

<b>Identification</b>	<b>Subject (code, title, credits)</b>	<b>PSIR 251: International Organizations(Group A)</b> 6 ECTS credits 15 Weeks, 60 hours		
	<b>Department</b>	<b>Political Science and Philosophy</b>		
	<b>Level</b>	Undergraduate		
	<b>Term</b>	Spring 2020		
	<b>Instructor</b>	Baba Bayramli		
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	<b>Classroom/hours</b>	41 Mehseti str. (Neftchilar campus), Monday, 10:10-13:20		
	<b>Office hours</b>	By appointment		
<b>Prerequisites</b>	N/A			
<b>Language</b>	<b>English</b>			
<b>Compulsory/Elective</b>	Compulsory			
<b>Required textbooks and course materials</b>	<p><b>Core readings:</b> John Baylis, Steven Smith “<i>Globalization of World Politics</i>” <i>Second Edition</i> John T. Rourke “<i>International Politics on the World Stage</i>” <i>Seventh Edition</i> Karen Mingst “<i>Essentials of International Relations</i>” J. Samuel Barkin “<i>International Organizations: theories and institutions</i>”</p> <p><b>Supplementary materials:</b> In addition to the core readings, various texts from scholarly and popular journals (as well as newspapers) may also be assigned.</p>			
<b>Course outline</b>	This course will explore and analyse a number of approaches to understanding international organizations and their role in modern security architecture.			
<b>Course objectives</b>	The aim of this course is to study the role of international organizations in world politics, and to examine the prospects for global governance in the international system.			
<b>Learning outcomes</b>	From this course, students will develop an understanding of the field of International Organizations. They will understand the role and functions of international organizations in the contemporary world. Students will also explore several organizations in greater depth and analyse how international and regional organizations are meeting the challenges of a globalized world. Students will also learn about Azerbaijan’s participation in various international organizations and the way the country benefits from this co-operation.			
<b>Evaluation</b>	<b>Methods</b>	<b>Date/deadlines</b>	<b>Percentage (%)</b>	
	<b>Midterm evaluation</b>		30	
	<b>Class attendance</b>		5	
	<b>Active participation at the seminars</b>		15	
	<b>Essay</b>		10	
	<b>Final exam</b>		40	
	<b>Total</b>		100	
<b>Policy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Preparation for class</b>  The structure of this course makes your individual study and preparation outside the class extremely important. The lecture material will focus on the major points introduced in the text. Reading the assigned chapters and having some familiarity with them before class will greatly assist your understanding of the lecture. After the lecture, you should study your notes and work relevant problems from the end of the chapter and sample exam questions.</li> <li>▪ <b>Withdrawal (pass/fail)</b></li> </ul>			

	<p>This course strictly follows grading policy of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences. Thus, a student is normally expected to achieve a mark of at least 60% to pass. In case of failure, he/she will be required to repeat the course the following term or year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Cheating/plagiarism</b></li> </ul> <p>Cheating or other plagiarism during the Mid-term and Final Examinations will lead to paper cancellation. In this case, the student will automatically get zero (0), without any considerations.</p> <p><b>Essay</b></p> <p>We appreciate an ability of students to prepare a good essay. The essay should be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An original research of the students.</li> <li>• Written according to the international standards with introduction, internal parts, conclusion, and used special literature.</li> <li>• Limited in size (10 -12 pages/Times New Roman - 12).</li> <li>• Printed in computer, and has a cover page.</li> </ul> <p>As soon as it is possible, we will offer you a list of themes for essays. Every student can choose for the essay a theme with the consent of instructor.</p> <p>Essay requirements/standards are available in DPSIR.</p> <p><b>Group discussion</b></p> <p>Students’ activity during classes will be evaluated on the basis of their participation in discussions on various topics during the lesson. The instructor will make notes after each discussion and will evaluate students’ activities before the final exam.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Professional behavior guidelines</b></li> </ul> <p>The students shall behave in the way to create favorable academic and professional environment during the class hours. Unauthorized discussions and unethical behavior are strictly prohibited.</p>
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**Tentative Schedule**

Date/Day (subject to change if necessary on holidays)	Topics	Readings
<b>Week 1</b> 10.02.2020	Introduction to the Course objectives, requirements and the subject	
<b>Week 2</b> 17.02.2020	Contending theories for International Organizations	Karen Mingst “Essentials of International Relations” (p.237-241)
<b>Week 3</b> 24.02.2020	Types and (expanding) roles of the international organizations	John T. Rourke “ <i>International Politics on the World Stage</i> ” <i>Seventh Edition</i> (p. 222-228)

<b>Week 4</b> 02.03.2020	Goals of International Organizations	Reading materials will be sent by the instructor
<b>Week 5</b> 09.03.2020	League of Nations as the first global international organization: successes and failures	Reading materials will be sent to your e-mails by the instructor
<b>Week 6</b> 16.03.2020	The UN: history and contemporary challenges;	John T. Rourke <i>“International Politics on the World Stage” Seventh Edition (p. 237-249)</i>
<b>Week 7</b> 23.03.2020	Novruz Holiday	
<b>Week 8</b> 30.03.2020	Voting formulas at the International Organizations	John T. Rourke <i>“International Politics on the World Stage” Seventh Edition</i>
<b>Week 9</b> 06.04.2020	Sanctions: types and purposes	Reading materials will be sent to your e-mails by the instructor
<b>Week 10</b> 13.04.2020	Mid-term exam	
<b>Week 11</b> 20.04.2020	Peacekeeping operations: evolution and contemporary challenges	Reading materials will be sent to your e-mails by the instructor
<b>Week 12</b> 27.04.2020	Financing of international organizations and its political implications	John T. Rourke <i>“International Politics on the World Stage” Seventh Edition (p. 249-252)</i>
<b>Week 13</b> 04.05.2020	Regional IGOs: Focus on European Union - Origins and Evolution  The Main Obstacles for Establishment of the European Government	John T. Rourke <i>“International Politics on the World Stage” Seventh Edition (p. 228-236)</i>
<b>Week 14</b> 11.05.2020	Simulation of a debate within the international organization	Topic will be given one week before
<b>Week 15</b> 18.05.2020	Transnational Companies as political actors	John Baylis, Steven Smith <i>“Globalization of World Politics” Second Edition (p. 362-366)</i>
<b>Week 16</b> 29.05.2020	Concluding lecture	

Additional readings and assignments will be provided by the instructor for this course.  
If necessary, some minor modifications may be made to this syllabus by the instructor.