



Course and Examination Fact Sheet: Autumn Semester 2017

7,354: International Governance

ECTS credits: 6

Overview examination/s

(binding regulations see below)

Decentral - examination paper written at home (individual) (50%)

Central - Written examination (50%, 90 mins.)

Attached courses

Timetable -- Language -- Lecturer

[7,354,1.00 International Governance](#) -- Englisch -- [Frei Christoph](#)

Course information

Course prerequisites

No formal requirement. Students should be familiar with conventional theories of IR.

Course content

What is global governance? Does the term denote an abstract theory or an empirical reality? Or does it merely represent something we hope for, an intangible yearning for more peace, more justice, a better world? Even within academia, conceptual consensus seems hard to establish. When political scientist Robert W. Cox first set out to describe both the concept of global governance and the thing behind it, he called it a *nebuleuse*.

In this course, we will start from the assumption that engagement with international and global governance ought to take place on the basis of knowing and understanding at least to some extent what is going on in the world. Therefore, we will explore a selected range of issue areas. In every instance, we shall ask the same guiding questions:

- do we agree on what the problem is?
- do we share a sense of direction?
- do we agree on specific policies?
- is compliance ensured?

As we proceed from case to case, global governance will become less nebulous and more concrete. At the same time, we gain a sense of the sheer variety and complexity of what is going on in contemporary world politics. At the end (in December), we draw together the main findings in response to our standard questions as listed above.

Course structure

We will convene for two hours every week for lectures and discussion. Self-study will play a major part by dint of weekly mandatory readings on the one hand and two written assignments on the other. In fact, three out of six credits will be conferred



based on these two assignments.

Course literature

At the beginning of the semester, mandatory readings will be available at the students' Script Commission and on StudyNet.

Additional course information

Note that it is not possible to substitute the MIA core courses with courses taken during an exchange semester. In other words, "International Governance" has to be taken at St.Gallen. What is more, attendance is a must. If you are absent throughout the semester for an exchange term, you are not entitled to resit the exams. On the other hand, if you have to leave for an exchange term the following January or February, you may sit the alternative examination date for the central part of the exam.

Examination information

Examination sub part/s

1. Examination sub part (1/2)

Examination time and form

Decentral - examination paper written at home (individual) (50%)

Remark

Two policy papers, one team, one individual

Examination-aid rule

Term papers

- Term papers must be written without anyone else's help and in accordance with the known quotation standards, and they must contain a declaration of authorship.
- The documentation of sources (quotations, bibliography) has to be done throughout and consistently in accordance with the APA or MLA standards. The indications of the sources of information taken over verbatim or in paraphrase (quotations) must be integrated into the text in accordance with the precepts of the applicable quotation standard, while informative and bibliographical notes must be added as footnotes (recommendations and standards can be found, for example, in METZGER, C. (2015), *Lern- und Arbeitsstrategien* (11th ed., 4th printing). Aarau: Sauerländer).
- For any work written at the HSG, the indication of the page numbers both according to the MLA and the APA standard is never optional.
- Where there are no page numbers in sources, precise references must be provided in a different way: titles of chapters or sections, section numbers, acts, scenes, verses, etc.
- For papers in law, the legal standard is recommended (by way of example, cf. FORSTMOSER, P., OGOREK R. et SCHINDLER B. (2014), *Juristisches Arbeiten: Eine Anleitung für Studierende* (5. Auflage), Zürich: Schulthess, or the recommendations of the Law School).



Supplementary aids

No specific recommendations.

Examination languages

Question language: English

Answer language: English

2. Examination sub part (2/2)

Examination time and form

Central - Written examination (50%, 90 mins.)

Remark

three or four open questions

Examination-aid rule

Open Book

Students are free to choose aids but will have to comply with the following restrictions:

- At such examinations, all the pocket calculators of the Texas Instruments **TI-30 series** are admissible. Any other pocket calculator models are inadmissible.
- In addition, any type of communication, as well as any electronic devices that can be programmed and are capable of communication such as electronic dictionaries, notebooks, tablets, PDAs, mobile telephones and others, are inadmissible.
- Students are themselves responsible for the procurement of examination aids.

Supplementary aids

No specific recommendations

Examination languages

Question language: English

Answer language: English

Examination content

1. Decentral element. - Each student will have to submit two policy papers. The first paper will be written in teams of two, the second individually. In the context of the first paper, both authors will be awarded the same grade.
2. Central element. - The final exam will include a small number of open questions and embrace the totality of the material covered in the course (lectures, discussions, mandatory readings).

Examination relevant literature

The list of mandatory readings for the final exam is congruent with the texts collected in the reader. Additional material may be assigned as relevant over the course of the semester. Keep in mind that the final exam is Open Book.



Please note

We would like to point out to you that this fact sheet has absolute priority over other information such as StudyNet, faculty members' personal databases, information provided in lectures, etc.

When will the fact sheets become binding?

- Information about courses and examination time (central/decentral and grading form): from the start of the bidding process on 24 August 2017
- Information about decentral examinations (examination-aid rule, examination content, examination relevant literature): after the 4th semester week on 16 October 2017
- Information about central examinations (examination-aid rule, examination content, examination relevant literature): from the start of the enrolment period for the examinations on 06 November 2017

Please look at the fact sheet once more after these deadlines have expired.