HI290/IR 350: HISTORY OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SINCE 1945

Semester II, 2011-2012
Lecture: Tuesday, Thursday, 2:00-3:20 P.M.
Morse Auditorium

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REQUIRED READINGS


Note: All of the above books are available at the Barnes and Noble Bookstore in Kenmore Square. Please purchase them by the first week of class.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE COURSE

The requirements of this course include (1) a mid-term examination, (2) an analytical paper, (3) a final examination, (4) regular attendance at lecture, and (5) attendance at and participation in a weekly discussion section.

Midterm Examination: March 1, 2:00-3:20 p.m.
Analytical Paper: Due April 5 in lecture
Final Examination: May 9, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

The mid-term and final examinations must be taken on the two dates specified on this syllabus. Make-up examinations will be given after the scheduled examination time only for a valid medical reason. Any student who misses the final examination for a valid medical reason must notify the professor or teaching fellow prior to or immediately after the examination in order to receive an “Incomplete” grade and arrange for a makeup examination. If you know that you will be unable to take either of the examinations on the specified date for any reason other than a medical one (athletic events, job interviews, airline flights that cannot be rescheduled, etc.) then you must withdraw from this course and enroll in one that fits your schedule. International Relations concentrators who need this course to graduate and cannot take both of the examinations at the specified times should arrange with the Undergraduate International Relations Office to take an equivalent alternative course for concentration credit. When you receive your midterm examination after it has been corrected, do not discard it. Keep it in a safe place until you have received your final grade for this course so that you will be sure to receive credit for your examination in case your grade was not properly recorded. Final examinations will
be kept on file by your teaching fellow. In addition to the midterm and final examinations, you will be assigned an analytical paper in your discussion section. The nature of the paper assignment and the criteria for determining your grade for the course will be explained in greater detail by your teaching fellow. The analytical paper is due in lecture on April 5. Late papers will be penalized five points (on a scale of 100) for each day beyond the due date.

**CRITERIA FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF FINAL GRADES FOR THE COURSE**

Mid-Term Examination: 25%
Analytical Paper: 25%
Final Examination: 30%
Participation in Weekly Discussion Section: 20%

**GRADES FOR EXAMINATIONS AND ANALYTICAL PAPER**

If you do not understand the reasons for a grade that you received on your examinations or on your analytical paper, you may discuss the matter with your teaching fellow. After such a meeting you may discuss the grade that you received with the professor. If you so request, the professor will reread the examination or paper and award the grade that he thinks it deserves.

**PLAGIARISM: WHAT IT IS AND HOW TO RECOGNIZE AND AVOID IT**

*What is Plagiarism and Why is it Important?*

In college courses, we are continually engaged with other people’s ideas: we read them in texts, hear them in lecture, discuss them in class, and incorporate them into our own writing. As a result, it is very important that we give credit where it is due. Plagiarism is using others’ ideas and words without clearly acknowledging the source of that information.

**How Can Students Avoid Plagiarism?**

To avoid plagiarism, you must give credit whenever you use:
---another person’s idea, opinion, or theory;
---any facts, statistics, graphs, drawings—any pieces of information—that are not common knowledge;
---quotations of another person’s actual spoken or written words; or
---paraphrase of another person’s written or spoken words."

The above quotation is taken from a website of the Writing Tutorial Services of Indiana University. For information about Boston University’s policy on plagiarism, see [www.bu.edu/academics/programs/conduct code.html](http://www.bu.edu/academics/programs/conduct code.html)
Plagiarism Will Not Be Tolerated at Boston University

Since plagiarism is a form of theft (in this case, theft of ideas or words), it is not tolerated in this university and is punished very severely by the Dean’s Office of the College of Arts and Sciences. Please be certain that you understand exactly what plagiarism is and how to avoid it.

AVAILABILITY OF PROFESSOR AND TEACHING FELLOWS

Professor Keylor holds office hours on Tuesdays, 11:00-12 noon; Wednesdays, 11:00-12 noon; Thursdays, 11:00-12 noon; and by appointment at his campus office, which is located at 154 Bay State Road, Room 301. His telephone number is 617-358-0197 and his e-mail address is wrkeylor@bu.edu. Your teaching fellows this semester, Christine Axen, Andrew David, Aaron Knapp, David Olson, and Kallie Szczepanski, also hold weekly office hours at times and locations that will be announced in your weekly sections. Your professor and your section leader are here to help you. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with them if you have any questions or concerns related to the course.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE COURSE

The general subject of this course is the political, economic, and military relations between the major countries of the world since the end of the Second World War. Some of the themes covered will include (1) the causes and consequences of the Cold War from its origins in Europe to its extension to Asia, Africa, Latin America, and the Middle East; (2) the formation of the non-aligned bloc of nations seeking to avoid a choice between the two “superpowers;” (3) the emergence of regional conflicts and tensions unrelated to the Cold War in many parts of the world; (4) the creation and evolution of the postwar international economic order; (5) the disintegration of the European colonial empires and the emergence of independent states in Africa, Asia, and the Middle East; (6) the rise of the People’s Republic of China, the recovery of Japan as a major economic power, and their increasingly important roles in Asia; (7) the end of the Cold War and the breakup of the Communist bloc; and (8) the emergence of a new international order in what has been called the era of globalization.
LECTURE TOPICS AND ASSIGNED READINGS

Jan. 17: Introduction to the course; The Legacy of the Second World War

Jan. 19, 24, 26: The Ideological Division of the World
   Keylor, 20th Century, ch. 8, pp. 253-277
   Judge and Langdon, The Cold War, pp. 1-48

Jan. 31, Feb. 2: The Militarization of Containment
   Keylor, 20th Century, ch 8, pp. 277-297; ch. 9, pp. 304-306

Feb. 7, 9: The Middle East in Ferment
   Keylor, 20th Century, ch. 9 pp. 299-304, Chapter 10, pp. 344-351
   Judge and Langdon, The Cold War, pp. 90-96

Feb. 14, 16, 23: The Far East: China, Korea, Indochina, Japan
   Keylor, 20th Century, ch. 11, pp. 352-373
   Judge and Langdon, The Cold War, pp. 48-56, 59-61, 65-69, 72-77
   Young et al., The Vietnam War, Chapter I.

Feb. 28: Latin America: From Chapultepec to Castro
   Keylor, 20th Century, pp. 313-320
   Judge and Langdon, pp. 101-103

March 1 MID-TERM EXAMINATION

March 6, 8 Years of Crisis: 1958-1962
   Keylor, 20th Century, ch. 9, pp. 306-313, 317-322
   Judge and Langdon, The Cold War, pp. 96-101, 104-115, 118-119,
   429-435, 462-470, 483-493

March 12-20 Spring Break

Mar. 20, 22: Detente between the Two Europes and the Two Superpowers
   Keylor, 20th Century, ch. 10, pp. 323-344
   Judge and Langdon, The Cold War, pp. 115-117, 119-121,
   144-145, 148-154, 158-169, 179-181
March 27, 29  The Far East, 1960-1990
April 3     Keylor, 20th Century, ch. 11, pp. 373-386; ch. 15, pp. 432-447
            Judge and Langdon, The Cold War, pp. 121-129, 138-143, 145-147,
            173-179
            Young et al., The Vietnam War, Chapters 2-8

Apr. 5:     Africa: The Challenges of Independence. ANALYTICAL PAPER
            DUE IN LECTURE
            Keylor, 20th Century, ch. 14, pp. 414-431; ch. 19, pp. 510-530

Apr. 10:    Inter-American Relations since the Cuban Missile Crisis
            Keylor, 20th Century, ch. 13, pp. 402-413; ch. 21, pp. 547-560

Apr. 12, 17: War and Peace in the Middle East, 1960-1990.
            Keylor, 20th Century, ch. 10, pp. 344-351; ch. 12, pp. 395-401;
            Judge and Langdon, The Cold War, pp. 169-173

Apr. 19, 24, 26 The End of the Cold War and the New International Order
May 1       Keylor, 20th Century, ch. 12, pp. 388-395; ch. 16, pp. 451-470; ch.
            17, pp. 471-488; ch.18, pp. 489-509; ch. 20, pp. 531-546; ch. 22, 
            pp. 561-592
            Judge and Langdon, The Cold War, pp. 182-249

May 9, 9:00-11:00 a.m. FINAL EXAMINATION
SCHEDULE OF LECTURES

Jan. 17: Introduction; The Legacy of the Second World War
19: The Ideological Division of Europe, 1945-1949
24: The Ideological Division of Germany, 1945-1949
26: The Postwar Economic Order: From Bretton Woods to the Common Market
31: From Containment to Confrontation

Feb. 2: Prospects for Peaceful Coexistence
  7: The Middle East: From Palestine to Israel
  9: The Middle East: The Arab World in Revolt
14: The Rise of the People’s Republic of China
16: The Extension of the Cold War to the Far East
21: No class. Monday Schedule of Classes
23: The Recovery of Japan
28: Latin America: From Chapultepec to Castro

Mar. 1: MIDTERM EXAMINATION: MORSE AUDITORIUM
  5: The Crisis Years of the Early Sixties
  6: The Cuban Missile Crisis
10-18: Spring Break
20: Challenges to the Bipolar World in the 1960s
22: Ostpolitik and Detente in the Seventies
27: The Second War for Indochina, 1954-1975
29: China Turns to the West.

Apr. 3: Japan and the Newly Industrializing Countries of East Asia
  5: Africa: The Challenges of Independence ANALYTICAL PAPER DUE IN
  10: Inter-American Relations since the Cuban Missile Crisis
12: The Middle East from Suez to Camp David
17: The Middle East from Camp David to “Desert Storm”
19: The End of the Cold War
24: Documentary Film: “The Wall Comes Down”
26: The 1990s: The Decade of Globalization

May 1: The International System of the Twenty-First Century

May 9: 9:00-11:00 a.m. FINAL EXAMINATION