

Cooperation and Conflict in International Relations in the 21st Century

Hauptseminar / Masterseminar

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Tuesdays, 14:00 – 16:00h

HS 1023, KG I

States are core actors in international relations in general and responsible for much of the international cooperation and conflicts. Why do states behave the way they do? How can we explain cooperation in a specific case and conflict in another? In order to provide answers to these core questions of International Relations (IR), the course is organized into three parts. In part I, we study the most prominent IR theories, including neo-realism, institutionalism, liberalism, constructivism and institutional design approaches. In part II., the course shifts its attention to four different policy areas (security, economy, human rights and environment). In applying the IR theories to specific cases of cooperation and conflict, students learn not only how to work with theories in practice, but also how to use them to analyse situations and give practical advice to policy makers. In the final part of the course, research design questions are at center stage to support students in preparing their term papers.

The core literature can be found in ILIAS by following this link:

https://ilias.uni-freiburg.de/goto.php?target=crs_1346739&client_id=unifreiburg

Password ILIAS for the course: **CoCo1920**

This course uses blended learning. The E-Learning units can be accessed through ILIAS

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Introductory Literature:

Dunne, et al. 2007, Reus-Smith and Snidal 2008, Knutsen 1997, Jackson and Sørensen 1999, Carlsnaes, et al. 2002, Joergensen 2010

Assessment

In order to obtain ECTS credits (c.f. <http://portal.uni-freiburg.de/politik/studium>), you need to:

- Do all the core readings
- Actively participate in all the sessions and attend them regularly (no more than two no-shows)
- Work on one group project (including literature research, power point/multimedia presentation (15-20 minutes), and handout)
- Write an individual paper based on one of your group projects (length depending on your degree, usually between 20-25 pages)¹

Assigned Readings

All core readings must be completed *before* the class session for which they are assigned!

Reading the additional literature is recommended, but not required. Please note: We work with the readings during class and it is important that you bring your copies and your notes along.

¹ You cannot submit one paper as a group, each student needs to write his/her own paper.

Date	Content	Literature
Session 1 22.10.2019	Introduction	
Theories of International Relations		
Session 2 29.10.2019	Neo-Realism	Waltz 1979, Ch. 4 “Political Structures” and Ch. 5 “Anarchic Orders and Balance of Power” Additional readings: Waltz 1979, Baldwin 1993, Buzan, et al. 1993, Waltz 1988
Session 3 05.11.2019	Institutionalism/ Neoliberalism	Martin 2007, Axelrod and Keohane 1986 Additional readings: Stein 2008, Martin 1992, Garrett 1992, Keohane and Nye 1977, Snidal 1985, Panke 2013
Session 4 12.11.2019	Liberalism	Panke and Risse 2007, Putnam 1988 Additional readings Moravcsik 1991, Doyle 1986, Schieder 2003
Session 5 19.11.2019	Constructivism	Wendt 1992, Hurd 2008 Additional readings Checkel 1998, Panke 2006
Session 6 26.11.2019	Institutional Design/ Legalization	Abbott, et al. 2000, Goldstein, et al. 2000, Kahler 2000 Additional readings: Abbott 2000, Simmons 2000, Finnemore and Toope 2001, Panke 2010b, a
Session 7 03.12.2019	External talk (tba)	
Theory application - Cases		
Session 8 10.12.2019	Security	Iran – Nuclear Program Or North Korea’s Nuclear Program Or Indian- Pakistan Conflict Or ?

Session 9 17.12.2019	Economy	China-USA trade conflict Or UK possible post-BREXIT trade negotiations Or The WTO and the international trade regime Or ?
Session 10 07.01.2020	Human Rights	Human rights violations in Or Promoting Good Governance Or electoral monitoring Or Why do states leave the ICC Or ?
Session 11 14.01.2020	Environment	Combatting Climate Change Or Inside the International Whaling Commission Or ?
Final Part		
Session 12 21.01.2020	<p style="text-align: center;">Research Design for Student Papers</p> <p>Additional readings: Panke 2018 and E-Learning units https://ilias.uni-freiburg.de/goto.php?target=crs_360306_rcodehXJf8QDBAB&client_id=unifreiburg</p>	
Session 13 28.01.2020	Student Paper Conference (1)	
Session 14 04.02.2020	Student Paper Conference (2)	
Session 15 11.02.2020	Final Session	

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