

HISTORY OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

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GROUP 1 Mondays 13h30-15h10 Classroom @ 10.03 | GROUP 2 Mondays 15h20-17h00 @ 10.03

Class No.	Summary	Date
0	Introduction to the course.	September 22 nd
1	Workshop: How to write a paper.	September 29 th
	Assignment: Share a brief (~5 min) history of your country with focus	
	on international allies and foreign policy throughout the last centuries.	
2	Background: The Ancient World. Machiavelli and Medieval IR.	October 6 th
	De-assimilation: brief incursion in non-European perspectives.	
	A Westphalian system: equality, sovereignty, and independence.	
	<u>Discussion</u> : Is there chaos and anarchy, or order at the int. level?	
3	The Law of Nations and The Iberian School of Peace and Natural Law.	October 13 th
	Grotius. The countermovement of Jus Gentium: Hobbes, Spinosa and	
	Hegel. The Vienna Congress. The Holy Alliance. Monroe Doctrine.	
	<u>Discussion</u> : To intervene or not to intervene?	
4	The Long 19 th Century: nationalistic movements. Nations and principle	October 20 th
	of nationalities. War and Peace. Just War Theory. The Hague	
	Conferences of 1899 and 1907. Projects of Perpetual Peace.	
	<u>Discussion</u> : Is there such a thing as a just war?	
	Read: Excerpts of Vladimir Putin's Announcement of Military	
	Operation in Ukraine 24.02.2022, Al Jazeera. Listen: Benjamin	
	Netanyahu's <u>Declaration of War</u> 07.10.2023, WSJ News.	
	<u>Class Discussion</u> : What makes a declaration of war <i>just</i> ?	
Deadline	Submission of the proposed research question (e-mail)	October 23 rd
5	The short 20 th Century. The universalization of International Law.	October 27 th
	International Organizations. Decolonization. Genocides.	
	<u>Discussion</u> : Can there ever be decolonization? Colonialism in Eastern	
	Europe and the Levant.	
	Assignment: Watch and comment "I Will Remember Them" on	
	VideoAnt: https://youtu.be/Vndi4lTOhlE (30min)	
6	Globalization, nation building, and terrorism.	November 3 rd
	The I/P Conflict: a nuanced position and a few things to consider.	
	<u>Class discussion</u> : Analysis and characterization of the Hamas-Israel	
	conflict: military operation, war, and/or genocide?	
Deadline -	Submission of the term research project (~2-5pp, e-mail)	November 6 th
7	Individual Review of Research Projects.	November 10 th
8	Class preparation of Mock-Model UN exercise (2 rounds).	November 17 th
9	Mock-Model UN R1: Demilitarization of Ukraine	November 24 th
No Class	National Holiday: Restauration of Independence Day	December 1 st
No Class	National Holiday (Catholic): Feast of the Immaculate Conception	December 8 th
Deadline	Final deadline for the <u>submission of papers</u> (~15-20pp, <i>until</i> 23h59)	December 12 th
10	Mock-Model UN R2: Demilitarization of Gaza, rec. of Palestine	December 15 th
Extra	Course assessment, self-assessment, end-of-term review, grading.	December 19 th