

Recitation Syllabus: Introduction to International Relations PSCI-2223 Spring Semester 2006 Prof. Joseph Jupille

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Recitation sessions: 105 (Tuesday 9:00- 9:50 am) and 106 (Tuesday 10:00- 10:50 am)
Office Hours: Tuesday 11:00am - 12:00pm and Wednesday 11:00 am- 12:00 pm and by appointment at Ketchum 105.

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Goals of the Recitation sessions

- Generally, the purpose of the recitations is to accomplish a thorough understanding of the course material discussed during Prof. Jupille's lectures. For this reason, I expect consistent quality participation. We will utilize supplementary reading and discussion material during the recitations to achieve a strong understanding of the course material.
- This class will help to increase each student's ability for critical thinking and writing. We will use contemporary news articles to enhance the student's understanding and analysis of real world problems. It is very advisable to consistently read a quality daily newspaper in addition to the *Economist*.
- I will occasionally ask you to prepare extra readings or short assignments. This will be announced ahead of time and will consider your other time constraints. Also, occasionally, I will give pop quizzes to ensure that the students' prepare sufficiently for class. Attendance alone will not guarantee a satisfactory grade for this recitation.
- We will assume that you already possess sufficient research and writing skills to perform well in this class. If you have problems in this area, please address this ahead of time.

Recitation Policies

- I expect respectful behavior during the recitation sessions. This includes especially polite behavior during discussions. Moreover, these sessions require participation. I will discuss further details during the sessions. Please consider Prof. Jupille's policies concerning attendance.

Grading Policies

- You are expected to take two Midterm exams (worth 15% each), a research paper (20%) and a final exam (30%) covering the entire course (see Prof. Jupille's syllabus). Your recitation grade (20%) will depend on your performance demonstrated during the recitation sessions. Participation during the recitation is crucial and will include asking and answering questions, offering comments, participation in group-work or other assignments, such as e.g. quizzes and short writing assignments. Poor attendance as well as lack of participation will lead to a failing grade in recitation.
- I will be grading your assignments. Therefore, if you wish to discuss a grade, please make an appointment or come to my office hours.

University Policies on plagiarism, disabilities, and religious observances

- Please obey the university policies on plagiarism. You may review it at www.colorado.edu/academics/honorcode. You are required to generate original work. If you use other authors' work, make sure you cite correctly. If you are caught cheating, the general procedure is that you will be given an F for the class. Your case will then be turned over to the honor council.
- For students with disabilities, please submit a letter from Disability Services, so that your needs can be accommodated. Disability Services will provide accommodations based on the documented disabilities (www.colorado.edu/disabilityservices).
- The university's policies demand that faculty accommodates religious observances of students in a reasonable fashion. "Every effort" shall be made to find solutions that avoid the penalization of students who want to exercise their rights to religious observance, and have conflicts with scheduled exams or other attendance. This requires the student to early notify the faculty of the scheduled conflict. For further details, please visit the following website http://www.colorado.edu/policies/fac_relig.html.