



**POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS  
PROGRAMME**

**TRIMESTER 2, 2007**

**INTP247: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS: WEALTH AND WORLD  
AFFAIRS**

**CRN 13545**

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Lecture Times        Thursday and Friday, 13:10 – 14:00

Lecture Venue:        HM Lecture Theatre 002

Office Hours:        Monday, 9 AM – 9:45 AM, Thursday: 11 AM – 11:45 AM,  
Friday, 11 AM – 11:45 AM or by appointment

Tutorials begin        Thursday, 19 July and Friday, 20 July. Tutorial Times and Places are listed on Blackboard. Thursday tutorials are led by tutor **Xavier Forde**; Lecturer will take the Friday tutorial.

**COURSE STRUCTURE**

The course will address essentially three discrete components: the major theoretical perspectives and their approaches to understanding the international political economy; the major institutional and regulatory regimes and related agreements; and the issues and concerns which affect and are impacted by the international political economy.

**COURSE AIM**

To provide students a firm understanding of the nature of the contemporary international community as it is both shaped by and shapes the interdependent economic structure and transactions.

## LECTURE SCHEDULE

Week 1	12- 13 July	Introduction
Week 2	19-20 July	Conceptual framework: Historical prospective Post-WWII
Week 3	26-27 July	Realist Analysis
Week 4	2-3 August	Liberal Analysis
Week 5	9-10 August	Structuralist Analysis
Week 6	16-17 August	International Financial Institutions (IMF, World Bank)
	<b>(Mid-Semester Break</b>	<b>23-24 and 30-31 August)</b>
Week 7	6-7 September	Developing World: Crises and Debt
Week 8	13-14 September	Trade Issues and International Responses:
Week 9	20-21 September	Trade Issues: Regional Responses and Arrangements
Week 10	27-28 September	Multilateral Corporations and States
Week 11	4-5 October	International development
Week 12	11-12 October	Contemporary Considerations and Future Prognoses

## COURSE READING

There is no *mandated, required* assigned textbook. However, a general textbook can be purchased for those who wish to. It is Balaam, David and Veseth, Michael, *Introduction to International Political Economy* Third Edition, 2005. It covers broadly the areas which will be covered in lectures. The purchase price is \$89.95.

There will be copies put on reserve in the Library. In addition, there are numerous books and journal articles, including electronic journals, which cover these areas thoroughly. Justin Cargill (463-6176), the Librarian handling Political Science and International Relations can assist in helping you locate those materials, both for coverage of the regular lectures topics and in preparation for your essays and final examination. I will from time to time, through Blackboard, suggest certain readings before particular lecture topics.

## ASSESSMENT:

Essay: Due not later than 5 PM, Friday, 21 September 2007-07	45 %
Tutorial <u>Participation</u> :	10 %
Final Examination: (3 hour duration - date to be set)	45 %

The Essay will be not less than 1800 and no more than 2200 words. Students will choose from a list. Students will choose their essay topic from a list of essay questions given out in the Lecture theatre on Friday, 28 July.

**Please note:** Any student failing to attend at least seven (8) of the eleven (11) tutorials will receive '0' for the tutorial component of the final course mark.

The Final examination will consist of a choice of between (eight) 8 and (twelve) 12 questions. Each student must answer two questions in order to pass the examination. Each of the two questions will be weighted equally (i.e., each answer will count for 22.5 %, rounded upwards, of the final course mark). If a final examination question resembles or is substantially similar to the area a student has written on for his or her essay, the student must not choose that question on the final examination but answer two others instead.

## MANDATORY COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To gain a pass in this course each student must:

- a) Submit the written work specified for this course, on or by the specified dates (subject to such provisions as are stated for late submission of work)
- b) Attend at least 8 tutorials out of a possible 11
- c) Sit the final examination

Faculty guidelines permit you to miss up to 3 tutorials out of a possible 11 without penalty. Extra absences will result in a student failing terms, except in cases of serious illness (supported by a medical certificate), or serious personal crisis.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS NO PROVISION FOR MAKE-UP EXERCISES IN THIS COURSE TO COMPENSATE FOR ADDITIONAL ABSENCES EXCEPT UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES. You should allow for the possibility of unforeseen illness when using up your quota of permissible absences.

PLEASE NOTE that **Friday 19 October** is the FINAL DATE on which any written work can be accepted by the Programme, since this is the date on which we must determine whether students have met the course requirements. This means that the provision for late submission with a penalty does not apply beyond this date. Permission to submit work after 19 October must be sought in writing from the course coordinator, and will only be granted for serious medical reasons (supported by medical certificate), or in case of serious personal crisis.

**NB:** A student who has obtained an overall mark of 50% or more, but failed to satisfy a mandatory requirement for a course, will receive a K grade for that course, while a course mark less than 50% will result in the appropriate fail grade (D or E).

### **PENALTIES**

Students will be penalised for late submission of essays—a deduction of 5% for the first day late, and 2% per day thereafter, up to a maximum of 8 days. Work that is more than 8 days late can be accepted for mandatory course requirements but will not be marked. However, penalties may be waived if there are valid grounds, e.g., illness (presentation of a medical certificate will be necessary) or similar other contingencies. In such cases prior information will be necessary.

### **WORKLOAD**

In accordance with Faculty Guidelines, this course has been constructed on the assumption that students will devote 15 hours per week to reading, writing, and researching material for this course. This includes 2 hours of lectures and 1 hour of tutorials per week.

### **AEGROTATS**

Please note that under the revised Examination Statute (Sections 6-10) students may now apply for an aegrotat pass in respect of any item of assessment falling within the last three weeks before the day on which lectures cease. In the case of second trimester courses in 2007 the starting point for this period is **Monday 24 September**.

The following rules apply:

- where a student is not able to sit a test falling within these last three weeks because of illness or injury etc., an alternative test will be arranged where possible. If the student has completed in the view of the course supervisor, sufficient marked assessment relevant to the objectives of the course, an average mark may be offered. Where a student has an essay or other piece of assessment due in the last three weeks, and has a medical certificate or other appropriate documentation, the student will be given an extension.
- if none of the above is available to the student, e.g., if she/he has an ongoing illness, than an aegrotat will be considered. See Examination Statute 6-10 for a full explanation of the rules governing the provision of aegrotats in these circumstances.

### **GENERAL UNIVERSITY POLICIES AND STATUTES**

Students should familiarise themselves with the University's policies and statutes, particularly the Assessment Statute, the Personal Courses of Study Statute, the Statute on Student Conduct and any statutes relating to the particular qualifications being studied; see the Victoria University Calendar available in hard copy or under 'About Victoria' on the VUW home page at [www.victoria.ac.nz](http://www.victoria.ac.nz).

#### **Student and staff conduct**

The Statute on Student Conduct together with the Policy on Staff Conduct ensure that members of the University community are able to work, learn, study and participate in the academic and social aspects of the University's life in an atmosphere of safety and respect. The Statute on Student Conduct contains information on what conduct is prohibited and what steps are to be taken if there is a complaint. For information about complaint procedures under the Statute on Student Conduct, contact the Facilitator and Disputes Advisor or refer to the statute on the VUW policy website at:

[www.victoria.ac.nz/policy/studentconduct](http://www.victoria.ac.nz/policy/studentconduct)

The Policy on Staff Conduct can be found on the VUW website at:

[www.victoria.ac.nz/policy/staffconduct](http://www.victoria.ac.nz/policy/staffconduct)

### **Academic grievances**

If you have any academic problems with your course you should talk to the tutor or lecturer concerned; class representatives may be able to help you in this. If you are not satisfied with the result of that meeting, see the Head of School or the relevant Associate Dean; VUWSA Education Coordinators are available to assist in this process. If, after trying the above channels, you are still unsatisfied, formal grievance procedures can be invoked. These are set out in the Academic Grievance Policy which is published on the VUW website at:

[www.victoria.ac.nz/policy/academicgrievances](http://www.victoria.ac.nz/policy/academicgrievances)

### **Academic integrity and plagiarism**

Academic integrity is about honesty – put simply it means *no cheating*. All members of the University community are responsible for upholding academic integrity, which means staff and students are expected to behave honestly, fairly and with respect for others at all times.

Plagiarism is a form of cheating which undermines academic integrity. The University defines plagiarism as follows:

*The presentation of the work of another person or other persons as if it were one's own, whether intended or not. This includes published or unpublished work, material on the Internet and the work of other students or staff.*

It is still plagiarism even if you re-structure the material or present it in your own style or words.

*Note: It is however, perfectly acceptable to include the work of others as long as that is acknowledged by appropriate referencing.*

Plagiarism is prohibited at Victoria and is not worth the risk. Any enrolled student found guilty of plagiarism will be subject to disciplinary procedures under the Statute on Student Conduct and may be penalized severely. Consequences of being found guilty of plagiarism can include:

- an oral or written warning,
- cancellation of your mark for an assessment or a fail grade for the course,
- suspension from the course or the University.

Find out more about plagiarism, and how to avoid it, on the University's website:

[www.victoria.ac.nz/home/studying/plagiarism.html](http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/studying/plagiarism.html)

### **Students with Impairments** (see Appendix 3 of the Assessment Handbook)

The University has a policy of reasonable accommodation of the needs of students with disabilities. The policy aims to give students with disabilities the same opportunity as other students to demonstrate their abilities. If you have a disability, impairment or chronic medical condition (temporary, permanent or recurring) that may impact on your ability to participate, learn and/or achieve in lectures and tutorials or in meeting the course requirements, please contact the course coordinator as early in the course as possible. Alternatively, you may wish to approach a Student Adviser from Disability Support Services (DSS) to discuss your individual needs and the available options and support on a confidential basis. DSS are located on Level 1, Robert Stout Building:

telephone: 463-6070

email: [disability@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:disability@vuw.ac.nz)

The name of your School's Disability Liaison Person is in the relevant prospectus or can be obtained from the School Office or DSS.

### **Student Support**

Staff at Victoria want students to have positive learning experiences at the University. Each faculty has a designated staff member who can either help you directly if your academic progress is causing you concern, or quickly put you in contact with someone who can. In the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences the support contacts are **Dr Allison Kirkman, Murphy Building, room 407** and **Dr Stuart Brock, Murphy Building, room 312**. Assistance for specific groups is also available from the Kaiwawao Māori, Manaaki Pihipihinga or Victoria International.

### ***Manaaki Pihipihinga Programme***

This programme offers:

- Academic mentoring for all Māori & Pacific students at all levels of undergraduate study for the faculties of Commerce & Administration and Humanities & Social Sciences. Contact [Manaaki-Pihipihinga-Programme@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:Manaaki-Pihipihinga-Programme@vuw.ac.nz) or phone 463 6015 to register for Humanities & Social Science mentoring and 463 8977 to register for mentoring for Commerce and Administration courses
- Postgraduate support network for the above faculties, which links students into all of the post grad activities and workshops on campus and networking opportunities
- Pacific Support Coordinator who can assist Pacific students with transitional issues, disseminate useful information and provide any assistance needed to help students achieve. Contact; [Pacific-Support-Coord@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:Pacific-Support-Coord@vuw.ac.nz) or phone 463 5842.

Manaaki Pihipihinga is located at: 14 Kelburn Parade, back court yard, Room 109 D (for Humanities mentoring & some first year Commerce mentoring) or Room 210 level 2 west wing railway station Pipitea (commerce mentoring space). Māori Studies mentoring is done at the marae.

### ***Student Services***

In addition, the Student Services Group (email: [student-services@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:student-services@vuw.ac.nz)) is available to provide a variety of support and services. Find out more at:

[www.victoria.ac.nz/st\\_services/](http://www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/)

VUWSA employs Education Coordinators who deal with academic problems and provide support, advice and advocacy services, as well as organising class representatives and faculty delegates. The Education Office (tel. 463-6983 or 463-6984, email at [education@vuwsa.org.nz](mailto:education@vuwsa.org.nz)) is located on the ground floor, Student Union Building.