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UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA Department of Political Science

Political Science 332E International Organizations Summer Session, 1999 F.L. Grieves Office: LA 350 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.

Course objectives: 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>: Robt. Riggs & Jack Plano, <u>The United Nations</u>: <u>International Organization and World Politics</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>Wed.</u>, <u>June 9</u>; <u>Final</u> (100 points; 50% of final grade)--<u>Fri.</u>, <u>June 25 Grading</u> <u>Scale</u>: total score ÷ 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>June 4 (Fri)</u>; <u>Paper Due</u>: <u>June 14 (Mon)</u>.

<u>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 scholarly research sources, organization and clarity of prose (incl. grammar, punctuation & spelling) and formal paper mechanics (Turabian manual). (10 points; 5% of final grade)

COURSE OUTLINE

REFERENCE

R & P, Ch. 1

I. Background

- Nature of the State & Intl.
 Relations: state & human values
- b. Dev. of Intl . Organization
- c. League of Nations

II. The United Nations

a. Establishment & Const. Framework
 l) allocating values at the global level

R & P, Ch. 2 (17-29, 36-41) Ch. 3; Charter Preamble, Ch. 1-4, 16-19 General Assembly

b.

		1) Membership, Organization, Functions	
	c.	Representation of "Red China"	
	d.	Parliamentary Diplomacy/Prob. of Voting	
	e.	Financial Crisis: what is a state's "fair share" of the U.N. budget?	
III.	Mair a.	security Council 1) Membership, Org., Functions 2) Collective Security & Enforcement Action 3) Veto/"Uniting for Peace" Resolution 4) Peacekeeping	R & P, Ch. 2 (29-32, 35-36) Ch. 5, 6, 7 UN Charter, Ch. 5-8, 14
	b. c. d.	Rule of Law: ICJ/Intl. Law Commission 1) state goals & human rights 2) legal frameworks & a "just" world Pacific Settlement of Disputes	ICJ Statute, Arts. 36 & 38
IV.		ernational Administration Secretariat & Secretary-General	R&P, Ch.2 (36) Ch.4; UN Char- ter, Ch.15
٧.		nomic & Social Activities ECOSOC & Specialized Agencies "haves" v. "have-nots": the "just" sharing of the world's resources	R&P, Ch.2 (32-34), 9,10,11 UN Charter, Ch. 9-10
VI.	Trus	steeship & Dependent Peoples Trusteeship Council and Non- Self-Governing Territories	R&P, Ch. 2(34-35), Ch. 8; UN Charter, Ch. 11-13
VII.	Regi	lonalism	Charter, Ch. 8
VIII.		spective Ethical relationships & choices	R&P, Ch. 12