Boston University International Programs
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Conflict Resolution: Workshop and Case Studies
CAS IR 565
Summer 2009

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Calendar Summer 2009
Duration: Three Weeks 8th to 26th June
Arrival in London: 6th June

Course Content and Teaching
It is a prerequisite for registration on this course that students will have completed the Geneva based course, Conflict Resolution: Concepts and Resolutions immediately prior to coming to London. This is a four-credit course with 40 class contact hours. The course will concentrate on three case studies each of which reflects a different aspect of the problems associated with conflict resolution. Each also has a British dimension, and there will be field trips linked to all three. Teaching will take a variety of formats, with both lectures and extensive class discussion. A number of specialist speakers will address the class, with the coordination of all the sessions being carried out by London based adjunct professor, Dr Paul Cousins. The final session will take the form of a capstone seminar and discussion which will be lead by Dr Cousins, Dr Tehindrazanarivelo from Geneva, and Dr Michael Corgan from the International Relations faculty at Boston University.

Course Assessment
Each student will be asked to write a research paper 3000 words in length on an approved topic due by Friday 26th June. The chosen topic will refer both to the theory addressed in Geneva and the cases discussed in London. It will be submitted at the end of the course.

There will also be a quiz in the second week relating to the material covered in the early part of the course. The research paper will count 70% of the final grade, the quiz 20% and there will be 10% based on attendance and participation in class discussions.
Required Readings

Selected chapters for required reading will be made available on the course website along with relevant articles and notes (http://www.bu-london.co.uk/programmes/cr). Students will need to log into the website to view these materials.

Course Schedule

In weeks one and two there will be 28 class contact hours, integrating classroom and off-site learning. There will be 12 hours class contact hours in week three.

Week One

Monday: Introduction to the course and the three case studies in particular. (4 hours) The British and European context of the chosen cases.

Tuesday: The Cyprus Case Study - the historical, geographic, political and social context. (4 hours) Discussion of issues raised. Reading: Y Papadakis: *Divided Cyprus* (Introduction – around 30 pages)

Wednesday: Cod War Case Study – the historic and other background factors. (4 hours) Discussion of issues. Reading: A Welch: *The Royal Navy in the Cod War* (Introduction – around 30 pages)

Thursday: The Northern Ireland Case Study – the historic and other contextual factors. (4 hours) Discussion. The research paper required of each student will be agreed. Reading: T Pat Coogan: *The Troubles* (Introduction – around 30 pages) Relevant Articles/Extracts from course website, plus study notes (around 30 pages)

Week Two

Monday: Quiz/Test covering the work undertaken in Week One. (4 hours) Visit in connection to the Cyprus Case study 10am: Briefing and Q&A at the Commonwealth Headquarters (http://www.thecommonwealth.org) Reading: Relevant Articles/Extracts from course website, plus study notes (around 30 pages)

Tuesday: Cod War Case Study (4 hours) 10:30am: Visit to the International Maritime Organization (http://www.imo.org), preceded by an introduction to the work of the organisation. Reading: Relevant Articles/Extracts from course website, plus study notes (around 30 pages)

Wednesday: Discussion of the Northern Ireland Case Study, with guest speakers. (4 hours) Reading: J McGarry & B O’Leary: *Explaining Northern Ireland* (chapter 1 – around 30 pages) Review of progress with respect to the research papers.
Week Three

Monday: Discussion of the Cyprus Case Study.
(4 hours) Reading:
Relevant Articles/Extracts from course website, plus study notes (around 30 pages)

Tuesday: Discussion of the Cod War Case Study.
(4 hours) Reading:
Relevant Articles/Extracts from course website, plus study notes (around 30 pages)

Wednesday: Capstone Seminar and final discussion with the participation of Dr Cousins, Dr Tehindrazanarivel and Dr Corgan
(4 hours)

Thursday and Friday: left free for students to complete the research paper.

Departure: Students are requested to vacate their rooms by 12 noon on Saturday 27 June.

Grading
Please refer to the Academic Handbook for detailed grading policies and information on plagiarism:
http://www.bu-london.co.uk/files/images/ACADEMICHANDBOOKSU09.pdf

Bibliography

General
N Davies: Europe: A History
J Sandole (ed): Handbook of Conflict Analysis and Resolution
P Wallensteen: Understanding Conflict Resolution

Cyprus
C Brenin: The European Union and Cyprus
M Hakki: The Cyprus Issue: A Documentary History 1878-2006
C Hichins: Hostage to History
B O’Malley: The Cyprus Conspiracy
W Mallinson: Cyprus: A Modern History
S Pantelli: History of Modern Cyprus
Y Papadakis: Divided Cyprus

Cod Wars
A Gichrist: Cod Wars and How to Lose Them
J Hjalmarsson: History of Iceland
G Karlsson: The History of Iceland
G Lacey: Ring of Seasons

Northern Ireland
D De Beadun: The Far Side of Reason
T Pat Coogan: The Troubles
J McGarry & B O’Leary: Explaining Northern Ireland
J McGarry & B O’Leary: Policy and Politics in Northern Ireland
D McKittrick: Making Sense of the Troubles
J McEvry: The Politics of Northern Ireland
M Mulholland: Northern Ireland: A Very Short Introduction