

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO

Political Science 140C
International Crisis Diplomacy

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Political Science 140C (International Crisis Diplomacy) is an introduction to the international politics of resolving crises. The focus is on the new type of crises that have emerged since the end of the Cold War—particularly crises over national self-determination, terrorism, and non-proliferation.

Outline of the Course.

- Week 1. Introduction.
 - A. Overview of the Course and Course Requirements.
 - B. Recent International Crises: Case Studies of Success and Failure.
- Week 2. The Major Actors: When Do They Succeed?
 - A. International Organizations as Vehicles for Crisis Diplomacy.
 - B. The Policies of the Great Powers.
 - C. Conditions for Success and Failure.
- Week 3. The Current Agenda at the UN: Middle East Issues.
- Week 4. Mid-term Examination and Preparation for Simulation.
- Weeks 5-10. Model Security Council Simulation

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Readings. All assigned readings are available on electronic reserves at Geisel Library.

Grades. Your course grade will be the average of your grades on [1] your performance on a mid-term examination at the beginning of the fourth class meeting, [2] your participation in the Model Security Council simulation, and [3] your research paper explaining your country's primary foreign policy objectives. Each will receive equal weight in the calculation of your course grade.

The mid-term examination is a one-hour objective examination that simply checks whether you have understood the lectures and readings.

Note: By enrolling in this course you agree to submit your research paper for textual similarity review to Turnitin.com for the detection of plagiarism. All submitted papers will be included as source documents in the Turnitin.com reference database solely for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of such papers. Use of the Turnitin.com service is subject to the terms-of-use agreement posted on the Turnitin.com website.

Course Web-site. I routinely post a copy of the course syllabus and lecture outlines on the course web-site. I will add to and up-date the outlines with each lecture. You can reach this web-site through my homepage: weber.ucsd.edu/~proeder

READINGS

January 11. Recent International Crises: Successes and Failures.

Bruce D. Jones. "Military Intervention in Rwanda's 'Two Wars': Partisanship and Indifference." In *Civil Wars, Insecurity, and Intervention*, edited by Barbara F. Walter and Jack Snyder, 116-45. New York: Columbia University Press, 1999.

Thomas R. Mockaitis. *Peace Operations and Intrastate Conflict: The Sword or the Olive Branch?* Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 1999. Chapter 3 ("Somalia").

January 18. The Major Actors: When Do They Succeed?

Hisako Shimura. "The Role of the UN Secretariat in Organizing Peacekeeping." In *United Nations Peacekeeping Operations: Ad Hoc Missions, Permanent Engagement*, edited by Ramsh Thakur and Albrecht Schnabel, 46-56. Tokyo: United Nations University Press, 2001.

James Dobbins. "The UN's Role in Nation-building: From the Belgian Congo to Iraq." *Survival* 46 (Winter 2004-5), 81-102.

Patrick M. Regan. *Civil Wars and Foreign Powers: Outside Intervention in Intrastate Conflict*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 2000. Chapter 5 ("The Effectiveness of Multilateral Interventions.")

January 25. The Current Agenda at the UN: Middle East Issues.

1. Palestinian Question

"A Performance-Based Roadmap to a Permanent Two-State Solution to the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict" (30 April 2003) and "Quartet Statement" (20 September 2005).

Security Council Meeting Reports No. 5568, 5565, 5564 (including Resumption 1), 5552, 5515, and Resolutions 1397 (2002), 338 (1973), and 242 (1967).

2. Iraq

Security Council Meeting Reports No. 5574 and 5523, and Resolutions 1723 (2006), 1637 (2005), 1619 (2005), 1546 (2004), 1511 (2003), 1500 (2003), 1483 (2003).