COURSE OUTLINE

Course Code / Title : HA3023 International Security

Pre-requisites : HA2004

No. of AUs. : 3

Contact Hours : 39

Course Aims

This course will introduce you to current issues in international security. Through a series of simulations, discussions and lectures, we will cover several of the most pressing issues in contemporary international security, ranging from traditional security issues like inter-state and civil war, nuclear proliferation, and the rise of great powers to more non-traditional, newer issues like terrorism, climate change, and "human security." The course will also examine some of the solutions that have been proposed for these security problems, including international organizations, democracy promotion, and military intervention. You will emerge from the course with a firm grasp of the core security issues and challenges facing states, groups, and individuals in the contemporary world. Any student interested in international relations and the global security environment would benefit from this class. If you are considering a career in diplomacy or the military, this course will help you prepare for your future, especially through your participation in the simulations we will be doing.

Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)

By the end of the course, you should be able to:

- 1. Identify the most pressing issues involved in international security.
- 2. Apply theories of international relations to real-world cases.
- 3. Use the lessons of history to critically consider contemporary challenges in international security.
- 4. Develop techniques to work in flexible, team-based environments.

Course Content

- Realism
- Liberalism
- Constructivism
- Democratic Peace
- Military Security
- Human Security

- Humanitarian intervention
- Great power rivalry
- Rise of China
- Weapons of mass destruction
- Terrorism
- Climate change
- End of history
- Clash of civilizations
- Future of international security

Course Assessment

Class Participation : 20%

In-class tests : 60%

Term paper : 20%

Total ------

100%