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UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA Department of Political Science

Political Science 332 International Organizations Fall Semester, 2002 F.L. Grieves Office: LA 352 Hrs.:

Course purpose is to provide a theoretical and political examination of the United Nations (and selected other organizations) as an instrument of international cooperation.

<u>Course objectives</u>: Upon successful completion of this course, the student should be able to demonstrate 1) factual knowledge of the historical-theoretical context of the modern United Nations and selected other international organizations, 2) familiarity with research sources relevant to international organizations, and 3) competence in preparing a short research paper and presenting it to a class.

1. <u>TEXTS</u>: Amos Yoder, <u>The Evolution of the United Nations System</u> (3rd ed.), Maryann Cusimano Love, <u>Beyond Sovereignty</u> (2nd ed.), and Kate Turabian, <u>A Manual for Writers</u> (6th ed.).

2. <u>EXAMS</u>: <u>Midterm</u> (90 points; 45% of final grade) --<u>Friday, Oct.</u> <u>18</u>; <u>Final</u> (100 points; 50% of final grade) --<u>Fri, Dec. 20</u> (8:00-10:00). <u>Grading Scale</u>: total score \div 2 (90s=A, 80s=B, 70s=C, 60s=D, 59 & below = F)

3. <u>RESEARCH PAPER</u>: (to be explained in class) <u>Topic picked by</u>: <u>Oct. 7 (Mon); Paper Due</u>: <u>Oct. 21 (Mon); Paper collected</u>: <u>Oct. 25</u> <u>(Fri). PAPER</u>: 5-10 pages, <u>including</u> endnotes and bibliography, double-spaced, typed, uneven right margin, collected at BEGINNING of class. Late papers will <u>NOT</u> be graded. Submission of a paper, however, is required to receive a grade in the class. Oral discussion dates announced after papers handed in. Papers are graded on the basis of use of <u>scholarly</u> research sources, organization and clarity of prose (incl. grammar, punctuation & spelling) and formal paper mechanics (Turabian manual). (10 points; 5% of final grade)

<u>COURSE</u>	<u>OUTLINE</u> (Yoder = Y; Cusimano = C)	REFERENCE
	(UN Chart = UN Charter)	
I.	Background	Y, Ch. I
	a. Nature of the State & Intl. Relations: state & human values	C, Ch. 1
• .	b. Dev. of Intl . Organization c. League of Nations	
II.	The United Nations a. Establishment & Const. Framework 1) allocating values at the	Y, Ch. II, III UN Chart, Pre- amble, Ch. 1-4

global level

16-19 C, Ch. 2-7

	 b. General Assembly Membership, Organization, Functions Representation of "Red China" Parliamentary Diplomacy/Prob. of Voting e. Financial Crisis: what is a state's "fair share" of the U.N. budget? 	· · · ·
III.	<pre>Maintenance of Intl. Peace & Security a. Security Council 1) Membership, Org., Functions 2) Collective Security & En- forcement Action 3) Veto/"Uniting for Peace" Resolution 4) Peacekeeping</pre>	Y, Ch. IV, V, VI, VII UN Charter, Ch. 5-8, 14
	 b. Rule of Law: ICJ/Intl. Law Commission 1) state goals & human rights 2) legal frameworks & a "just" world c. Pacific Settlement of Disputes d. Disarmament: moral views on war & peace 	ICJ Statute, Arts. 36 & 38
IV.	International Administration a. Secretariat & Secretary-General	Y, Ch. X, UN Chart, Ch. 15
v.	<pre>Economic & Social Activities a. ECOSOC & Specialized Agencies b. "haves" v. "have-nots": the "just" sharing of the world's resources</pre>	Y, VIII, IX UN Charter, Ch. 9-10
VI.	Trusteeship & Dependent Peoples a. Trusteeship Council and Non- Self-Governing Territories	UN Charter, Ch. 11-13
VII.	<u>Regionalism</u>	UN Charter, Ch. 8
VIII.	<u>Perspective</u> a. Ethical relationships & choices	Y, Ch. XI C, Ch. 8-14
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NOTE: Monday, October 14 is the last day to drop classes or change grading option.

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