Basic Information

Time     Tuesday and Thursday 9:30 am – 10:45 am  
Location  Grainger 1270  
Semester  Fall 2014  
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Course Description

Every war must end, but some last longer than others. What determines when a conflict ends? This course will cover the main approaches to conflict resolution and war termination and study some of the salient cases. Both international and civil conflict will be considered. Topics covered include: theories of conflict and conflict resolution, negotiation, reassurance, partition, humanitarian intervention, mediation and peacekeeping. Salient cases will include the World Wars, the Korean War, the Cold War, and various civil wars.

Course Requirements

Each student will write five response papers discussing the readings. Each paper will be due at the beginning of class, and must discuss the readings for that class or subsequent classes (not previous classes.) You may distribute the five papers how you like across the course of the semester, but you are advised not to leave them to the last five class sessions. The papers should be in the neighborhood of 500 words, and should summarize at least two readings and make some broader point or argument about them, involving some reflection on your part. Papers should be submitted as PDF files, with the author’s name and title at the head of the document. The file name must be the author’s name, RP, and then the number of the response paper, for instance, SmithRP1.pdf.

There will also be a midterm and final exam. The midterm exam will be on October 16th. I will be out of town that day. The exam will be made available on the Learn@UW site for the course as a quiz. You will have one hour to complete it from the time that you start. There will be four short answer questions to be answered in a paragraph or two.

For the final, there will be eight short answer questions that may be drawn from the entire course. The final will be Tuesday, December 16, at 12:25 pm. I will let you know the room when they assign it to us.
Grading will be weighted as follows.

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Readings

The following books are available at the Bookstore.


Other readings are available through the learn@uw site. Go to https://learnuw.wisc.edu/ and log in. The course should be visible there, click on it and then on the content.
Class Schedule

**Week 1 (September 2, 4)  Introduction**

- Iklé, *Every War Must End*

**Week 2 (September 9, 11)  Bargaining Theory and War Termination**


**Week 3 (September 16, 18)  Domestic Politics and War Termination**

- Henk Erich Goemans, *War and Punishment*, Chapters 1, 2, pp. 72-81, 9.

**Week 4 (September 23, 25)  Indivisibility**


**Week 5 (September 30, October 2)  The Security Dilemma, Mistrust and Reassurance**

Week 6 (October 7, 9)  The Cold War


Week 7 (October 14, 16)  Civil War Theory


MIDTERM EXAM October 16.

Week 8 (October 21, 23)  Civil War Practice


Week 9 (October 28, 30)  Outbidding and the Spoiler Problem


**Week 10 (November 4, 6) The Partition Debate**


**Week 11 (November 11, 13) Peacekeeping and Reconstruction**


**Week 12 (November 18, 20) Mediation**

**Week 13** (*November 25*)  **Camp David**


**Week 14** (*December 2, 4*)  **The Responsibility to Protect (R2P)**


**Week 15** (*December 9, 11*)  **Critiques of Humanitarian Intervention**