

**POLI 2057 Section 1**  
**Fall 2011**  
**Introduction to International Politics**  
**Monday 5:00-8:00pm; 218 Coates**

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**OFFICE HOURS** 9:30–10:30 MWF  
11:30-12:30 MWF  
3:00-5:00 MW

**OBJECTIVE:** Poli Sci 2057 is a general education requirement course for social science undergraduates. The course is designed to provide students with an introductory insight into the process, the progress and the problems in the conduct of world politics. In particular, we will discuss the flow of change and continuity as well as the twists of conflict and cooperation in World Affairs. By the end of the semester, it is expected that students should have been educated in the knowledge of global interaction to the extent that they can explain and analyze events and trends in the contemporary world.

The University strives toward the following objectives for general education courses:

- Objective # 1: to demonstrate mastery of factual knowledge of the subject matter.
- Objective #2: to demonstrate an understanding of the levels of association ranging from friend and family to civilizations of global significance.
- Objective #3: to demonstrate an understanding of Diversity of Cultures across time and space as well as universal social characteristics and global networks.

**TEXTBOOK:** There is only one textbook required for this course.

Steven L. Lamy: Introduction to Global Politics  
Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011

In addition, NYT readings will be assigned.

**EXAM & PAPERS:**

As part of the general education requirement, (all sections of 2057) will do standard multiple choice questions during the midterm and final. There will be other multiple choice questions assigned from the NYT.

A major essay question will also be administered to all 2057 sections. Much of the content of the midterm and final exam (essays and definitions) come from the lectures.

You will select an on-going topic in the news and examine key issues and themes generated from it in your research paper topic.

**GRADES/ASSIGNMENT DATES:** Will be determined according to the follow formula:

Class Participation	10 pts.
Early Take Home	10 pts. (Due Fri. Sept. 9)
In Class Midterm	20 pts. (Due Mon. Oct. 3)
Multiple Choce Tests	10 pts. (During Midterm & before Final)
Research Paper	10 pts. (Due Nov. 14)
FINAL (Take Home)	<u>40 pts.</u> (Return on Mon. Dec. 5; 10:00-12:00 Noon)
	100 pts.

**A=88-100; B=87.9-78; C=77.9-68; D=67.9-60; F=below 60.**

## LECTURE OUTLINE

- Aug. 22 Course Introduction: Relevance and Complexity  
Reading: Lamy, Chapter 1
- Aug. 29 Background to the Study of World Politics  
Lamy, Chapter 2
- Sept. 9, Fri. Return Take Home Exam
- Sept. 5 The Theories of International Relations  
Lamy, Chapter 3 & 4
- Sept.12 The Actors of World Politics  
Lamy, Chapter 5, 6, & 7  
The Role of Domestic Context  
Lamy, Page 148-157
- Sept. 19 Conflict in World Politics: The Conduct of War  
Lamy, Chapter 8, 9, & 10
- Sept.26 Cooperation in World Politics: The Conduct of Diplomacy  
Lamy, TBD
- Oct.03 Midterm Exam (In Class) Includes Multiple Choice Section
- Oct. 10-17 Relations Among Industrialized Countries:  
The U.S. and EU, Japan & Canada  
Lamy, Chapter 11 & 12
- Oct.24-31 Relations Between Industrialized and Developing Countries:  
The Changing Tides  
Lamy, Chapter 13
- Nov. 14 Turn in Research Papers
- Nov. 07 Relations with Communist and Former Communist States  
TBD
- Nov. 14 Transculturalism
- Nov. 21 Global Problems  
Lamy, Chapter 14
- Nov. 28 NYT Multiple Choice Test/Review Session/Course Evaluation
- Dec. 05 Take Home Final Exam: Return between 10:00-12:00 Noon