

This course offers an introduction to the field of International Relations theory. It seeks to provide students with a robust understanding of diverse theories of international relations, such as: realism, neorealism, constructivism and pluralism. The second part of the course will address more critical approaches to international relations, including: marxism, post-structuralism, and feminist international relations. Throughout the course, the emphasis will be on providing students with methodological tools and theoretical concepts that have relevance beyond the topics dealt with, and also to develop grounded understandings of the real world relevance of international relations theory, taking account of contemporary global shifts and challenges. Some of the more general questions to be answered are: How should a fully-specified theory look like? And how can theories be examined convincingly? In-depth discussions of the assignments will revolve around these questions.

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What will I learn?

Learning Outcomes:

<p>On completion of this module students should- have a good understanding of the various debates in the field of International Relations;- be able to critically engage with the scholarly literature on international relations;- have a basic understanding of the sub-discipline of International Political Economy.</p>

How will I learn?

Student Effort Hours:

Student Effort Type	Hours
Seminar (or Webinar)	24
Autonomous Student Learning	200
Total	224

Am I eligible to take this module?

<div class="subHeadCB">Requirements, Exclusions and Recommendations</div>

<p>Not applicable to this module.</p>

<div class="subHeadCB">Module Requisites and Incompatibles</div>

Not applicable to this module.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment Strategy

Description	Timing	Open Book Exam	Component Scale	Must Pass Component	% of Final Grade
Attendance: Attendance	Unspecified	n/a	Graded	No	10
Essay: Essay 1 - 5000 words	Unspecified	n/a	Graded	No	45
Essay: Essay 2 - 5000 words	Unspecified	n/a	Graded	No	45

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<div class="col-sm-6">Carry forward of passed components

No</div>

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What happens if I fail?

Resit In	Terminal Exam
Spring	No

Assessment feedback

<div class="subHeadCB">Feedback Strategy/Strategies</div>

<p>* Group/class feedback, post-assessment

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<div class="subHeadCB">How will my Feedback be Delivered?</div>

<p>Not yet recorded.</p>

Reading List

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Theories of International Relations Stream 2 (POL41800) </h1><h3 class="printOnly">Academic Year 2019/2020</h3><p

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<h4 class="noPrint">Theories of International Relations Stream 2 (POL41800)</h4>

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<dt>Subject:</dt>

<dd>Politics</dd>

<dt>College:</dt>

<dd>Social Sciences & Law</dd>

<dt>School:</dt>

<dd>Politics & Int Relations</dd>

<dt>Level:</dt>

<dd>4 (Masters)</dd>

<dt>Credits:</dt>

<dd>10.0</dd>

<dt>Trimester:</dt>

<dd>Autumn</dd>

<dt>Module Coordinator:</dt>

<dd>Dr Richard Maher</dd>

<dt>Mode of Delivery:</dt>

<dd>Face-to-Face</dd>

<dt>Internship Module:</dt><dd>No</dd>

<dt>How will I be graded?</dt>

<dd>Letter grades </dd>

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