



Course and Examination Fact Sheet: Autumn Semester 2017

7,368: Foreign Policy Strategies: Theories and Cases

ECTS credits: 4

Overview examination/s

(binding regulations see below)

Decentral - Presentation (in groups - all given the same grades) (50%)

Decentral - Written examination (50%, 60 mins.)

Attached courses

Timetable -- Language -- Lecturer

[7,368,1.00 Foreign Policy Strategies: Theories and Cases](#) -- Englisch -- [Davis James W.](#)

Course information

Course prerequisites

Students should have a basic understanding of the major theories of international relations. Students who have never taken an introductory course should consult one of the introductory text books to the field in advance of the semester.

Course content

This course is devoted to the study of statecraft. The goal is to:

1. familiarize students with the academic literature devoted to the analysis of recurring foreign policy problems and the range of strategies available for managing them;
2. allow students to evaluate the utility of these general strategies through detailed analysis of individual cases.

Through the integration of theory and foreign policy practice students will gain insights into the trade-offs – both in terms of interests and values – demanded by the anarchic nature of international politics.

Course structure

Session 1 General Introduction: The Domestic and International Setting of Foreign Policy

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Semester Break

Session 7 Case Study and Discussion

Session 8 Case Study and Discussion

Session 9 Case Study and Discussion

Session 10 Case Study and Discussion

Session 11 Case Study and Discussion

Session 12 Final Exam

Course literature



Required literature includes those texts listed in the semester plan (see above) as well as the case study materials that will be distributed in class.

Additional course information

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Examination information

Examination sub part/s

1. Examination sub part (1/2)

Examination time and form

Decentral - Presentation (in groups - all given the same grades) (50%)

Remark

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Examination-aid rule

Practical examination

No examination-aid rule is necessary for such examination types. The rules and regulations of the University of St. Gallen apply in a subsidiary fashion.

Supplementary aids

Group presentation and analysis of a particular foreign policy/diplomacy case study. Students will make use of materials provided by the course instructor as well as those available through the library, Internet, etc.

Examination languages

Question language: English

Answer language: English

2. Examination sub part (2/2)

Examination time and form

Decentral - Written examination (50%, 60 mins.)

Remark

Written final exam

Examination-aid rule

Extended Closed Book

The use of aids is limited; any additional aids permitted are exhaustively listed under "Supplementary aids". Basically, the following is applicable:

- At such examinations, all the pocket calculators of the Texas Instruments TI-30 series and mono- or bilingual dictionaries (no subject-specific dictionaries) without hand-written notes are admissible. Any other pocket calculator models and any electronic dictionaries 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 notebooks, tablets, PDAs, mobile telephones and others, are inadmissible.
- Students are themselves responsible for the procurement of examination aids.



Supplementary aids

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Examination languages

Question language: English

Answer language: English

Examination content

The final exam, held on the last day of class, is designed to see whether students have understood key concepts and theories discussed in class and can apply them to real world cases in search of effective foreign policy strategies.

The final examination covers the topics and literature covered in the seminars as well as the data generated from the group presentations of cases.

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Examination relevant literature

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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.