



EXTENDED CAMPUS

COLLEGE *of* PROFESSIONAL
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IAS 5940-223: Topics in International Studies: The International System and the United Nations

Course Description:

This course is a graduate survey on the creation, development and function of the United Nations. The goal of this course is to provide participants an in depth understanding of the multiple dimensions of the United Nations in the international system that includes security (peacekeeping), education, health, disaster assistance, human rights and development. Other topics that will be examined include the role of the UN in the international system related to traditional theoretical assumptions, member state perspectives and current and future challenges for the UN.

Class Dates, Format, Location and Hours:

Dates:	October 19-24, 2021
Format:	Hybrid. Course to take place via Zoom and Canvas.
Location for on-site courses:	100 Lilienthalallee, Building 104, Room 1, NATO Airbase Geilenkirchen, 52511, Germany
Hours:	Tuesday-Friday 7:00-9:30 p.m.; Saturday 1:00-5:00 p.m. ; Sunday 1:00-3:00 p.m. CEST

Last day to enroll or drop without penalty: September 20th, 2021

Site Director:

Name:	Taylor Corum
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Professor Contact Information:

Course Professor:	Jarrett E. Jobe, PhD
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Professor availability:	The professor will be available via email to students before and after the class sessions. On-site office hours are half an hour before and after each class session, by appointment.

Textbook(s) and Instructional Materials:

Student materials are available at the OU Bookstore Website at <https://ou.textbookx.com/institutional/index.php>. The website has book selling, renting, buying, returning, and order tracking capabilities. If you need help with an order, or if you have any questions contact the

toll-free phone at 1-(855)-790-6637, agents are available from 9a – 5p (EST) Monday – Friday. Text prices are available online.

1. Mingst, Karen and Margaret Karns. (2012). *The United Nations in the Post Cold War Era, 2nd Edition*. ISBN - 978-0367296933. Electronic Edition.
2. Annan, Kofi with Nader Mousavizadeh. (2012). *Interventions: A Life in War and Peace*. New York: Penguin Press. ISBN 9780143123958
3. Additional Materials will be posted to the OU Desire to Learn (D2L) system. Access D2L at <http://learn.ou.edu>; enter your OU NetID (4+4) and password, and select course to access material. Please contact your local site director if you need assistance. Some of the materials that will be included are below. Relevant pieces for discussions may be added.
4. Zacher, Mark. 1998. “Uniting Nations: Global Regimes and the UN System.” *Institute of International Relations*. The University of British Columbia; Working Paper No. 23.
5. The Charter of the United Nations. www.un.org
6. Millenium/Sustainable Development Goals: <https://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/>, <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/?menu=1300>.

Course Objectives:

1. To understand the creation and development of the United Nations.
2. To recognize the multiple dimensions of the UN, its functions and policies.
3. To understand regimes and their roles in the UN system.
4. To comprehend the expansion and scope of peacekeeping in the international system.
5. To consider the future challenges of the UN.
6. To examine the current international landscape and the role of the UN.

Course Outline:

Tuesday, October 19th – Zoom Meeting – 7:00pm to 9:30pm (CEST)

Introduction, History and Structure of the United Nations
Readings: Mingst and Karns

Wednesday, October 20th – Zoom Meeting – 7:00pm to 9:30pm (CEST)

The Multiple Dimensions of the United Nations; Regimes
Readings: Mingst and Karns, Zacher Article

Thursday, October 21st – Zoom Meeting – 7:00pm to 9:30pm (CEST)

The Millenium/Sustainable Development Goals
Readings: Annan, UN Websites
UN Relevant Topic Conversation

Friday, October 22nd – Zoom Meeting – 7:00pm to 9:30pm (CEST)

Peacekeeping and Security
Readings: Mingst and Karns, Annan
UN Relevant Topic Conversation

Saturday, October 23rd – Zoom Meeting – 1:00pm to 5:00pm (CEST)

The United Nations Today
Examining Key Topics and Issues
Final Exam Prep

Sunday, October 24th – Zoom Meeting – 1:00pm to 3:00pm (CEST)

Closing Points and Final Exam

Assignments, Grading and Due Dates:

Students are expected to have read the assigned readings before each class period and come to class prepared for discussion. As this is a graduate course, students are expected to actively participate in discussion and leading conversations.

A final examination will be administered the final Sunday afternoon of class. During the previous class meetings, certain topics will be communicated to students that will be part of their final examination. The exam will only cover topics discussed in class or in the readings.

Grading:

This is a letter-graded course: A, B, C, D, or F.

Percentage of grade will be determined by the following assignments:

Class Participation/Attendance 25%

Students are expected to attend class and participate in a thoughtful and meaningful manner. The quality of each student's comments and preparedness will be considered for this portion of the grade.

Book Review 25%

Students will review Kofi Annan's Book – Interventions: A Life in War and Peace. Directions and expectations for this assignment will be provided on the canvas site prior to course commencement. This assignment will be due October 24th, 2021.

Course Final (Online Submission) 50%

An online final will be provided to the class in the Sunday, October 24th course meeting. The final will be required to complete by midnight, October 31st, 2021.

Notice: Failure to meet assignment due dates could result in a grade of I (Incomplete) and may adversely impact Tuition Assistance and/or Financial Aid.

POLICIES AND NOTICES

Attendance/Grade Policy

Attendance and participation in interaction, individual assignments, group exercises, simulations, role playing, etc. are valuable aspects of any course because much of the learning comes from discussions in class with other students. It is expected that you attend all classes and be on time except for excused emergencies.

Excused absences are given for professor mandated activities or legally required activities such as emergencies or military assignments. It is the policy of the University to excuse absences of students that result from religious observances and to provide without penalty for the rescheduling of examinations and additional required class work that may fall on religious holidays. Unavoidable personal emergencies, including (but not limited to) serious illness; delays in getting to class because of accidents, etc.; deaths and funerals, and hazardous road conditions will be excused.

If you are obtaining financial assistance (TA, STAP, FA, VA, Scholarship, etc.) to pay all or part of your tuition cost, you must follow your funding agency/institution's policy regarding "I" (Incomplete) grades unless the timeline is longer than what the University policy allows then you must adhere to the University policy. Students who receive Financial Aid must resolve/complete any "I" (Incomplete) grades by the end of the term or he/she may be placed on "financial aid probation." If the "I" grade is not resolved/completed by the end of the following term, the student's Financial Aid may be suspended make the student ineligible for further Financial Aid.

Students are responsible for meeting the guidelines of Tuition Assistance and Veterans Assistance. See the education counselor at your local education center for a complete description of your TA or VA requirements.

OU faculty will submit grades online through ONE not later than 30 days after the course end date. Course end dates are approximately one calendar month after the final seminar date on this syllabus and are provided on the official scheduling website for reference.

Academic Integrity and Student Conduct

Academic integrity means honesty and responsibility in scholarship. Academic assignments exist to help students learn; grades exist to show how fully this goal is attained. Therefore all work and all grades should result from the student's own understanding and effort.

Academic misconduct is any act which improperly affects the evaluation of a student's academic performance or achievement. Misconduct occurs when the student either knows or reasonably should know that the act constitutes misconduct. Academic misconduct includes: cheating and using unauthorized materials on examinations and other assignments; improper collaboration, submitting the same assignment for different classes (self-plagiarism); fabrication, forgery, alteration of documents, lying, etc...in order to obtain an academic advantage; assisting others in academic misconduct; attempting to commit academic misconduct; destruction of property, hacking, etc...; intimidation and interference with integrity process; and plagiarism. All students should review the Student's Guide to Academic Integrity at http://integrity.ou.edu/students_guide.html

Students and faculty each have responsibility for maintaining an appropriate learning environment. All students should review policies regarding student conduct at <http://studentconduct.ou.edu/>

Accommodation Statement

The University of Oklahoma is committed to making its activities as accessible as possible. For accommodations on the basis of disability, please contact your local OU Site Director.

Adjustment for Pregnancy/Childbirth-Related Issues

Should you need modifications or adjustments to your course requirements because of documented pregnancy-related or childbirth-related issues, please contact the Professor as soon as possible to discuss.

Generally, modifications will be made where medically necessary and similar in scope to accommodations based on temporary disability. Please see <http://www.ou.edu/content/eoo/faqs/pregnancy-faqs.html>.

Title IX Resources

For any concerns regarding gender-based discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, stalking, or intimate partner violence, the University offers a variety of resources, including advocates on-call 24/7, counseling services, mutual no-contact orders, scheduling adjustments, and disciplinary sanctions against the perpetrator. Please contact the Sexual Misconduct Office at smo@ou.edu or (405) 325-2215 (8-5), or the Sexual Assault Response Team at (405) 615 -0013 (24/7) to report an incident. To learn more about Title IX, please visit the Institutional Equity Office's website at <http://www.ou.edu/content/eoo.html>

Course Policies

Extended Campus (also and formerly known as Advanced Programs) policy is to order books in paperback if available. Courses, dates, and professors are subject to change. Please check with your OU Site Director. Students should retain a copy of any assignments that are e/mailed to the professor for the course. Neither duplicating services nor office supplies are provided.

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INSTRUCTOR VITA

Jarrett E. Jobe, Ph.D.

Education

- 2012 Doctor of Philosophy. Political Science. Major Fields - International Relations, Public Policy, American Politics. University of Oklahoma
- 2001 Bachelor of Science, Forensic Science, University of Central Oklahoma

Frequently Taught Extended Campus (Advanced Programs) Courses

- IAS 5940 The International System and the United Nations
- IAS 5793 Graduate Studies in International Relations

Professional Experience

- 2010 – Current University of Central Oklahoma, Leadership Central, Executive Director of Student Leadership Programs
- 2008 – 2010 University of Central Oklahoma, Office of the President, Coordinator of Special Programs and Events
- 2004 – 2008 University of Oklahoma, Institute of Public Affairs, Assistant Evaluator
- 2004 – Current University of Central Oklahoma, Assistant Instructor/Lecturer, Model United Nations
- 2013 – Current Assistant Instructor, Leadership Minor, Global Service and Leadership: Peru, South Africa, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Cuba, Uganda
- 2014 - Current Servant Leadership in Action, Leadership and Cultural Competency
- 2008 – 2011 Adjunct Lecturer, Success Central
- 2014 - Current University of Oklahoma, Adjunct Lecturer, Model United Nations
- Summer 1999 Federal Bureau of Investigation, Honors Intern Program Summer 1999

Representative Publications and Presentations

“Teaching Leadership: A Holistic Approach to Student Leadership Development at the University of Central Oklahoma.” *Journal of Transformative Learning*. 2013.

Funded Research

- Coordinated Human Service Transportation: Impediments and Solutions at the State and Local Level, United States Department of Transportation, Federal Transit. Graduate Research Assistant for Tom James, Primary Investigator. Summer 2005, 2007.
- Coordinated Statewide Child Restraint Survey, Oklahoma Highway Safety Office in Cooperation with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and The United States Department of Transportation.
- Graduate Research Assistant for Tom James, Primary Investigator. Summer 2005, 2007.

Conference/Paper Presentations

- Southern Political Science Conference – New Orleans, LA – Jan. 2007, *The Social Construction of U.N. Peacekeeping Operations*
- Southwest Political Science Conference – Albuquerque, NM – Mar. 2007, *The Importance of Family Conditions for Mitigating Youth Risky Behavior*
- American Model United Nations – Chicago, IL – November of 2013, *Creating Sustainable Model UN Course and Club Experiences*
- National Society for Experiential Educations – Baltimore, MD – October 2014, *Engaging Global and Service Learning*

Political Moderator

- City of Choctaw Legislative Panel Moderator – June 2012 Primary Elections.
- City of Luther Town Board Panel Moderator – Spring 2013 General Elections

Keynote Speaker/Program Guest

- Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society – Spring 2012
- Alpha Delta Pi Sorority – Spring 2014
- Foreign Policy – Great Decision Series – March 2016 – The Post 2015 UN Agenda

Awards/Grants/Honors

- Global Educator of the Year: Higher Education – World Experiences Foundation - 2016
- President's Award for Leadership and Civic Engagement – UCO – Fall 2014
- Presidential Fellowship Travel Award – Vichy, France – Summer 2006
- Graduate Student Senate Association Travel Grant – Fall 2006
- Political Science Departmental Travel Grant – Fall 2006
- Edmond's top 30 under 35 citizens – 2008
- Honorary Member – Golden Key International – UCO Chapter - 2013
- Leadership Oklahoma – Linking Oklahoma's Young Adult Leaders Class VII Graduate – 2012
- Leadership UCO - Class I Graduate - 2002