

Political Science 6420: Globalization and Security

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Time and Location:

Online

Course Description:

This course focuses on the relationship of globalization to security. In the course, we will discuss the many connections between globalization and security: the political economy of globalization and its impact on security, changes to the nature of conflict, and changes to the incentives for war. A particular focus will be given to the activities of international terrorist organizations.

Required Reading:

The readings come from a variety of journal articles and book chapters. The journal articles should be readily available from JSTOR or other online databases. Any book chapters or journal articles that are not available via these sources will be posted by me on the course's Blackboard page.

Course Requirements and Grading:

Participation:

Each student is expected to complete all required readings and *significantly contribute* to discussion each week. Since this is an online course, a lack of participation will appear as if you have not done the reading, or that you are absent altogether. Individuals that wrote discussion papers and questions should take a large role in directing and shaping discussion. If there is no discussion, I will direct it and alter grades accordingly. Participation (and not merely attendance) is essential for your success in this class. This comprises 30% of your grade.

Discussion Papers and Questions:

You will write 5 discussion papers (3 page maximum). Discussion papers should not be a simple recitation of what you have read. Instead, they should be a critical response to what you have just read. Approaches can include: 1.) criticisms and suggestions for improvement in the theory, methods, or conclusions of specific papers. 2.) extensions or research questions that come from the readings. 3.) theoretical or methodological inconsistencies between articles from the same week or from previous weeks. A document that may help (one that I used in grad school) will be posted to the Blackboard page.

Of course, this is not an exhaustive list of what you can write about. If you have any questions about what you wish to write about, please let me know. In addition, students will also provide three questions to be discussed by the class. The papers and questions should be sent via email (or posted to Blackboard) to the rest of the class and the instructor by (we will determine what day works for everyone). Students not writing for the week should still read and be ready to discuss the points and the questions raised in the discussion papers. We will determine who is writing for each week in the first class meeting. This comprises 30% of your grade. Late papers (the day/time agreed on above) will be penalized by a deduction of one letter grade per day late.

Some Approaches:

- What is the research question or the main thesis?
- What is the logic of the argument?
- How does the author justify or explain his/her argument? Make sure to identify and define key terms.
- What are the major implications of the argument?
- What are the strengths and/or weaknesses of the argument?
- What could be the alternative explanations for the author's evidence?
- What type(s) of research method and tools does the author use?
- How does the author measure the main concept of the argument?
- How convincing is the quantitative or qualitative evidence offered by the reading?

Literature Review

These are important, and some are foundational, readings in foreign policy. It is likely that you will, at some point, come back to these readings in either an academic or professional capacity. As a result, it is important that you have a thorough knowledge of these readings.

Accordingly, you will write a 15 page literature review on one of the reading topics. More specifically, I would like for you to identify 4-6 other works related to your topic, identify and discuss prominent themes in the literature, discuss current work, point out strengths and weaknesses of current work, and develop pertinent research questions.

In order to help you, I have established several dates by which I would like to see certain elements of your research proposal. These are due prior to class. I will not grade the individual components, just the end results.

- Week of February 4th: Identify topics of interest.
- Week of March 4th: An annotated bibliography with at least 10 sources
- Week of April 1st: A rough draft of the first half of your paper.
- May 6th: Paper due by 5:00pm. In your paper, you should address questions and comments given to you from the first draft.

This is 40% of your grade. A good paper here is critical to complete the final portion of your grade. Late papers will be penalized by a deduction of one letter grade per day late

Blackboard Site:

You have been added to an online blackboard system. The blackboard system allows for students to interact with the instructor, and to interact with each other. All the material for this course (e.g., reading materials, a copy of the syllabus, hand-outs, and study guides) will be posted to this system.

Disability Services:

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Course Outline:

Part I: Introduction

Week 1 (January 14 – January 18): Definition & Background

Readings:

- Guillen, Mauro. 2001. Is Globalization Civilizing, Destructive, or Feeble? A Critique of Five Key Debates in the Social Science Literature. *Annual Review of Sociology* 27: 235-260.
- Keohane, Robert and Joseph S. Nye, Jr. 2000. Globalization: What's New? What's Not? (And So What?). *Foreign Policy* 118: 104-119.
- Keohane, Robert and Joseph S. Nye, Jr. 2000. "Realism and Complex Interdependence" in *The Globalization Reader 2nd Edition*, edited by Frank Lechner and John Boli, 77-83. London: Blackwell
- Sen, Amartya. 2002. How to Judge Globalism. *The American Prospect*

Week 2 (January 22 – January 25): The Causes of Globalization

Readings:

- Chase-Dunn, Christopher, Yukio Kawano, and Benjamin Brewer. 2000. Trade Globalization Since 1795: Waves of Integration in the World-System. *American Sociological Review* 65(1): 77-95.
- Garrett, Geoffrey. 2000. The Causes of Globalization. *Comparative Political Studies* 33(6/7): 941-991.
- Hobsbawm, E.J. 2000. "The World Unified" in *The Globalization Reader 2nd Edition*, edited by Frank Lechner and John Boli, 52-56. London: Blackwell

Week 3 (January 28 – February 1): Actors in Globalization

Readings:

- Burgerman, Susan. 1998. Mobilizing Principles: The Role of Transnational Activists in Promoting Human Rights Principles. *Human Rights Quarterly* 20(4): 905-923
- Roberts, Adam and Benedict Kingsbury. 2000. "The UN's Role in International Society since 1945" in *The Globalization Reader 2nd Edition*, edited by Frank Lechner and John Boli, 269-274. London: Blackwell
- Ruggie, John G. 1992. Multilateralism: The Anatomy of an Institution. *International Organization* 46(3): 561-98.
- Stopford, John. 1998/1999. Multinational Corporations. *Foreign Policy* 113: 12-24

Part II: The Promise of Globalization

Week 4 (February 4 - February 8): The Evolution of the State

Readings:

- Berger, Suzanne. 2000. Globalization and Politics. *Annual Review of Political Science* 3(1): 43-62
- Garrett, Geoffrey. 1998. Global Markets and National Politics: Collision Course or Virtuous Circle? *International Organization* 52(4): 787-824
- Rodrik, Dani. 1998. Why Do More Open Economies Have Bigger Governments? *Journal of Political Economy* 106(5): 997-1032.
- Rudra, Nita. 2002. Globalization and the Decline of the Welfare State in Less-Developed Countries. *International Organization* 56(2): 411-445

Week 5 (February 11 - February 15): Democratization

Readings:

- Keohane, Robert. 1998. International Institutions: Can Interdependence Work?" *Foreign Policy* 110:82-96.
- Pevehouse, Jon and Bruce Russett. 2006. Democratic International Governance Organizations Promote Peace. *International Organization* 60(4): 969-1000.
- Plattner, Marc F. 2002. Globalization and Self-Government. *Journal of Democracy* 13(3): 54-67.
- Li, Quan and Rafael Reuveny. 2003. Economic Globalization and Democracy: An Empirical Analysis. *British Journal of Political Science* 33(1): 29-54

Week 6 (February 18 - February 22): Economic Prosperity

Readings:

- Birdsall, Nancy, Dani Rodrik, and Arvind Subramanian. 2005. How to Help Poor Countries. *Foreign Affairs* 84(4): 136-152.
- Kapstein, Ethan. 2009. Africa's Capitalist Revolution. *Foreign Affairs* 88(4): 119-128.
- Wade, Robert Hunter. 2004. Is Globalization Reducing Poverty and Inequality? *World Development* 32(4): 567-589.
- Weede, Erich. 2004. The Diffusion of Prosperity and Peace by Globalization. *The Independent Review* 9(2): 165-186.

Week 7 (February 25 – March 1): Development

Readings: *Globalization's Contribution to Peace*

- Cottey, Andrew. NATO: Globalization or Redundancy? *Contemporary Security Policy* 25(3): 391-408.
- Gartzke, Erik and Quan Li. 2003. War, Peace, and the Invisible Hand: Positive Externalities of Economic Globalization. *International Studies Quarterly* 47(4): 561-586.
- Gartzke, Erik, Quan Li, and Charles Boehmer. Investing in the Peace: Economic Interdependence and International Conflict. *International Organization* 55(2): 391-438.

- Held, David and Anthony McGrew. 1998. The End of the Old Order? Globalization and the Prospects for World Order. *Review of International Studies* 24(5): 219-245.

Week 8 (March 4– March 8): Winners and Losers in Globalization

Readings:

- Kaplinsky, Raphael. 2001. Is Globalization All It Is Cracked Up to Be? *Review of International Political Economy* 8(1): 45-65.
- Kapstein, Ethan. 2000. Winners and Losers in the Global Economy. *International Organization* 54(2): 359-384.
- Williamson, Jeffrey G. 2002. Winners and Losers Over Two Centuries of Globalization. NBER Working Paper, No. 9161.

Week 9 (March 11 - March 15): Spring Break

No Readings

Part III. The Perils of Globalization

Week 10 (March 18 - March 22): Globalization's Backlash

Readings:

- Bhagwati, Jagdish. 2002. Coping with Anti-globalization: A Trilogy of Discontents. *Foreign Affairs* 81(1): 2-7.
- Burgoon, Brian. 2009. Globalization and Backlash: Polanyi's Revenge. *Review of International Political Economy* 16(2): 145-177.
- Rodrik, Dani. 1997. Sense and Nonsense in the Globalization Debate. *Foreign Policy* 107: 19-37.
- Reich, Robert. 2007. How Capitalism is Killing Democracy. *Foreign Policy* 162: 38-42.
- Smith, Jackie. 2001. Globalizing Resistance." *Mobilization: An International Quarterly* 6(1): 1-19.

Week 11 (March 25 - March 29): Inequality

Readings:

- Piazza, James. 2007. Rooted in Poverty?: Terrorism, Poor Economic Development, and Social Cleavages. *Terrorism and Political Violence* 18(1): 159-177.
- Sala-i-Martin, Xavier. 2002. The Disturbing 'Rise' of Global Income Inequality. NBER Working Paper, No. 8904.
- Sala-i-Martin, Xavier. 2006. The World Distribution of Income: Falling Poverty and... Convergence, Period. *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 121(2): 351-397.
- Wood, Adrian. 1995. How Trade Hurt Unskilled Workers. *Journal of Economic Perspectives* 9(3): 57-80

Week 12 (April 1 – April 5): Conflict and Globalization

Readings:

- Barbieri, Katherine and Rafael Reuveny. 2005. Economic Globalization and Civil War. *Journal of Politics* 67(4): 1228-1247.
- Bussmann, Margit and Gerald Schneider. 2007. When Globalization Discontent Turns Violent: Foreign Economic Liberalization and Internal War. *International Studies Quarterly* 51(1): 79-97.
- Naim, Moises. 2003. The Five Wars of Globalization. *Foreign Policy* 134: 28-37.
- Rowe, David. 2005. The Tragedy of Liberalism: How Globalization Caused the First World War. *Security Studies* 14(3): 407-447.

Week 13 (April 8 - April 12): Globalization and Terrorism

Readings:

- Benmelech, Efraim, Claude Berrebi, Esteban Klor. 2012. Economic Conditions and the Quality of Suicide Terrorism. *Journal of Politics* 74(1): 1-16.
- Cronin, Audrey Kurth. 2003. Behind the Curve: Globalization and International Terrorism. *International Security* 27(3): 30-58.
- Li, Quan and Drew Schaub. 2004. Economic Globalization and Transnational Terrorism: A Pooled Time-Series Analysis. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 48(2): 230-258.
- Piazza, James. 2007. Draining the Swamp: Democracy Promotion, State Failure, and Terrorism in 19 Middle Eastern Countries. *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism* 30(6): 521-539.

Week 14 (April 15 – April 19): The Dark Side of Globalization

Readings:

- Bitzinger, Richard. 1994. The Globalization of the Arms Industry: The Next Proliferation Challenge. *International Security* 19(2): 170-198.
- Kapstein, Ethan. 2006. The New Global Slave Trade. *Foreign Affairs* 85(6): 103-115.
- Lee, Jong-Wha and Warwick McKibben. Globalization and Disease: The Case of SARS. *Asian Economic Papers* 3(1): 113-131.
- Mittelman, James and Robert Johnston. 1999. The Globalization of Organized Crime, the Courtesan State, and the Corruption of Civil Society. *Global Governance* 5(1): 103-126.

Week 15 (April 22 – April 26): Globalization and the Future of the State

Readings:

- Drucker, Peter. 1997. The Global Economy and the Nation State. *Foreign Affairs* 76(5): 159-171.
- Ghemawat, Pankaj. 2007. Why the World Isn't Flat. *Foreign Policy* 159: 54-60.
- Hirst, Paul and Grahame Thompson. The Future of Globalization. *Cooperation and Conflict* 37(3): 247-265.
- Matthews, Jessica. 1997. Power Shift. *Foreign Affairs* 76(1): 50-66.

- Slaughter, Anne-Marie. 1997. The Real New World Order. *Foreign Affairs* 76(5): 183-197.

Week 16 (April 29 - April 30): Paper Work Week

No Readings, Finish up Papers