

MA (POLITICS WITH SPECIALISATION IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES)

OPTIONAL COURSE

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IS 554N: PEACE AND WAR IN THE NUCLEAR AGE

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Course description

The course seeks to introduce the notions of peace and war, conceptually and theoretically. Further, it aims to provide familiarity with the basics of nuclear politics. For this purpose, issue-areas pertaining to above-mentioned themes will be dealt with thoroughly.

COURSE EVALUATION

MID-SEMESTER EXAMINATION – 20 MARKS

RESEARCH PAPER – 30 MARKS

END-SEMESTER EXAMINATION – 50 MARKS

SECTION ONE

WAR

Core Reading

Robert Jervis, 'Theories of War in an Era of Leading Power Peace', *American Political Science Review*, 96:1, 2002, pp. 1-14.

Michael Cox, 'Why did we get the end of the Cold War wrong?', *British Journal of Politics and International Relations*, 11:2, 2009, pp. 161-176.

Lawrence Freedman, 'A New Type of War', in Ken Booth and Tim Dunne (eds.) *Worlds in Collision: Terror and the Future of Global Order*, New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2002, pp. 37-47.

Further Reading

Richard Ned Lebow, *Why Nations Fight: The Past and Future of War* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2010).

Lawrence Freedman, *War: A Reader*, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1994).

SECTION TWO

SECURITY

Core Reading

David Baldwin, 'The Concept of Security', *Review Of International Studies*, 23:1, 1997, pp. 5-26.

Ken Booth, 'Security and Emancipation', *Review Of International Studies*, 17:4, 1991, pp. 313-326.

Edward Newman, 'Critical Human Security Studies', *Review of International Studies*, 36:1, 2010, pp. 77-94.

Further Reading

Kanti Bajpai, 'Human Security: Concept and Measurement', *Kroc Institute Occasional Paper* 19:1, August 2000.

Luca Mavelli, 'Security and secularization in International Relations', *European Journal of International Relations*, 18:1, 2012, pp. 177-199.

SECTION THREE

NUCLEAR POLITICS

NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION /NON-PROLIFERATION

Core Reading

Scott Sagan, 'Why do states make nuclear weapons? Three models in search of a bomb', *International Security*, 21:3, Winter 1996/1997, pp. 54-86.

Jan Ruzicka and Nicholas J. Wheeler, 'The Puzzle of Trusting Relationships in the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty', *International Affairs*, 86:1, January 2010, pp. 69-85.

Further Reading

Jacques E.C.Hymans, *The Psychology of Nuclear Proliferation: Identity, Emotions and Foreign Policy* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2006).

NUCLEAR DETERRENCE

Core Reading

Paul K. Huth and Bruce Russett, 'What Makes Deterrence Work? Cases from 1900 to 1980', *World Politics*, 36:4, July 1984, pp. 496-526.

Further Reading

Stephen L. Quackenbush, 'Deterrence theory: where do we stand?', *Review of International Studies*, 37:2, April 2011, pp.741-762.

NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

Core Reading

Charles Glaser, 'The Flawed Case of Nuclear Disarmament', *Survival*, 40(1), 1998, pp. 112-128.

Further Reading

George Perkovich and James M. Acton, eds., *Abolishing Nuclear Weapons: A Debate* (Washington DC: Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, 2009).

NUCLEAR ORDER

Core Reading

Kenneth Waltz, 'Nuclear Myths and Political Realities', *The American Political Science Review*, 84:3, September 1990, pp. 731-745.

William Walker, 'Nuclear Enlightenment and Counter-Enlightenment', *International Affairs*, 83:3, May 2007, pp. 431-453.

Further Reading

Anne Harrington De Santana, 'Nuclear Weapons as the currency of power and deconstructing the fetishism of force', *Nonproliferation Review*, 16:3, 2009, pp. 325-345.

SECTION FOUR

INDIA'S NUCLEAR BEHAVIOUR

Core Reading

Amitabh Mattoo, 'India's nuclear status quo', *Survival*, Autumn 1996, 38:3, pp. 41-57.

William Walker, 'India's nuclear labyrinth', *Nonproliferation Review*, Fall 1996, pp. 61-77.

Varun Sahni, 'The protean *polis* and strategic surprises: do changes within India affect South Asian strategic stability?', *Contemporary South Asia*, 14:2, June 2005, pp. 219-231.

Further Reading

Brahma Chellaney, 'South Asia's Passage to Nuclear Power', *International Security*, 16:1, 1991, pp. 43-72.

Bharat Karnad, *India's Nuclear Policy* (Westport: Greenwood Publishing Group, 2008).

SECTION FIVE

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND POLITICS OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

Core Reading

Samuel Glasstone, *Sourcebook on Atomic Energy* (New Delhi: Affiliated East-West Press, 1986).

Richard Price, 'A genealogy of the chemical weapons taboo', *International Organization* 49/1, Winter 1995, pp. 73-103.

Gregory Koblentz, "Pathogens as weapons: The international security implications of biological warfare", *International Security*, 28: 3, Winter 2003/04, pp. 84-122.

Jonathan B. Tucker, "Preventing the misuse of biology: lessons from the oversight of smallpox virus research", *International Security*, 31: 2, Fall 2006, pp. 116-150.

Further Reading

Jonathan B. Tucker, 'A Farewell to Germs: The US renunciation of biological and toxin warfare, 1969-70', *International Security*, 27:1, Summer 2002, pp. 107-148.

Arthur Beiser, *Concepts of Modern Physics* (New Delhi: Tata McGraw-Hill, 2007).

SECTION SIX

WAR ON TERROR, PEACE AND EMANCIPATION

Core Reading

Jean Bethke Elshtain, *Just War against Terror: The Burden of American Power In A Violent World* (New York: Basic Books, 2003).

Cian O'Driscoll, 'Jean Bethke Elshtain's *Just War against Terror*: A Tale of Two Cities' *International Relations*, 21: 4, December 2007, pp. 485-492.

Maja Zehfuss, 'The Tragedy of Violent Justice: The Danger of Elshtain's Just War Against Terror', *International Relations*, 21:4, December 2007, pp. 493-501.

Oliver Richmond, 'Reclaiming Peace in International Relations', *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, 36:3, 2008, pp. 439-470.

Steve Smith, 'Singing Our World Into Existence: International Relations Theory and September 11', *International Studies Quarterly*, 48: 3, 2004, pp. 499-515.

Further Reading

Barry Buzan, 'Peace, Power, and Security: Contending Concepts in the Study of International Relations', *Journal of Peace Research*, 21: 2, June 1984, pp. 109-125.

Andrew Linklater, *The Problem of Harm in World Politics: Theoretical Investigations*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2011).