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PSCI 1404 American Foreign Policy Prof. M. Lee Spring 2024

American Foreign Policy - Recitation syllabus

Please refer to the professor's syllabus for lecture and general course information. This syllabus outlines recitation and office hours logistics and policies. Should there be a discrepancy between the professor's and this syllabus, then please consider the professor's syllabus as the authoritative document.

This course offers three recitation sections as well as office hours twice a week, on top of both lectures.

Recitations

Recitations begin during the week of January 23 and end after the week of April 22. There will be no recitations on February 29 & March 1 and April 4 & 5.

There are three recitation sections. Please email me if you would like to attend a different recitation section than usual due to a one-time conflict.

- Thursday 1:45-2:45 PM, DRLB 4N30
- Thursday 3:30-4:30 PM, DRLB 4N19
- Friday 12:00-1:00 PM, PCPE 203

Recitation format and purpose

Our recitations have multiple purposes, and not all weeks will follow the same format. Some recitations will further delve into the assigned readings for the week. Some recitations will present extensions to the lectures. In some recitations, we will discuss different cases as applied to the week's substantive topic. There will be recitations where I introduce you to my own research as it relates to the week's lecture material.

I fully welcome questions or topics you may want to discuss during recitation. In other words, should there be topics you are interested in that you feel are only summarily touched upon in the lectures, we can try and incorporate them in recitations. I would appreciate an email before the weekend so I have ample time to prepare accordingly, but I encourage you to bring pertinent questions to recitation as well.

You are not expected to prepare anything for the recitations beyond this and your preparation for the week's lecture. I will inform you if a certain week requires additional advance preparation. Any other materials (such as slides for certain recitations) will be shared in due time.

The professor's technology policies apply in recitation as well. Feel free to bring the material you need for note-taking.

Participation

Recitation attendance and active participation is mandatory. Together with lecture attendance, this counts for 20% of your total grade. That said, this should be a freebie for you. You may miss one recitation without any impact on your participation grade. If you need to miss more than one recitation, please submit a Course Action Notice.

In general, you can expect the recitations to be interactive. I expect reasonable efforts from all of you, although I recognize that you have other responsibilities throughout the week that may at times interfere with your preparation and participation.

Office Hours

Office hours are offered twice a week for an hour, on Zoom or in person (in PCPSE 140). Please make an appointment here for any class-related questions you may have. Feel free to book in 2 slots if you have a longer or multiple questions. Should you not be able to attend any of my scheduled office hours, please email me and we will arrange for another time.

- Monday 10:00-11:00 AM
- Friday 1:00-2:00 PM

I may plan in additional office hours around course milestones/exams. These will be communicated in due time.

Getting in touch

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If you have questions about the course, please book in a slot during my office hours. I am also happy to answer questions via email and will do my best to respond within a reasonable time, excluding weekends and spring break. Please understand that I cannot guarantee responses to emails sent within 48 hours of the due date of an assignment.