DETAILED SYLLABI, COURSES OF READING FOR M.A. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Note: Total credit hours of this course are 66 in which 15 courses (51 credit hours) are compulsory and 5 courses (15 Credit Hours) are optional. Research work / Thesis of 6 credit hours as optional, is included in 4th semester

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The purpose of this course is to analyze the basic factors, concepts in the field of international relations. The contents of the course are:

**Introduction to Basic factors and concepts**

1. **Introduction to International Relations**
   - Meaning, definition and significance
   - Scope
   - Development of International Relations

2. **Modern Sovereign state-system**
   - Meaning
   - Evolution, Origin and development
   - Characteristics and features
   - Crisis or decay?

3. **The phenomenon of power**
   - Nature and Kinds of Power
   - National Power
     - Definition and nature
     - Elements of national power
   - Balance of Power
     - Meaning
     - Characteristics
     - Types of balance
     - Devices and methods
     - Critical Evaluation
     - Power Politics
     - Nature and assumptions
     - Patterns of Power Politics

4. **National interest**
   - Meaning
   - Types of National Interest
   - Instruments and methods for promotion of national interest

5. **Nationalism**
   - Meaning and origin
   - Positive & negative effects of nationalism
   - Prospects for nationalism
Reference Books
2. Columbus, Theodore, Introduction to International Relations; Power and Justice, (New Delhi: Prentice Hall, 1878).

| IRS-553 | International Relations since 1945-I | 3(3-0) |

East – West Relations
World War – II and its perspective
Impact of World War II on the structure of World Politics
Emergence of Super Powers,
Bipolarity, East-West Confrontation,
Cold War.
Sino-Soviet Split,
Sino-American Rapprochement
Détente – East-West Cooperation,
Peaceful Co-existence

The Third World
Decolonization
Non-aligned Movement in the New World Order
Muslim World and the OIC
North – South Dialogue

**Post-Cold War Era/New World Order**
The Disintegration of the Soviet Union
East Europe after the Cold War.
Russia in the Post-Soviet Setting

**Reference Books**

| IRS-555 | Theories of International Relations | 4(4-0) |

The first and foremost Purpose of this paper is to introduce to the students the different theories in International Relations. This course will enable the students to understand the dynamics of World politics through different approaches and identify the problems and issues of International politics and find their solutions keeping in mind the various schools of thoughts in the field of International relations. This is also a comparative analysis of different approaches, theories, and paradigms presented by different scholars regarding the global issues. The contents of the course are following:

Thinking theoretically to interpret global issues
The Elusive Quest for theory
The importance of theory building in International Relations
The Evolution of theoretical Inquiry
The difference between a theory, an approach, and a paradigm
Liberalism
Idealists, the origin, development and evolution
The Idealist World View
Collective security, self-determination, and international peace
The Idealist Reform Program
Criticisms

**Realists**
The origin, development, and evolution
The Realist World View
Real Politik, power, Self-help, state sovereignty, national interest,
The limitations of Realism
Realism in the Nuclear age
Criticisms

**Behavioralists**
The origin, development, and evolution
Behavioral scientists
Structural realism, neotraditional realism, deconstructivism
Behavioral science and the advancement in International Relations
Post behavioral moment

**Neo-Realism**
The structural extension of Realism
The neoclassical Extension of Realism
Neorealism versus neoliberalism
Relative and absolute gains
Security studies and neo-realism

**Neo-Liberalism**
The Varieties of Liberalism
The liberal responses to globalization
Feminist theory, complex interdependence, non-state actors, globalization, international regimes
The neo-neo debate
The neo-Liberalism and its current critics

**System Approach**
The origin, development, and evolution
The key features of the theory
Criticisms

**Decision-making Approach**
Salient features
Different models and styles of Decision-making at the Global level
Determinants of decision-making at different levels
Effective decision-making

**Communication and Integration**
The Political Communication
The role of Communication in International Politics
The Theory of Integration
The origin, meanings, and methods to achieve integration
The integration and disintegration

**Reference Books**
2. Chilcole, Ronal H., Theories of Comparative Politics: The Research Paradigm, Boulder; West View 1981.

| IRS-557 | Foreign Policy Analysis | 4(4-0) |

This course is designed to equip the students with skills helpful to analyze the making of foreign policy following are the contents of course:

Importance of Foreign Policy in International Relations
Principles: Governing the selection of aims and objectives of Foreign Policy
Determinants of Foreign Policy
Inputs of Foreign Policy

Role of Head of Government
Foreign Minister
Foreign Office
Parliament
Media
Public Opinion
Pressure Groups
Political Parties
Intelligence Agencies

External Factors of Foreign Policy making (Transitional Factors)
Foreign Policy making in USA
Foreign Policy making in People’s Republic of China
Foreign Policy making in India
Foreign Policy making in Pakistan
Foreign Policy making in Iran and Turkey
New Trends in Foreign Policy making
The purpose of this course is to initiate the students into understanding of International Law. Students should be equipped with the ability to apply principles and rules of International Law to various instances of International Politics. The course Contents are:

**Introduction to International Law:**
Nature
Scope and Functions of International Law
Sources of International Law,
Subjects of International Law.

**Relationship between**
International Law and Municipal Law

**International Personality:**
Recognition of States and Governments,
Loss of International Personality
(State succession) Acquisition of Territory.

The Law and the Individual:
Nationality
Protection of Aliens
Human Rights
Extradition and Refugees

Responsibilities and Immunities of States:
Sovereign Immunities
Privileges and Immunities of Diplomatic and Consular Staff

Humanitarian Intervention
Law of Treaties.
Law of Sea:
Territorial Sea,
Contiguous zone,
Exclusive Economic Zone,
Continental shelf,
High Seas,
Deep sea bed area.

Law of Armed Conflict:
Legal Constraints of the use of force
International humanitarian law and neutrality.

Reference Books
2. Principles of Public International Law, Ian Brownlie, CBE, QC, FBA, Oxford University Press New York, 2004
4. International Law in World Politics: An Introduction, Shirlay V. Scott. Lynne Reinner Publisher, Delhi. 2005

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| IRS-552 | International Regional Organizations   | 3(3-0) |

The course is designed to focus on the working of international and regional organizations. The purpose is to find out the extent to which these organizations assist in setting up a peaceful international order. The contents are:
International Organizations and concept of world government.
Definition, nature, evolution, and objectives of international organizations

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This course deals with the dynamics of Pakistan’s foreign Policy and its role in world affairs. The course includes:

- Determinants of Pakistan’s Foreign Policy.
- Aims and objectives of Pakistan’s Foreign Policy
- Principles of Pakistan’s Foreign Policy
- The internal dynamics of Pakistan’s Foreign Policy
- Pakistan’s threat perceptions.
- The different phases of Pakistan’s Foreign Policy
Pakistan’s relations with Regional Countries: South Asian countries, Afghanistan, China and Iran.  
Pakistan’s relations with Major Powers: USA, Russia (Russian Federation) Europe.  
Pakistan’s role in Afro-Asian world  
Pakistan and the Islamic world/Middle East.  
Pakistan’s relations with Central Asian Republics  
Pakistan in United Nations  
Pakistan and Contemporary World Issues

**Recommended Books**
1. Ahmed, Mushtaq, Pakistan’s Foreign Policy, (Karachi: 1967)  
5. Burke, S.M. Pakistan’s Foreign Policy, an Historical Analysis, (Karachi, Oxford University Press, 1980).  

**IRS-556 International Political Economy**

This course intends to acquaint the students with an analysis of the importance of Economics in International Relations. The course includes:

1. Political Economy – Introduction  
2. Relationship between Political Economy and International Politics  
3. Ideologies in Political Economy  
   Realism / Liberal Perspective  
   Marxist/Structuralism perspective  
   Nationalist perspective  
4. Theories of political economy  
   Theory of Dual Political Economy  
   Theory of Structural change
Theory of Hegemonic sustainability

5. International Political Economy and Globalization
   IPE, Globalization and the west
   IPE, Globalization and the rest (Developing world)

6. Globalization and regionalism
   European Union
   Asean
   SAARC
   OIC

7. Multinational Corporations (MNCs) and International Trade
   International Financial Institutions (IFIs) and World Trade Organizations and GATT
   MNCs and Environmental concerns
   International trade and the developing world

8. Globalizations and its impact on Pakistan
   Impact on politics
   Impact on Economy
   Impact of Social system
   Impact on Environment
   Understanding the phenomenon of Globalization, Its emergence & evolution

**Recommended Books**
Thomas Oatley, International Political Economy
John, Ravehill (edit.,) Global Political Economy
Rana Eijaz Ahmad, Globalization and Its impact on Pakistan
Alison, M.S. Watson, An introduction to Political Economy

| IRS-558 | Introduction and Issues of International Relations-II | 4(4-0) |

**Global Issues in International Relations**

1. Population
   Issues and concerns
   Features
   Reasons for increase in Population

2. Human Rights
   Historical perspective
   Kinds of rights
   Reasons, why Human Rights have become a matter of international interest and concern
   Enforcing Human Rights

3. Environment
   Nature and issue
   Various international concerns/issues of environment i.e., Global warming, Ozone
depletion, Acid rain, Desertification & Deforestation
Efforts towards protection of environment

4. Proliferation of Weapons
Nature of problem
Arms control & disarmament
Reason for arms control
Obstacles to arms control
Major steps/efforts towards arms control & disarmament

Reference Books
2. Columbus, Theodore, Introduction to International Relations; Power and Justice, (New Delhi: Prentice Hall, 1878).

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| United Nations Organization in the Uni-polar World
| Emerging Regionalism, Economic Organizations: European Union, Economic Cooperation Organization, Association of South East Asian Nations, NAFTA, AFTA, & APEC. |
| New World Order and the Selected Regional & International Issues
| The Gulf War |
The Bosnian Tragedy
The Kashmir Dispute
The Islamic Revivalism
The Palestine Issue
The Afghan Crisis
The New Role and Expansion of NATO

New Poles of International Power and Influence
Rise of China as a Major Power
Emergence of Japan and Germany as Economic Powers
Emergence of United Europe
Rise of the Asia-Pacific region

Reference Books

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| IRS-651 | Research Methodology | 3(3-0) |

Research Methodology
Theory
Elements of Scientific Thinking
Propositions
Concepts
Hypothesis
Variables and Indicators
Transformation of Theoretical Question into Research Design
Source of Knowledge: Typologies of Sources and their reliability.
Methodology, Theoretical perspective of Research, definition, objectives
Preparation of Research Proposal
Preparation, Processing and Presentation of Data
Use of Library and Bibliographic Search
Methods of Research: Sampling Techniques, Contents Analysis and Survey,
Questionnaire, Interview and Participant Observation
Research Paper writing: Incorporation of Facts, Statements and Quotations in a Research
Paper
Citation Techniques and Bibliographic Entries

Reference Books:

| IRS-653 | Conflict Management and Resolution | 3(3-0) |

1. Conflict Resolution as a Field of Study
   Concept
   Scope
   Relevance
   2. Conflict Environment
      The Psychological Dimension
      Political Aspects
      Cultural Aspects
      Economic Variables
      The Role of the Interest Groups
      The Role of the Media
   3. Techniques of Conflict Resolution:
      Negotiation: New Trends in Negotiation Theory
      Good Offices
      Role of Communications
      Mediation in International Relations
      Commission of Enquiry
      Conciliation
      Arbitration
      Adjudication
      Improvements in the Bargaining Strategies
      Conflict Analysis
      Low Intensity Conflict
      High Intensity Conflict
      International Conflict
      Non-International Conflict
   4. Conflict Prevention and Prevention:
      From Prevention to Prevention
Problems of Prediction
Systemic Analysis of Dispute and Conflict, Confidence Building Measures

5. The Future of Conflict Resolution as an Academic Discipline
Conflict Resolution as a Means of Change
Conflict Resolution as a Political System
Case Studies
Gulf War
South Africa
Palestinian Issue
Kashmir Dispute

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Definitions, Nature and Development of Diplomacy
Kinds of Diplomacy
Role and functions of Diplomats
Diplomatic and consular immunities and privileges
The art of negotiations
Pre-negotiations
Around the table negotiations
Diplomatic momentum
Packaging agreements

The modes of Diplomacy
Telecommunications
Bilateral diplomacy (Conventional)
Bilateral diplomacy (un-conventional)
Multilateral diplomacy
Summitry
Mediation

7. Public Diplomacy

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<th>Foreign Policy of Neighbouring Countries(China, India, Afghanistan &amp; Iran)</th>
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This course is designed to evolve a deeper sense of critical appreciation of the foreign policies of neighboring countries. The contents of the course are:

**Afghanistan:**
An overview: Geopolitical importance of Afghanistan; Afghanistan since King Amanullah Khan.
History of Soviet-Afghanistan Relations: Emergence of Leftist Movement in Afghanistan. Soviet intervention in Afghanistan and its Implications for Pakistan and Afghanistan.
Afghanistan today

**China:**
Short history of China
Maoist era in China
Mao’s philosophy of Chinese Communism, Mao’s political and economic reforms; cultural revolution and its impact.
China’s Strategic Environment.
Aims and objectives of Chinese foreign policy; Geo-political importance of China: Sino-Soviet Relations; Chinese-Indian hostility in the 1960s.
US-Chinese Détente in the 1970s
Russian –Chinese relations; The end of Cold War and its impact on China. China and the world order, China’s Nuclear Policy.

**India:**
Historical dimensions of Indian foreign policy; Nehru’s foreign policy Indian federalism, secularism, nationalism and regionalism.
Issues in India’s Foreign Policy
India in the Changing World

**Iran:**
Iran’s background: Geopolitical importance of Iran; The establishment of Phelvi Dynasty.
Iran between the two World Wars
The Era of Mohammad Raza Shah Phelvi
The dynamics of Islamic revolution: Its implications and impact
Iran in the post Cold War era.

**Reference Books**

| IRS-659 | Defense and Strategic Studies | 3(3-0) |

This course focuses on different dimensions of strategy in International Relations. The contents of the course are:
Introduction, Definition, nature and scope of Strategy and Strategic Studies.
The evolution of strategic studies as a discipline
Development of modern technology & its impact on strategy
Role of defense in international system
The phenomenon of war: The changing nature of warefare.
Study of Strategists
Mahan
Douhet
Sun Tzu
Machiavelli
Kautiliya
Clausewitz
Nature & dynamics of Nuclear Strategy
Deterrence
Nuclear Non Proliferation
Disarmament, & Arms Control

Reference Books
1. Berry Buzan, An Introduction to Strategic Studies,
4. John Baylis, Strategy in the contemporary world, California, Oxford University Press,
5. Lawrence Freedman, The evolution of Nuclear strategy
6. Clausewitz, On War

| IRS-661 | Terrorism and Counter Terrorism | 3(3-0) |

The basic objective of this course is an in depth study of the phenomenon of terrorism, its root causes, forces behind, types of terrorism and efforts for containing terrorism. The
course is divided into two parts: First Part deals with basic concepts of terrorism, historical development and various kinds of terrorism. An analysis of bio-terrorism, threat of nuclear terrorism and state terrorism is also a major concern of this course. While second part is focusing on the counter terrorism, its definition, meanings, war against terrorism. It will also be examining the response of international community in containing it, as well as the role and scope of International Law in this regard.

1. Terrorism:
   Definition
   Meaning
   Basic Concepts
   Causes and Motivations
   Historical Overview of Terrorism
   Face of Terrorism – Political, Ethnic, and Religious etc.
   State Terrorism
   Bio-terrorism – threat of nuclear terrorism.

2. Counter Terrorism
   Meanings
   Definition
   Methods and Techniques
   War Against Terrorism
   International Community’s response
   History and 9/11
   Globalization
   Global Order and Terrorism
   Emerging New Trends
   Terrorism of the future
   Efforts for Containing it
   Role of International Law.

Reference Books
7. K. Bushan, Nuclear, Biological and Chemical warfare.
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**Theoretical Concepts**
Origin and Development of Nuclear Weapon Technology
Nature of Nuclear Proliferation
Technical and Political Aspect
Vertical and Horizontal Proliferation
Deterrence, Theoretical aspect and its kinds, issues and responses
Nuclear weapon states
Threshold states (Iran, Israel)

**Practical Debate**
Nuclear non-proliferation regimes
Role of UN to stop Nuclear proliferation
Major treaties, and efforts regulating NPT, CTBT

**Case Studies**
Regional Nuclear Proliferation
Case study of South-Asia
India and Pakistani Nuclear Doctrine
India’s Nuclear program
Pakistan’s Nuclear program
Application of deterrence theory

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Foreign Policy: Definition & importance in the global politics.
Determinants of Foreign Policy; introduction
Fixed Determinants of Foreign Policy
Variable Determinants of Foreign Policy
Importance of Determinants in F.P. of USA, China, Russia
Cold War
Nature and Origin of Cold War
Causes of Cold War
Evolution of Cold War
Impacts of Cold War
Contemporary analysis

Détente
Elements of Détente
Causes of Détente
Evolution of Détente
Impacts of Détente

Sino-Soviet Relation
Development and nature of relationship
Causes of conflict
Sino-American relation
Transformation since 1971
Relation in post Cold war
Contemporary Scenario

Major Powers and Middle East
Importance in global politics
Contemporary scenario

Disintegration of USSR and its Impacts
New World Order
War on Terrorism and its Impact on global politics

Reference Books

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**IRS-656 | Strategic Dynamics of Central Asia | 3(3-0)**

Defining the region
Core Countries
Profile of Kazakhstan
Profile of Kirghizstan
Profile of Tajikistan
Profile of Turkmenistan
Profile of Uzbekistan

Geo-strategic importance of Central Asia
Economic and Policies of States
Economic Policies
Military capabilities
Political factor
Ethnic issues
Foreign policy orientations

Common wealth of Independent States (CIS)
Linkages outside the regional
Prospects, problems of cooperation, between Pakistan & Central Asia
US involvement in Central Asia.

**Reference Books**
2. Andre, *Recent Political Development in Central Asia*
4. Andre Gunder, Frank, *The certainty of Central Asia*

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**IRS-658 | Contemporary Issues of Middle East | 3(3-0)**

Introduction to the Muslim World
Strategic location, Economy, Issues
Islamic Organization GCC
Contemporary Issues in the Middle East
Emergence of the Gulf Region
Importance in the Muslim World
Water Conflict in the Middle East
Suez Canal Crisis
The Palestine Issue
Historical Background and its Importance
Contemporary Conflicts of the Middle East
Latest Uprising in the Arab World

**Recommended Books:**
1. Strategic Dynamics of West Asia by Dr. Nazir Hussain (HEC 2010)
3. Islam and the West by Lewis Bernard (Latest Edition)
6. What is Middle East by Peretz Don. (Latest Edition)
7. Loh-e-Ayam by Masud Mukhtar (Latest Edition)

All Politics are embedded in geographical space. Political examines the ways in which humans have arranged the territory of earth’s surface. This course concern itself with the internal and external relationships of politically organized areas. This course examines the effects of political actions on social and economic conditions and with the significance of geographical factors behind political situations, problems and conflicts.

**Course Objectives:**
1. Discuss the meaning and history behind the concept of “Nation”, “state”, and “nation state”.
2. Explore the background of various regional conflicts, boundaries disputes and social problems.
3. Compare distribution of major political system and their application to “territory”.
4. Consider how geography impacts international law, empires and civil divisions.
5. Understand the politics of trade, migration, language, ethnicity, ecology, and the environment.

**State territory and Regulations**
- Nation state and Minority groups.
- The state and global perspective.
- The state’s changes Forma and functions.

**Politics Power and Place**
- The political Geographies of the Nations.
- Politics, power and place.
- Contesting Place.
Peoples, Policy and Geography

- Democracy, participation and Citizenship
- Public policy and political Geography

Population pressure, Resource Depletion and Preservation of the Environment

- Population Momentum
- From population explosion to population implosion: A Demographic Transaction?
- Environmental security and Sustainable, Development
- The Eco-politics of the Atmosphere
- Climate Change
- Climate Change Culprits
- Ozone Protection

Recommended Books