understand, analyze and assess the increasingly important role played by I.O.'s in the contemporary world.

Texts: The following books are required readings and available for purchase:

Karns & Mingst: International Organizations: The Politics and Processes of Global Governance 2nd Edition; Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2010

Clive Archer: International Organizations 4th Edition;
Routledge , 2015

Student Responsibilities: Attendance in ALL class sessions is required and active participation in class discussion is encouraged. Students should read on-going information concerning I.O.'s on a regular basis and be able to select an organization of your choice for your research paper assignment.

Exams, Papers, and Grades: There will be an early take-home exam, an in-class midterm and a take-home final. In addition, students will write a research paper (7-10 pp) and present findings later in the semester. In your choice for an organization, **DO NOT SELECT THE UN OR THE EU**, which serve as sources of most of our examples. Your final grade will be determined according to this formula:

Class Participation	10 pts (Daily)
Early Exam (take-home)	10 pts (Due Wed. Feb. 11)
Midterm (in-class)	20 pts (Wed. March 04)
Research Paper & Presentation	20+5 pts (Paper due April 20-29)
Final (take-home)	<u>35 pts</u> (Due Monday, May 06, NOON)
	100 pts

A: 100 - 88 B: 87.9 - 78 C: 77.9 - 68 D: 67.9 - 60 F: Below 60

Lecture Outline and Reading Assignments

Jan. 14 Jan. 14 - 24	Course Intro: Role, Types, Theories and Contemporary Condition Readings: Karns & Mingst, Part 1 & Part 2 Archer, Chap. 1, 2, 3
Jan. 21 Jan. 26 - 30	History and Development/Give Out Take Home exam Readings: Karns & Mingst, Part 2 Archer, Chap. 1
Jan. 27 Feb. 02 - 04	The Domestic Context/Membership Readings: Archer, Chap. 2
Feb. 11	Take Home Exam Due!
Feb. 11 Feb. 09 - 20	The Legal Framework/Institutions Readings: Archer, Chap. 4
Feb. 18 - 25 Feb. 22 - 30	Decision Making and Consensus Building Readings:
March 04	Midterm Exam (in class)
March 11 March 04 - 09	The Problem of Leadership and Finance Readings:
March 25 March 11 - 23	I.O.'s and the Quest for Peace and Security Readings: Karns & Mingst, Part 3, Chap. 8
April 01 March 25 - 31	I.O.'s and Economic Development Readings: Karns & Mingst, Part 3, Chap. 9
April 15 April 13 - 17	I.O.'s and Socio-Cultural Objectives Readings: Karns & Mingst, Part 3, Chap. 10, 11
April 22 - 29 April 20 - 29	Begin Presentations The Future/Visibility of I.O.'s Readings: Karns & Mingst, Part 4, Chap. 12 Archer, Chap. 5

April 22
April 24

Research Papers Due

April 22
April 24

Give Out Take-Home Final

Wed. May 06

Return Final Exam to 209 Stubbs Hall, by **NOON**