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POL 361 H1 F GLOBAL POLITICAL ECONOMY I: HISTORY AND THEORY

Lecture: Wednesday, 10AM-12noon

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Themes: This course focuses on the evolution of key aspects of world economic governance, including institutions and policy practices in such arenas as trade, money, finance, communications, migration, energy, climate, health, and development. Historical and theoretical frameworks for understanding continuity and change in those institutions and policies are introduced. Student course work will concentrate on specific collective action problems needing to be addressed at the global level.

EXCLUSION: POL370H1; POL370Y1

PREREQUISITE: 1.0 POL credit; ECO100Y1 or ECO105Y1

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION: POL 208Y

Assignments, grading and dates:

Participation (20%); Essay Prospectus (10%, 250 words maximum, due on October 2); Essay Annotated Bibliography (700 words maximum, 15%, due on October 16); Complete Research Essay (35%; 2500-3000 words, due on November 20); Test (20%, in class on December 4).

Each assignment will be graded on a scale of 0-100 points. Penalties for lateness: 5 points for each late day. Participation grade will be based on attendance and quality of oral contributions. The test will be based on required readings and the content of lectures and discussions. Weekly attendance is therefore expected.

The essay will focus on one particular aspect of the contemporary global economy that poses a collective action problem and governance challenge for existing political authorities. The essay will describe the nature of that challenge, the historical development of the policy problem, and the current condition of any governance arrangements aiming to tackle it. On this basis, it will specify the most useful theoretical approach to understanding the core political dilemma facing policy-makers and speculate on how that dilemma might be overcome or managed more effectively in the future. The

prospectus will provide a one-page outline of the essay in its early planning phase. The annotated bibliography will generally comprise and briefly summarize 5-10 principal articles and/or books to be used in the essay as key reference sources.

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- d) Making up sources or facts.
- e) Including references to sources that you did not use.
- f) Obtaining or providing unauthorized assistance on any assignment, including working in groups or assignments that are supposed to be individual work, and having someone rewrite or add material to your work while editing it.
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Accessibility Services: Students with diverse learning styles and needs are welcome in this course. In particular, if you have a disability/health consideration that may require accommodations, please feel free to approach the instructor and/or Accessibility Services at (416) 978 8060 (accessibility.utoronto.ca).

Readings and other assignments:

The following paperback book includes most required readings and is available for purchase in the University Bookstore:

Robert O'Brien and Marc Williams, eds., *Global Political Economy*, 5th edition, Palgrave Macmillan, 2016.

For additional background reading of direct relevance to the course, the following books are recommended.

John Ravenhill, ed. *Global Political Economy*, 5th edition. Oxford University Press, 2017.

Jeffrey A. Frieden, *Global Capitalism: Its Fall and Rise in the Twentieth Century*. Norton, 2006.

William Coleman and Louis Pauly, eds., *Global Ordering: Institutions and Autonomy in a Changing World*. Vancouver: University of British Columbia Press, 2008.

Edgar Grande and Louis Pauly, eds. *Complex Sovereignty: Reconstituting Political Authority in the Twenty-First Century*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2005.

Adam Tooze, *Crashed: How a Decade of Financial Crises Changed the World*, New York: Viking, 2018.

Weekly assignments as well as supplementary resources are listed below. Assignments preceded by an asterisk are required. Please come to class prepared to discuss them in depth.

September 11: Course Overview

September 18: Systemic Context

* O'Brien and Williams, Introduction and Chapters 1 and 2.

*Listen to interview with Margaret MacMillan on World War I.

<https://www.cbc.ca/radio/ideas/margaret-macmillan-and-world-war-one-1.2684426>

Recommended: Watch <http://freedocumentaries.org/documentary/the-fog-of-war#watch-film>

Margaret MacMillan, *The War that Ended Peace*.

Christopher Clark, *The Sleepwalkers: How Europe Went to War in 1914*.

Margaret MacMillan, *Paris 1919*.

S.C.M. Paine, *The Wars for Asia; 1911-1949*.

John Keegan, *The Second World War*.

Timothy Snyder, *Bloodlands: Europe Between Hitler and Stalin*.

G. John Ikenberry, *After Victory*.

September 25: Political Foundations of Capitalism

* O'Brien and Williams, Chapters 3 and 4.

*Listen to <http://www.davidcayley.com/podcasts?category=Karl+Polanyi>

Ravenhill, Chapter 2.

Karl Polanyi, *The Great Transformation*.

Susan Strange, *States and Markets*.

Robert Cox, *Production, Power, and World Order*.

Immanuel Wallerstein, *The Capitalist World Economy*.

Fred Block, *Origins of International Economic Disorder*.
Steven Krasner, ed. *International Regimes*.

October 2: Security and Collective Action on a Shared Planet

ESSAY PROSPECTUS DUE

- * O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 14.
- * Garrett Hardin, "The Tragedy of the Commons," *Science* Vol. 162, 1968, 1243-1248.
<http://science.sciencemag.org/content/162/3859/1243.full>
- * Watch the videos and read the text at <https://www.history.com/topics/world-war-ii/the-holocaust>

Ravenhill, Chapters 1 and 3.

Coleman and Pauly, Chapters 1 and 2.

Robert Gilpin, *The Political Economy of International Relations*.

Robert Keohane and Joseph Nye, *Power and Interdependence*.

Hedley Bull, *The Anarchical Society*.

Mancur Olson, *The Logic of Collective Action*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1965: 5-52.

Elinor Ostrom, *Governing the commons: The evolution of institutions for collective action*.

Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1990.

Amos Tversky and Daniel Kahneman, "Rational Choice and the Framing of Decisions," *The Journal of Business* vol. 59:4, 1986, S251-S278.

Herbert A. Simon, "Human Nature in Politics: The Dialogue of Psychology with Political Science," *The American Political Science Review* vol. 79:2, 1985, 293-304.

Steven Pinker, *The Better Angels of Our Nature*, Penguin, 2012.

October 9: Global Economic Order after 1945

- * O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 5.
- * Gideon Rose, "The Fourth Founding: The United States and the Liberal Order," *Foreign Affairs*, January/February 2019.
<https://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/united-states/2018-12-11/fourth-founding>

Ravenhill, Chapter 4.

Benjamin J. Cohen, *International Political Economy: An Intellectual History*.

John Mearsheimer, *The Great Delusion: Liberal Dreams and International Realities*, New Haven, Yale University Press, 2018.

October 16: The Global Trading System

ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY DUE

- * O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 6.
- * Scan articles on Canada-US Trade and Investment Disputes: <http://hermancorp.net/>

Ravenhill Chapters 5 and 6.

Helen V. Milner, "International Trade," in *Handbook of International Relations*, Carlsnaes, Risse

and Simmons eds., Los Angeles: Sage, 2013: Chapter 29.
Andrew Walton, "What is Fair Trade?" *Third World Quarterly* vol. 31:3, 2010, 431-447.

October 23: The Politics of Global Finance

* O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 8.

* Louis Pauly, "Managing Financial Emergencies in an Integrating World," *Globalizations*, vol. 6, no. 3, September 2009, pp. 353-364.

*Watch "Global Financial Meltdown," <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VQzEWEgJLP0>

Ravenhill, Chapters 7 and 8.

Susan Strange, "Finance, Information and Power" *Review of International Studies* vol. 16:3, 1990, 259-274.

Benjamin Cohen, "The Macrofoundations of Monetary Power," in *International Monetary Power*, Andrews ed., Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2006: 31-50.

Barbara Stallings, "The Globalization of Capital Flows: Who Benefits?," *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences*, Vol. 610, 2007, 202-216.

Carla Norlöf, "Key Currency Competition: The Euro versus the Dollar," *Cooperation and Conflict* vol. 44:4, 2009, 420-442.

October 30: Economic Development and Environmental Change

* O'Brien and Williams, Chapters 11 and 12.

Ravenhill, Chapters 13 and 14.

John Williamson, "The Washington Consensus as Policy Prescription for Development,"
Institute for International Economics, 2004. Available at:
<http://www.iie.com/publications/papers/williamson0204.pdf>

Jacqueline Best, *Governing Failure: Provisional Expertise and the Transformation of Development Finance*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2014.

Steven Bernstein, *The Compromise of Liberal Environmentalism*, New York: Columbia University Press, 2001.

Graeme Auld, Stefan Renckens and Benjamin Cashore, "Transnational Private Governance between the Logics of Empowerment and Control," *Regulation & Governance*, vol. 9: 2015, 108-124.

November 13: Industrial Production on a Global Scale

* O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 7 and 9.

* John Gerard Ruggie, "Multinationals as global institutions: Power, authority, and relative autonomy," *Regulation & Governance*, vol. 12: 2018, 317-333.

Ravenhill, Chapter 11.

Paul Doremus, et al., *The Myth of the Global Corporation*, Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1998.

Nathan M. Jensen, "Democratic Governance and Multinational Corporations: Political Regimes and Inflows of Foreign Direct Investment," *International Organization*, vol. 57:3, 2003, 587-616.

November 20: Identity, Justice, and Legitimacy

COMPLETE ESSAY DUE

* O'Brien and Williams, Chapters 10 and 13.

Ravenhill, Chapter 9.

Francis Fukuyama, *Identity: The Demand for Dignity and the Politics of Resentment*.

Thomas Nagel, "The Problem of Global Justice," *Philosophy and Public Affairs* vol. 33:2, 2005, 113-147.

Steven Bernstein and William Coleman, eds. *Unsettled Legitimacy: Political Community, Power, and Authority in a Global Era*.

Ian Clark, "Legitimacy in a Global Order," *Review of International Studies* vol. 29, S1, 2003, 75-95.

Tim Dunne and Christian Reus-Smit, eds., *The Globalization of International Society*.

David Held and Pietro Maffettone, eds., *Global Political Theory*.

November 27: The Challenge of Global Economic Governance

* O'Brien and Williams, Chapter 15.

Ravenhill, Chapter 10.

Ernst B. Haas, *The Uniting of Europe and Beyond the Nation State*.

Andrew Hurrell, *On Global Order: Power, Values, and the Constitution of International Society*.

Miles Kahler and David Lake, eds., *Governance in a Global Economy*.

Robert O. Keohane, *After Hegemony*.

Jonathan Fenby, *The History of Modern China: The Fall and Rise of a Great Power*, 3rd edition.

John Gerard Ruggie, *Constructing the World Polity*.

Sophie Meunier and Karen Alter. "The Politics of International Regime Complexity," *Perspectives on Politics*, vol. 7, no. 1, 2009, 13-24.

Tana Johnson, *Organizational Progeny*.

Kenneth W. Abbott, et al., eds., *International Organizations as Orchestrators*.

Henry Farrell and Abraham L. Newman, "Domestic Institutions beyond the Nation-State: Charting the New Interdependence Approach," *World Politics*, vol. 66, no. 2, April 2014, 331-363.

Tanja A. Börzel and Thomas Risse, eds. *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Regionalism*.

Markus Brunnermeier, Harold James, and Jean-Pierre Landau, *The Euro and the Battle of Ideas*.

C. Randall Henning, *Tangled Governance: International Regime Complexity, the Troika, and the Euro Crisis*.

December 4: World Risk Society

TEST IN CLASS

* Louis Pauly, "Governing Global Risks":

http://munkschool.utoronto.ca/pauly/selected_publications/Pauly%20WZB%20Paper%20May%2023%202014.pdf

Dieter Ernst and David Hart, "Governing the Global Knowledge Economy":

<http://www.eastwestcenter.org/publications/governing-global-knowledge-economy-mind-gap>

Ulrich Beck, *World at Risk*, Cambridge: Polity, 2009.