# **IAS-INTERNATIONAL & AREA STUDIES**

#### IAS 1223 Introduction to Asian Philosophy **3 Credit Hours**

(Crosslisted with PHIL 1223) Survey of the major figures and schools of philosophy in Asia. Includes study of Hinduism, Buddhism, Confucianism, and Daoism. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

#### IAS 1533 **Global Perspectives**

**3 Credit Hours** 

This course promotes an intercultural awareness that will allow students to interact more effectively with others. It will teach core cultural fluency competencies, including an understanding of different cultural norms and practices, cross-cultural communication, as well as critical thinking and problem-solving, drawing upon diverse experiences and perspectives. (F, Sp, Su) [V-FYE].

#### IAS 2003 Understanding the Global Community **3 Credit Hours**

The world today is an interdependent global community that requires an awareness of international politics and economics. This course seeks to enhance our understanding of the global community because of the impact of international relations on our lives and the lives of others around the world. (F, Sp) [III-SS] .

#### IAS 2123 China Today

#### **3 Credit Hours**

China has the largest population and standing army in the world with a GDP of over \$7 trillion. Long-term economic development of every country depends on China, and China's rapid modernization is changing the face of global politics and culture. Students will be exposed to the diversity and complexity of modern China. (F, Sp) [IV-WDC].

#### IAS 2133 International Sports

**3 Credit Hours** 

This course examines the social, political, economic, and cultural effects of sports on the global stage. In addition to surveying the history of international sport, it analyzes the relationship between sports and national identity, economic development, and global governance, among other topics, by drawing on cases from Asia, Africa, and Latin America. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

#### IAS 2970 Special Topics/Seminar

## 1-3 Credit Hours

Special Topics. 1 to 3 hours. May be repeated; Maximum credit nine hours. Special topics course for content not currently offered in regularly scheduled courses. May include library and/or laboratory research, and field projects. (Irreg.)

## IAS 3000 Special Topics in International and Area Studies

1-4 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: junior standing or permission of instructor. May be repeated with change of content; maximum credit 12 hours. Special topics are courses of variable credit that examine international or global issues. (Irreg.)

IAS 3003 Topics in International and Area Studies **3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213; May be repeated with change of content; maximum credit 15 hours. A maximum of 12 hours may be applied to the major. An examination of several selected topics in international and area studies. (Irreg.)

## IAS 3013 International Law

#### **3 Credit Hours**

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines international law. Broad issues include the different sources of international law, the relationship between international law and states, individuals and other international actors, the content of international law as it pertains to different issues areas, and how these bodies of law generally affect international relations. (Irreg.) [IV-WC] .

#### IAS 3033 International Human Rights

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines the increasingly complex body of substantive law and political practices related to the protection and promotion of human rights and fundamental freedoms in international law and politics. Explores major international and regional systems of enforcement, and the growing role of human rights in domestic politics and international relations. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3043 **Global Security**

**3 Credit Hours** 

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Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines some of the major security challenges confronting the United States and the international community in the 21st century, and how these challenges differ from our expectations of conflict -- major, minor, inter-state, and intra-state -- in recent decades. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

## IAS 3053 Globalization: The Politics of Global Governance 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course covers the actors, institutions and processes by which international cooperation and coordination are created and maintained. It emphasizes major themes including power and authority, change in institutions over time, and roles for public and private actors. Students apply theoretical and thematic knowledge to key issues like humanitarian intervention, cybersecurity, the global economy and the environment. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

## IAS 3073 Global Economic Relations

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213; ECON 1113 or ECON 1123 recommended but not required. Examines relations among states from the perspective of economic competition and cooperation. Explores political conflicts that have risen over trade, capital flows, and other international economic exchanges. The primary focus is on the role of states and international organizations in shaping the global economy. (Irreg.) [III-SS] .

#### IAS 3083 International Activism

**3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines the role that nongovernmental actors play in international relations as they work independently and in concert to advocate for various transnational causes. Specifically, explores the concept of transnational advocacy and the ways in which individual and group activists affect change around the world. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

#### IAS 3093 Global Health Perspectives

**3 Credit Hours** 

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Prerequisite: Junior standing or permission of instructor. This course provides an anthropological approach to global health. It examines how health conditions change over time as economic and social culture changes. Students will meet with health professionals and researchers in the field of health and nutrition and explore how health care is intertwined with cultural and social elements, such as the environment, the economy, religion, politics and development. (Irreg.)

## IAS 3103 Activism, Art & Leadership

Prerequisite: Departmental permission. This course is taught on-site in Arezzo, Italy, and is for President's Leadership Class students only. This course examines the leadership role that governmental actors and individual activists play in international relations and various other sectors as they work independently and collectively to advocate for certain local, regional, national and transnational causes. Specifically, the class explores the concept of international advocacy and the ways in which individual and group activists frame and promote issues of concern in an effort to affect change around the world. The goal of this course is to raise our awareness about and enhance our understanding of the multitude of actors - from individual political leaders, to nongovernmental organizations, to artists - that work to address issues of concern. (Irreg).

#### IAS 3123 Arab Visual Cultures

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course introduces students to the visual cultures that shape the Arab World, ranging from traditional Islamic calligraphy to contemporary forms of visual media, including film, political cartoons, comics, fashion, art, and social media. Students will examine how visual culture shapes and reflects Arab identities, values, and experiences, and how it challenges dominant narratives, amplifies under-represented voices, and drives change. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC] .

#### IAS 3143 **Chinese Politics**

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course provides a systematic investigation into how the political system works in contemporary China. Specifically, it will examine how the Chinese state structures and adjusts the country's political system, governs the Chinese society, performs the fundamental functions of a modern state, coordinates interests, builds system resilience, and manages political developments at home and abroad in the 21st century. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC] .

#### IAS 3153 Chinese Foreign Policy

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: junior standing or permission of instructor. Provides a comprehensive introduction to Chinese foreign policy. Examines several key issues and concepts, including China's external relations prior to "Liberation" in 1949, international relations theory, the history of the PRC's foreign relations, and vital foreign policy issues confronting China in the 21st century. (Irreg.)

IAS 3173 Work, Family, and Religion in Rural China **3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines changes over the last century in work patterns, family life, and religion in rural China. It particularly focuses on issues causing instability and transformation both in China and the developing world, including sexuality, gender, and family dynamics; the rural-urban divide; internal migration; religious conflict and repression; and the agency of marginalized populations. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

IAS 3193 Environment and Disease Crises in China **3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Explores the intertwined relationship of environment, agriculture, economic development, pollution, disease, patriotism, domestic security, and international conflict in China and how it deals with environmental issues and disease crises. Of particular concern are China's devastating water shortage that threatens to leave much of northern China without water in the next twenty years, major epidemics, and China's aging, rural population. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

#### IAS 3203 The Middle East Since World War I

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines major religions and ethnic groups of the Middle East; also explores how the largest ethnic groups have decided to define their national identities: Arabs, Jews, Turks, Iranians and Kurds. Topics include the Arab-Israeli conflict and possibilities of peace, and the Gulf regions where Iran, Saudi Arabia and Iraq have fought for supremacy and control of oil and the Gulf. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

IAS 3223 Modern Iran: Islam & Revolution **3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Surveys the history of Iran from the 16th century to the present. Topics include the rise of the Safavid dynasty in the sixteenth century, the establishment of Shi'ism, reform in the nineteenth century, great power politics, Western cultural and intellectual influence, nationalism, the Islamic revolution of 1979, and Iran since the revolution. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

#### **3 Credit Hours** IAS 3233 Nationalism and the Middle East

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Survey of the history of the Middle East from 1800 to the present. Analyzes the origins of politics of national identity in the region as a result of transformations rooted in the nineteenth century, its rise to dominance as a form of politics and ideology during the twentieth century, as well as countervailing trends that today challenge its continued dominance. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

IAS 3273 The European Union **3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Is EU an economic superpower? Can the EU reach the objective of rivaling the U.S. diplomatically shared by many political leaders in Europe? This course will help students understand contemporary debates about the nature of the European Union, its place in the world, and its current economic and political challenges. (Irreg.)

IAS 3283 Culture, Power, and Global Environment 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: Junior standing or permission of instructor. This course surveys some of the diverse ways in which human populations adapt to, understand, and transform their environments. It explores how social and cultural differences within and among human populations complicate efforts to address the myriad environmental problems we face - from neighborhoods struggling with contaminated soil, to regional ecosystem restoration and wildlife management, to transnational climate-change mitigation efforts. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

IAS 3303 National Security Policy **3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course provides students with an interdisciplinary overview of issues in U.S. national security. It introduces students to the various national security agencies, bureaucracies, advisors, and organizations to understand their respective origins and evolutions. Students will analyze in-depth historical case studies of consequential geopolitical events to see the national security in action and its implications for contemporary U.S. policy. (Irreg.)

IAS 3313 Latin American International Relations **3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines international relations of Latin America in an interdisciplinary fashion. International relations is broadly defined in this course, and includes economic and cultural aspects as well. (Irreg.) [IV-WC] .

IAS 3323 The Political Economy of Development **3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines the relationship between politics and economics in less developed countries. Reviews the history of economic theories of development and also examines the economic effects of inward looking trade policies and political stability in Latin America and India, as well as the political economy of recent reforms in both areas. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3343 **Chinese Philosophy**

(Crosslisted with PHIL 3343) Prerequisite: six hours of philosophy or junior standing. Survey and analysis of the major texts and schools of philosophy in China, from the ancient world to the contemporary era. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

#### IAS 3353 Modern Brazil

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Introduction to contemporary Brazilian history and culture. Broad overview of Brazil's colonial history and emergence as a modern nation, and an exploration of the country's incredible cultural and regional diversity, as well as some of the challenges it currently faces. Course material includes exploration of indigenous realities, the rural landless movement, poverty and crime, gender, family, race, contemporary religion, etc. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

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## IAS 3383 The United Nations & World Politics

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. The focus of this course will be on understanding the roles played by the UN and related intergovernmental organizations in world politics pertaining to four broad issue areas: international peace and security, human rights and humanitarian affairs, the global environment, and global trade and development. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

#### IAS 3393 Iranian Society through Cinema

3 Credit Hours

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Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course attempts to understand Iranian society and culture through the lens of Iran's postrevolutionary cinema. In moving beyond stereotypical images presented by mass media, modern Iranian cinema provides a medium to study issues such as religion, gender, class, and politics of Iran today. (Irreg). (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

## IAS 3403 US-Iranian Relations: History, Politics, and the Road to Confrontation 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Since the revolution of 1979, Iran and the United States have been engaged in a political, diplomatic, and ideological "cold war". This course is designed to place the recent politics of US - Iranian relations within a larger historical narrative of US-Iranian contact, cooperation, and conflict. (Irreg.)

## IAS 3413 Iran and Islam in Global History 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Surveys the role of Iran within Middle Eastern history, culture, and society from antiquity to eve of modern period. Topics include: Iranian empires in ancient period, history of Zoroastrianism, advent of Islam and Arab conquest of Iran; emergence of Persian literary tradition in Islamic culture; emergence of the Turko-Persian Safavid state in 16th century and formation of Shi'ite-Iranian culture. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

IAS 3423 Middle East Through Film 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course provides a survey of Middle Eastern history and politics through film. Emphasis will be on how the history and politics of the Middle East has been portrayed through the medium of cinema, with special focus on cultural representation and the role of film in determining contested historical and political understandings of the region. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

IAS 3433 International Relations in the Middle East 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines the major wars of the region from the First World War and ending with the US invasion of Iraq. Covers the Arab-Israeli conflict, the cold war, and the contest for control of the Persian gulf and oil markets. Investigates the role of the great powers and the major Middle Eastern states in shaping international relations in the region. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

#### IAS 3440 Mentored Research Experience

3 Credit Hours

0 to 3 hours. Prerequisites: ENGL 1113 or equivalent, and permission of instructor. May be repeated; maximum credit 12 hours. For the inquisitive student to apply the scholarly processes of the discipline to a research or creative project under the mentorship of a faculty member. Student and instructor should complete an Undergraduate Research & Creative Projects (URCP) Mentoring Agreement and file it with the URCP office. Not for honors credit. (F, Sp, Su)

#### IAS 3443 Political Islam

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines the Muslim brotherhood since its founding in 1928, its radicalization under Sayyid Qutb, and the many groups that look to it for inspiration. Covers Al-Qaida, Hizbullah, and Hamas, the tensions between Shiites and Sunnis, and how some Middle Eastern countries have dealt with the growth of radical Islamic groups. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

#### IAS 3473 The Arab-Israeli Conflict

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. A survey of the history of the conflict around Eretz Israel/Palestine, with the aim of providing a better understanding of its roots and recent developments. The course looks at both sides of the conflict at various moments throughout its history and will present two very different historical narratives: the Israeli/Jewish and the Palestinian/Arab. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3503 The United States and the Middle East: 1945-Present

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course is an introduction to the historical and contemporary relationship between the United States and the Middle East from the nineteenth century until the present, with a concentration on the period since 1945. The course will focus on the political and economic aspects of US-Middle East relations but will also consider the cultural and social dimensions of this interaction. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3523 Women and Gender in South Asia 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: junior standing or permission of instructor. Considers how women/gender have been thought from 19th century articulation of "The Women's Question" and Women's Reform to present day rethinking of state based rights strategies and normative gender constructions in the Indian Subcontinent. Scholarly articles, primary sources, fiction, and film interrogate questions about women's place in society, women and the state, gendering work, and women's lives in South Asia. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

**IAS 3533 Political Violence in Comparative Perspective 3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course examines the major topics within the study of political violence, including civil war, terrorism, genocide, organized criminal violence, and electoral violence. It focuses on the diverse drivers of violence as well as its social, political, and economic consequences for individuals and communities within North and South America, Europe, Sub-Saharan Africa, the Middle East, and Southeast Asia. (Irreg.)

## IAS 3543 International Peacebuilding

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course examines how countries put an end to war and the role of international actors in this process. It also analyzes the pursuit of justice and accountability following conflict and human rights violations and efforts to achieve sustainable peace and stability in the longer-term, with particular emphasis on social and economic development, statebuilding, political inclusion, and democratization. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3583 Managing US-China Relations

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Provides comprehensive and systematic assessment of the bilateral relationship between a rising power aiming to return to its historical prestige and a currently dominant power searching to augment its over-stretched power resources. Indepth examination of the historical context of how the two countries have engaged with each other at the global, regional, and bilateral levels primarily since 1949. [IV-WDC].

# IAS 3603 Energy, Environment & Climate Change in China

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines how China confronts the challenges of energy security, environmental pollution, and climate change. It explores not only how the country addresses each of the three challenges individually, but also identifies areas where policy coordination can be enhanced so as to promote a holistic approach to three interconnected challenges simultaneously. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

#### **3 Credit Hours**

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## IAS 3643 Illicit Trafficking

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Focuses on some of today's most troubling security issues - the persistent and growing problems associated with the trafficking and smuggling of drugs, money, humans, guns, and commodities of all sorts. Closely examines the issue of trafficking in a global context, providing case studies of trafficking in women, illegal workers, drugs, weapons, and even butterflies. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3653 Energy, Climate, and Security

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course provides a systematic treatment of how energy and climate change intersect with growth, development, security, and the trajectory of human civilization. It examines the politics of energy from a variety of perspectives; explores the causes and efforts to address climate change, and looks at ways forward for the transition beyond fossil fuels. (Irreg.)

IAS 3663 Comparative Politics of the Middle East 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL or EXPO 1213. This course examines major themes in Middle East and North African politics (MENA). Topics and themes to be discussed include: states and state formation in the Middle East; the persistence and dynamics of authoritarianism; political liberalization and democratization; civil society; nationalism and identity; oil wealth; Islam and politics; the 2011 Arab uprisings. (Irreg.)

IAS 3683 Poverty and Inequality in the Middle East 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. An introduction to poverty and inequality in the Middle East which will give students an overview of how poverty has been defined, represented and contested in international development discourse. The course will examine causes of economic underdevelopment, inequality and poverty, including regional politics, urbanization and the Middle East's legacy of colonialism. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3693 Military, State & Society

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course is concerned with some of the key problems and puzzles of civil-military relations such as military intervention in politics and the role militaries play in social revolutions. This course will examine different political contexts across the world, including the U.S., Europe, Latin America, China/Asia, Africa and the Middle East. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3703 South Asian Security

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Junior standing or permission of instructor. This course introduces students to security and conflict in South Asia. South Asian security has significant ramifications for global order and security. Topics covered include Hindu nationalism in India, military domination in Pakistan, India's economic ascendance, the Kashmir conflict, nuclear deterrence, terrorism & counterterrorism, the rise of the Taliban in Afghanistan, and the China-Pakistan axis. (Irreg.)

## IAS 3723 Sexuality & Identity in the Islamic World 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Junior standing or permission of instructor. This course explores expressions of sexuality and sexual identity across a broad range of time and throughout a variety of Muslim-majority regions in the Middle East, Africa, and South Asia. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

#### IAS 3742 Model UN

2 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Junior standing or permission of instructor. Provides students with a fundamental understanding of the institutions and activities of the United Nations. Issues of current interest in the UN will also be discussed. Students will acquire skills to not only prepare them to participate in a Model United Nations conference, but also prepare them to develop, implement and manage such a conference. (Irreg.)

IAS 3743 The Politics of the International System 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course introduces students to the international system. This interconnected set of institutions establishes the rules of the game for world politics, and shapes world order. The course takes a hands-on approach, providing students the chance to study historical variants of international systems, as well as the opportunity to study the origins and evolution of the current international system. (Irreg.)

IAS 3753 Youth Culture in Contemporary Iran 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course seeks to better understand strategies that Iran's third generation is deploying in order to navigate Iran's maze of structural constraints and opportunities. This course will also serve as an introduction to Iran's post-Revolution history, and examine how Iran's youngest citizens have engaged in this history. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

## IAS 3763 Women and Gender in the Middle East 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Introduction to study of women and gender in contemporary Middle East. Examines how depictions of Muslim, Middle Eastern women and debates surrounding gender have shaped and been shaped by wider local and global forces over time. Topics include debates on women and gender in the Middle East; the rise of women's movements; and ways Muslim women conceptualize themselves. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

IAS 3773 State & Society in Pakistan 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: Junior standing or permission of instructor. Examine the history, politics, and important social issues of Pakistan. Drawing on materials from a variety of social science disciplines, topics of discussion will include: nation-state building, ethnic conflict, political

Islam, terrorism, civil-military relations, democratization, civil society, and gender politics. (Irreg) [IV-WDC].
IAS 3783 US-Arab Cultural Encounters 3 Credit Hours
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## IAS 3793 African Politics & Society

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course introduces students to the politics, history and social processes of sub-Saharan Africa, as well as the precolonial, colonial and postcolonial history of the continent. Other topics of discussion include contemporary issues, such as identity, customary authority, economics, violence, civil war, elections, democracy and authoritarianism. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

**3 Credit Hours** 

IAS 3803 International Cooperation & Development 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course examines the fundamental idea of mobilizing global resources with the purpose of changing the realities of those countries that have been considered impoverished or less developed. The course opens the debate on what development means and what it has meant historically and in theory. It also presents the myriad of actors that participate in the international aid industry. (Irreg.) [IV-WDC].

#### IAS 3810 Journey to Africa

#### 1-6 Credit Hours

1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: sophomore standing and completion of ENGL 1213, or permission of instructor. May be repeated; maximum credit 12 hours. Journey to Africa is a summer study abroad program designed for OU students. Students will travel with an OU faculty member and other OU students throughout an African country or region, and learn about various cultural, historical, political, social, economic or linguistic issues relevant for an understanding of one or more African countries. Academic instruction for this program takes place in English. (Su)

#### IAS 3813 **Development Practice**

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course examines the knowledge and skills required by individuals who work for international organizations, bilateral agencies, private foundations, or nongovernmental organizations in the field of international development. Participants will familiarize themselves with the mission of those development actors, as well as with their main documents, procedures and working methods. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3823 Technology & War

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course discusses the relationship between technology and war, the context in which different weapons develop, and how different war strategies have changed international politics. The development and effects of weapons including gunpowder, tanks, submarines, nuclear weapons, and drones is also considered. (Irreg.)

IAS 3833 Democratic Decline in Global Perspective **3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course examines the theory and practice of how liberal democracies develop, live, and die. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

IAS 3843 Latin American Independence 1750-1880 **3 Credit Hours** (Crosslisted with HIST 3843) Prerequisite: HIST 2613 or HIST 2623; junior standing, or permission of instructor. Covers history of Latin America from the crisis and dissolution of the Iberian empires through the consolidation of independent republics, a period bridging the colonial and modern periods in the region's history. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3853 **Russian Foreign Policy**

## **3 Credit Hours**

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course provides a broad overview of fundamental issues and relationships in Russian foreign policy. It examines the driving forces of Russian foreign policy and the tools that Russia has to influence international politics. Examples of major contemporary issues and vectors of Russian foreign policy will also be discussed. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3863 **Global Environment**

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course examines the relationship between space, power, and the environment. It explores the spatialities and multi-scalar dimensions of environmental policy, governance and politics, with a focus on dimensions of social and environmental justice. (Irreg.) [III-SS].

#### IAS 3873 Global Cybersecurity Issues **3 Credit Hours**

Prerequisite: Junior standing or permission of instructor. This course introduces students to contemporary global cybersecurity challenges and to the policy tools available to cope with them. (Irreg.)

## IAS 3883 Italy Through Italian Film

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: Junior standing or permission of instructor. This course offers a basic survey of the social, political and cultural history of Italy over the last 40 years through the screening and discussion of Italian films which are illustrative of Italy's main cultural and historical aspects. (F, Sp)

#### IAS 3893 Law & Globalization

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course will explore the origins and characteristics of globalization, the relationship between globalization and "the law", and will also look at more recent developments in globalization and speculate about what they mean for law and regulation. (Irreg.)

## IAS 3910 International Studies Internship

Prerequisite: 45 completed hours and a minimum of a 2.75 overall GPA. May be repeated; Maximum credit six hours. This course allows students to receive academic credit for internship work with an internationally oriented public or private organization. The award of academic credit for the internship requires an element of reflection, research, and writing about the work undertaken. This academic component can strongly enhance what is gained from the internship opportunity and improve a student's ability to articulate knowledgeably the requirements, benefits and lessons of work in the public or non-profit sector. (F, Sp, Su)

#### The Practice of Diplomacy IAS 3913

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course is designed to provide an understanding of how day-to-day diplomacy is conducted by the U.S. Department of State and other entities. The class will review the structure of the U.S. Department of State as well as a U.S. Embassy, major recent diplomatic challenges, and provide the case for renewal of American Diplomacy. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3920 Journey to Italy

1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: sophomore standing and completion of ENGL 1213, or permission of instructor. May be repeated; maximum credit 12 hours. Journey to Italy is a program designed for OU students in collaboration with the University of Siena, an OU partner university in Arezzo. Students will travel with an OU faculty member and other OU students throughout Italy, and learn about various cultural, historical, political, social, economic or linguistic issues relevant for an understanding of contemporary Italy. Academic instruction for this program takes place in English. (Su)

## IAS 3923 World Happiness

(Crosslisted with P SC 3923) Prerequisite: Junior standing or permission of instructor. This course explores and compares, in detail, the breadth and expression of global happiness philosophical concepts in the east and west leading to modern global and societal well-being measures and well-being policies in nations around the world. (Irreg.)

#### Journey to China IAS 3930

## 1-6 Credit Hours

**3 Credit Hours** 

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1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: sophomore standing and completion of ENGL 1213, or permission of instructor; May be repeated; maximum credit 12 hours. Journey to China is a summer study abroad program designed for OU students, who will be hosted by OU partner universities in cities across China. Students will travel with an OU faculty member and other OU students throughout China, and learn about various cultural, historical, political, social, economic or linguistic issues relevant for an understanding of contemporary China. (Su)

#### IAS 3933 Intelligence & National Security

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course provides a survey of the historical origins and continued development of US intelligence capabilities. Students will learn about intelligence processes, and the roles, missions, and structure of the organizations which comprise the US Intelligence Community. Other topics of discussion include ethical and moral issues associated with intelligence operations, foreign intelligence services, their targets, and operational successes and failures. (Irreg.)

#### **3 Credit Hours**

2-3 Credit Hours

3 Credit Hours

1-6 Credit Hours

#### IAS 3940 Journey to Latin America

1-6 Credit Hours

1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: sophomore standing and completion of ENGL 1213, or permission of instructor. May be repeated; maximum credit 12 hours. Journey to Latin America is a summer study abroad program designed for OU students. Students will travel with an OU faculty member and other OU students throughout a Latin American country or region, and learn about various cultural, historical, political, social, economic or linguistic issues relevant for an understanding of one or more Latin American countries. Academic instruction for this program takes place in English. (Su)[IV-NW].

#### IAS 3943 Global Intelligence Challenges

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course provides an overview of current and future global security challenges. Students will explore key, contemporary security issues in Europe, Asia, and the Middle East. Topics of discussion include transnational security issues, collective security/ alliances, inter-state conflict, ethnic conflict, WMD proliferation, nuclear strategy, deterrence, arms control, cyber security, and terrorism. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3960 Honors Reading

1-6 Credit Hours

**3 Credit Hours** 

1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: admission to Honors Program. permission of instructor and junior standing. May be repeated once with change of content. Independent study in international and area studies for students enrolled in the Honors Program. Will consist of topics not usually presented in regular courses. (F, Sp, Su)

#### IAS 3963 US-Russia Relations

## **3 Credit Hours**

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. An overview of US-Russia relations over the past 200 years with an emphasis on Cold War tensions and the contentious relationship since the "re-emergence" of Russia from the post-Soviet morass in the Putin era. Students will examine various attempts to "reset" the relationship under different Administrations and will explore potential areas of cooperation including space, climate change, and humanitarian assistance. (Irreg.)

## IAS 3970 Honors Seminar

## 3-6 Credit Hours

3 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: admission to Honors Program. May be repeated once with change of content. Small group seminar on topics not covered by normal coursework. Restricted to students in the Honors Program. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3973 Cultural Diplomacy

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. Examines the role of cultural diplomacy in the process of diplomatic interaction. Areas of study include the European Union, the Middle East and East Asia; the Cold War and the role of cultural diplomacy in foreign policy of the Soviet Union and the US; Juxtapositions of cultural diplomacies and institutional organizations of France, Great Britain, Germany, Russia and Canada. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 3980 Honors Research

1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: admission to Honors Program, permission of instructor and junior standing . May be repeated once with change of content. Provide international and area studies students an opportunity to work on an international research project. (F, Sp, Su)

#### IAS 3983 Anti-Muslim Racism

#### **3 Credit Hours**

1-6 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course will examine anti-Muslim racism in the United States while simultaneously understanding anti-Muslim racism as a global project. We will further investigate how anti-Muslim racism is implicated in imperialist projects in the Middle East. Examining anti-Muslim sentiment through the lens of racism will show how both race and religion come together to inform present day structural inequality and violence. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

#### IAS 3990 Independent Study

1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: permission of instructor and junior standing. May be repeated once with change of content. Independent study may be arranged to study a subject not available through regular course offerings. (F, Sp, Su)

## IAS 3993 Global Communism

Prerequisite: ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213. This course introduces both theoretical bases and actual applications of Marxism and other forms of communism from the late 19th century to the present. After engaging the principles of Marxism through foundational texts, students study later adaptations of Marxism, including Maoism, and the manifestations of communist party rule from the Soviet Union to Southeast Asia to the Horn of Africa. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 4013 Senior Capstone Seminar in International and Area Studies 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: international and area studies major, senior standing, and permission of the department. May be repeated with change of content; maximum credit 6 hours. Devoted to analysis, research, writing, and synthesizing on one of several selected interdisciplinary topics in international and area studies. (F, Sp) [V].

#### IAS 4343 Early Chinese Philosophy

(Crosslisted with PHIL 4343) Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

Survey of pre-Qin Chinese philosophy, including the major texts and figures of Confucianism, Daoism, and other notable schools. No student may earn credit for both 4343 and 5343. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 4513 Intellectuals & Artists in Modern Latin America 3 Credit Hours

(Crosslisted with HIST 4513) Prerequisites: History 2613 or 2623 or junior standing or permission of instructor. Examines both the history of ideas in modern Latin America as well as the history of intellectuals as a social group. We will consider intellectuals in the process of independence and the consolidation of nation states, the role of "race" in Latin American thought, and the relationship between European and Latin American thought. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

#### IAS 4523 Latin American Left

(Crosslisted with HIST 4523) Prerequisite: History 2613 or 2623 or junior standing or permission of instructor. This course examines the shifting political tactics and theoretical positions of a variety of leftist movements in Latin America since the early 20th century. We will exam leftist thought on the nature of Latin American development, approaches to commercial culture, and labor organizing, among other topics. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

#### IAS 4533 Populism in 20th-Century South America **3 Credit Hours** (Crosslisted with HIST 4533) Prerequisites: History 2613 or 2623 or

junior standing or permission of instructor. This course will examine the phenomenon of Latin American "populism," a set of political movements that held a central place in 20th century Latin American history. We will focus on three cases as they relate to the broader economic and social processes in the region as a whole: Brazil; Argentina; and Chile. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

#### IAS 4543 Latin America in the Age of the Cuban Revolution

#### **3 Credit Hours**

(Crosslisted with HIST 4543) Prerequisites: History 2613 or 2623 or junior standing or permission of instructor. This course is an in-depth examination of Latin American history of the period 1955-1973. We cover changes in politics, economics, literature, film, music, and theology in what many Latin Americans called the "revolutionary process" of the period. (Irreg.) [IV-WC].

#### 1-6 Credit Hours

**3 Credit Hours** 

**3 Credit Hours** 

#### IAS 4813 Africa in Context

## **3 Credit Hours**

(Slashlisted with IAS 5813) Prerequisite: Sophomore standing and ENGL 1213, or permission of instructor. Explores topics related to the historical analysis of Africa including cultural, economic, and development issues. Through a primary focus on Uganda, students will examine the lasting effects of conflict, the emergence of civic, religious and international groups and their related work, and gain a deeper appreciation of Ugandan culture and communities. No student may earn credit for both 4813 and 5813. (Su) [IV-WDC].

#### IAS 4960 **Directed Readings**

1-4 Credit Hours

1 to 4 hours. Prerequisite: good standing in University; permission of instructor and dean. May be repeated; maximum credit four hours. Designed for upper-division students who need opportunity to study a specific problem in greater depth than formal course content permits. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 4970 Special Topics/Seminar

1-3 Credit Hours

1 to 3 hours. Prerequisite: Senior standing or permission of instructor. May be repeated; maximum credit nine hours. Special topics or seminar course for content not currently offered in regularly scheduled courses. May include library and/or laboratory research and field projects. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 4990 Independent Study

1-3 Credit Hours 1 to 3 hours. Prerequisite: Senior standing and permission of instructor. May be repeated; maximum credit nine hours. Contracted independent study for a topic not currently offered in regularly scheduled courses. Independent study may include library and/or laboratory research and

## IAS 5003 U.S. Foreign Relations

field projects. (Irreg.)

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Examines current events and the historical and economic aspects of American foreign policy. Gives students an understanding of the main theories, actors, and debates in the field. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5013 International Law

#### **3 Credit Hours**

Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Examines different sources of international law: the relationship between international law and states, individuals and other international actors; the content of international law as it pertains to different issue areas (e.g. the use of force, human rights, the environment); and how these bodies of law affect international relations more generally. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5023 The Practice of Diplomacy

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course is designed to provide an understanding of how day-to-day diplomacy is conducted by the U.S. Department of State and other entities. The class will review the structure of the U.S. Department of State as well as a U.S. Embassy, major recent diplomatic challenges, and provide the case for renewal of American Diplomacy. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5043 **Global Security**

#### **3 Credit Hours**

Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Examines some of the major theoretical and practical approaches to the study of global security, and focuses on the causes of war, the impact of various actors, technologies, resources and other transnational problems on violent conflict, and the different approaches to and dimensions of security solutions. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5053 **Global History**

Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Defines global history not only as the history of globalization or the history of state-to-state relations, but also more broadly as the evolution of events, forces, ideas, and processes that were common to several areas of the globe and that led to the shaping of the modern world. Considers a wide range of ways of being global through the centuries. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5063 Civil Military Relations

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course focuses on the key questions about civil-military relations: What is the proper relationship between the politician and the soldier? How does professionalism affect the military's political behavior? Should military organizational ethos reflect societal values? Why are some and not other societies prone to coups? How do new democracies exert control over militaries? (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5073 International Terrorism

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course will cover how terrorist organizations have spread and how their goals have been taken up by like-minded organizations. How has terrorism changed? What effect does the psychology of terrorism have on the free societies? The course will attempt to answer these questions and develop an understanding of the fundamental reasons that terrorism has been at times effective. (Irreg.)

#### **3 Credit Hours** IAS 5083 International Activism

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course examines the role that nongovernmental actors play as they work independently and in concert to raise awareness about various international issues and to advocate for change on behalf of others. The course will explore the history of the study of activism, the evolution of theory on social movements, and the marketing tools employed by activism organizations. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5093 U.S. Intelligence Community

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course will provide a survey of the origins of US intelligence capabilities, including collection disciplines and analytic techniques the US Intelligence Community (IC) uses, examine how the US IC supports national security decision making, review the ethical and moral issues associated with intelligence operations, and study contemporary issues facing the US IC. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5123 African Peacekeeping and Peace Enforcement 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course is designed for the MA in International Relations degree through OU's Advanced Programs. The course covers peacekeeping and peace enforcement operations in Africa. These missions combine the efforts of governmental, intergovernmental, and nongovernmental actors. The class will examine nation building, stabilization, reconstruction, and transition across the spectrum of peace operations with emphasis on peacekeeping

## and peace enforcement. (Irreg) IAS 5203 Post-Brexit Ireland

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course will examine the impact of British exit from the EU on Ireland in a broad context. This includes the history of British repression in Ireland and the struggle for independence, the border with Northern Ireland, and Ireland's economic standing. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5213 Politics of the European Union

Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Examines the historical process of European integration. Topics include the structure of the EU institution, the process of law making in the EU, the international role of the EU, the trans-Atlantic relationship. (F)

#### **3 Credit Hours**

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IAS 5243 Nations and Nation States in Europe

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. In this class, we will study and discuss nation and nation states in Europe since 1789 until 1939. Our key nations and nation states will be France, Germany, and Poland. Ultimately, nationalism resulted in the complete destruction of four Empires in Europe (and Asia) during World War I, a legacy that is still felt in Europe today. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5253 US-Russia Relations

3 Credit Hours

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course will provide an overview of United States (US)-Russia relations over the past 200+ years with an in-depth look at Cold War tensions and the contentious relationship since the "re-emergence" of Russia from the post-Soviet morass in the Putin era. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5263 Russian Foreign Policy

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. Explores Russian foreign policy in the contemporary world, with an eye on the deep historical context that informs the relationships between Russia and the rest of the world. What drives Russian foreign policy? What tools does Russia have to influence international politics? What are the major contemporary issues in Russian foreign policy? What are the vectors of Russian foreign policy? (Irreg.)

# IAS 5283 Europe Since 1989 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. Studies

major events that have transformed Europe since 1989: the collapse of Communist rule in Eastern Europe and the fall of the Berlin Wall, the end of the Cold War, the role of an expanding EU, different forms of immigration to Europe and its perception, historical memory, and Russia's role in Europe. (Irreg.)

IAS 5323 The Political Economy of Development 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Studies the relationship between politics and economics in less developed countries. Reviews the history of economic theories of development and examines the economic effects of different trade strategies in Latin America, India, and East Asia. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5353 Latin American International Relations 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Surveys the hemisphere's international relations with emphasis on U.S.-Latin American relations. Focuses on post-Cold War issues in hemispheric affairs, and gives students a skill set appropriate for internationally related careers. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5383 Political Economy of the Underworld: Organized Crime and Conflict 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. Organized crime is a global presence that fuels instability, corruption, and violent extremism. Many conflicts cannot be fully understood without assessing the presence of organized crime groups as agents of instability, arms trafficking, resource extraction, and informal governance. This class will cover the origins of organized crime, organized crime in post-Soviet conflict, organized crime and globalization, and interdisciplinary research methods. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5403 Humanitarianism and Africa

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. The course explores the longstanding need of Westerners to "help" Africans, examines the historical basis of this particular mode of thought and how it has changed over time, and seeks to understand how Western humanitarian intervention shaped and, perhaps more important, was shaped by Africans. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5413 Global Migration & Media

Prerequisite: Graduate standing and permission of instructor. This course will expose students to key topics related to immigration in various regions around the world. Students will seek out and interpret the ways that media portrayals impact immigration and how immigration patterns influence that very media framing. This course seeks to break down stereotypes and create new perspectives on the global movement of people. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5423 Media and the Global World

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course will investigate the media to see connections between the media and the democratization process, media and change, and media and conflict. We will see how traditional, online, and social media can influence politics, economics, and society. We will also examine the connection between media, trust and transparency, and its implications in the global world. (Irreg.)

**IAS 5433** International Relations in the Middle East 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Surveys how the modern states of the region were constructed by the European powers and local authorities following the destruction of the Ottoman and Persian empires in WWI. Concentrates on two regional conflicts, the Arab-Israeli conflict and the Gulf conflict, and discusses how policy could have been improved and what the U.S. should be doing in the Middle East today. (Irreg.)

# IAS 5453Politics and Policy of the Middle East3 Credit HoursPrerequisite:graduate standing or permission of instructor. Focuses onthe historical issues of state formation and emergence of the modernMiddle East; the contemporary question or persistent authoritarianismfrom social, economic, and political perspectives; and aspects of the U.S.involvement in the Middle East. (Irreg.)

IAS 5463 Comparative Politics of the Middle East 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course examines themes in Arab and Middle East politics. This includes states and state formation; identity, nationalism, and politics; political economy; the persistence and dynamics of authoritarianism; oil wealth, Gulf politics, and its impact on domestic politics; Islam and politics; the 2011 Arab uprisings; sectarianism; regional politics, and the current state of the Middle East. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5473 Arab-Israeli Conflict

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. The Arab-Israeli conflict attracts a disproportionate amount of attention in the news media, international politics and law, and the socio-cultural sphere. This course examines the origins of the Arab-Israeli conflict in an attempt to place it in its historical context, while tracing its developments from multiple angles, in order to provide understanding of the dynamic that constitutes 'the conflict'. (Irreq.)

## IAS 5483 Minorities in the Middle East

**3 Credit Hours** 

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Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course will discover the Middle East's heterogeneity by examining the experiences and changing positions of minorities since the rise of Islam. Specific topics will include the non-Muslims in classical Islamic and Ottoman societies, the rise of nationalism, Kurds and other Muslim ethnic minorities, Jews, Druzis and other heterodox Muslim minorities, Middle Eastern Christians, and the Baha'is. (Irreg.)

#### 3 Credit Hours

#### IAS 5493 Global Islamophobia

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. What is Islamophobia and what are the strengths and limitations of the term in capturing the global complexity of Muslim experiences? This course will study the theoretical and practical iterations of Islamophobia on a global scale and examine the concept through specific sites of contemporary anti-Muslim sentiments in the United States, Europe, Asia, and the Middle East. (Irreg.)

**IAS 5503** Theory and Practice of International Politics 3 Credit Hours Prerequisite; graduate standing or permission of instructor. Focuses on political relations among states, the role and function of non-state actors, the nature of the international system, factors that affect state behavior, analytical and practical tools relevant for foreign policy decision-making, and various policy relevant issues in the international arena. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5513 US Diplomatic History

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course focuses on the establishment and evolution of U.S. foreign policy from 1776 to the present. It introduces key events and the roles of key players, including the President, National Security Council, State Department, and Congress, in the development of U.S. foreign policy. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5523 Global Political Economy

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Examines economic relations, cooperation, and competition among states and non-state actors. Students in this course can gain a familiarity with the principles of international trade and finance, understand the functions and power of international economic institutions and how these have evolved and changed, and understand different theories that have been offered to explain international political economy. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5533 Modern Statecraft

#### 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. Geopolitics has its basis in statecraft, the application of the power of the state toward other states, organizations, and peoples. The key to managing international relationships to further one's prosperity and security is embodied by statecraft and the multi-faceted aspects of state power. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5543 International Organizations

## **3 Credit Hours**

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course will give participants the opportunity to critically reflect on the reasons why sovereign states have collectively decided to create International Organizations (IOs). The course will also provide a survey of some of the main IOs in existence as well as their current political and institutional challenges. Finally, this course will discuss challenges to global governance. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5553 Global Cybersecurity Issues

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. Virtually every area of political, economic, and social life is increasingly dependent on networked computing and related information and communications technologies (ICTs). As a result, states and societies now face an array of pressing cybersecurity challenges. This course will introduce students to contemporary global cybersecurity challenges and to the policy tools available to cope with them. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5563 Illicit Trafficking

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course focuses on some of today's most troubling security issues - the persistent and growing problems associated with the trafficking and smuggling of drugs, money, humans, guns, and commodities of all sorts. The course will demonstrate the very broad and encompassing nature of illicit trafficking and how this activity has an impact on global security and underdevelopment. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5573 Nationalism and the Modern Middle East 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. A survey of Middle East history from 1800-present with an emphasis on the emergence of "nationalism" as a new form of political identity in the region. Focused on ethnic, linguistic, racial, sectarian, secessionist, and confessional identities that have become one of the main sources of political contestation in the region. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5583 African Politics and Society

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course is designed to introduce students to the history, politics and social processes of sub-Saharan Africa. In addition to learning about the histories and trajectories of individual countries, the course will also focus on sub-regional and cross-national similarities and differences, as well as contextualize African politics in a larger global history. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5623 Inequality Around the World

**3 Credit Hours** 

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Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course will derive coherence from a focus on economic inequality, specifically on the social and political consequences of economic inequality. Material will address such questions as: what is the scope of economic inequality in modern societies? Why does inequality matter? Do societies necessarily become more unequal as they grow more prosperous? Might inequality at some level harm economic growth? (Irreg.)

## IAS 5633 Political Development

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course will discuss different approaches to international development. At the end of the course, participants will have a comprehensive view of how development has evolved historically, how it has been disputed by different scholars, and how various stakeholders have worked for the promotion of development at the international level. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5643 Global Perspectives on Gender

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. From this course, students will be able to understand critiques of Western feminism, analyze the lived experiences of non-western women and communities of color, be conversant with critical epistemologies and anti-oppressive research methodologies, and discuss and apply intersectionality in a way that is historically and contextually accurate. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5653 Global Environmental Politics

3 Credit Hours

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. A comprehensive introduction to key themes relating to global environmental politics. The course is divided into three core sections: (1) global environmental governance; (2) global political economy as it relates to the environment and natural resources; and (3) contemporary, global challenges in global environmental politics. Students will also evaluate documents prepared by government agencies, think tanks, non-profits, and global institutions. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5683 US-China Relations

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. Provides a systematic examination of contemporary U.S.-China relations, one of the most important bilateral relationships in the world, from the U.S. perspective through relevant theoretical debates, historical analysis and case studies. Also includes an exploration of the future trajectories of U.S.-China relations. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5693 Political Economy of China

**3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Explores debates over the political economy of China. Examines theories of institutional change and economic performance, state capacity and

political development, rent-seeking and corruption, and class formation and collective action. How do China's reforms over the past three decades confirm or challenge the assumptions and propositions central to these established social science theories? How have recent studies of political economy in China advanced our understanding of these theories or suggested new approaches to the study of comparative political economy? These and other core questions will be covered including topics such as popular protest, global capitalism, corruption, and the nature of one-party rule in China. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5703 International Studies Colloquium

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This class will introduce the broad, multi-disciplinary field of International Studies. Students will practice analytical writing, reading, and public speaking, and become familiar with IAS faculty members and their areas of expertise. The culminating assignment will require each student to present the work they completed to members of the IAS faculty and graduate program. (F)

#### IAS 5713 Policy Analysis and Writing

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course will prepare students for policy-oriented careers. Students will develop an understanding of the policy value chain, from policy making to policy implementation and from diffusion to evaluation, and how associated feedback loops shape the policy trajectories. Building on an understanding of the policy cycle, it will give students an opportunity to engage in policy analysis. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5723 Global Policy Workshop

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This course serves as a culminating experience for the MAIS program. It is intended for students to integrate the knowledge and skills they have gained in their program and to apply them in a practical and/or experiential manner to contemporary global policy issues. The applied component will typically involve an extended simulation exercise or a project for a realworld organization. (Sp)

IAS 5793 Graduate Studies in International Relations **3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. Designed to provide students with a foundation for success in coursework for the MA degree in International Relations. The course begins with a focus on effective analytical writing in the field of international relations. The remaining sections of the course concentrate on essential building blocks in the field of international relations, with a particular emphasis on the relationship between domestic and international levels of explanation of international phenomena, from treaties/international agreements to economic sanctions to war. (Irreg)

#### IAS 5803 **Global Affairs Practicum**

#### **3 Credit Hours**

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. All students are expected to engage in a research project resulting in a written document that examines a specific government or international policy. The paper should ultimately propose specific policy recommendations that are intended to be an improvement upon the current policy. The project may be conducted under the auspices of the Diplomacy Lab. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5810 Field Studies in Africa

1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: graduate standing. May be repeated; maximum credit 12 hours. The Field Studies in Africa course is a summer program designed exclusively for OU students. Participants travel with an OU faculty member for up to one month throughout one or more countries in Africa. Academic instruction for this program takes place in English, but some foreign language training may be included in the program. Experiential activities, cultural events and lectures from host nationals add to expert OU faculty lectures to give Field Studies in Africa participants a comprehensive understanding of the historical context and contemporary issues facing the countries of study and the African continent today. All accepted applicants receive a travel fellowship to offset the cost of international airfare. (Su)

#### IAS 5813 Africa in Context

(Slashlisted with IAS 4813) Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. Explores topics related to the historical analysis of Africa including cultural, economic, and development issues. Through a primary focus on Uganda, students will examine the lasting effects of conflict, the emergence of civic, religious and international groups and their related work, and gain a deeper appreciation of Ugandan culture and communities. No student may earn credit for both 4813 and 5813. (Su)

#### IAS 5820 Field Studies in Italy

1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: graduate standing. May be repeated; maximum credit 12 hours. The Field Studies in Italy course is a summer program designed exclusively for OU students. Participants travel with an OU faculty member for up to one month throughout the country of Italy. Academic instruction for this program takes place in English, but some foreign language training may be included in the program. Experiential activities, cultural events and lectures from host nationals add to expert OU faculty lectures to give Field Studies in Italy participants a comprehensive understanding of the historical context and contemporary issues facing Italy and the continent of Europe today. All accepted applicants receive a travel fellowship to offset the cost of international airfare. (Su)

#### IAS 5830 Field Studies in China

1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: graduate standing. May be repeated; maximum credit 12 hours. The Field Studies in China course is a summer program designed exclusively for OU students. Participants travel with an OU faculty member for up to one month throughout the country of China. Academic instruction for this program takes place in English, but some foreign language training may be included in the program. Experiential activities, cultural events and lectures from host nationals add to expert OU faculty lectures to give Field Studies in China participants a comprehensive understanding of the historical context and contemporary issues facing China and the Asian region today. All accepted applicants receive a travel fellowship to offset the cost of international airfare. (Su)

IAS 5840 Field Studies in Latin America 1-6 Credit Hours 1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: graduate standing. May be repeated; maximum credit 12 hours. The Field Studies in Latin America course is a summer program designed exclusively for OU students. Participants travel with an OU faculty member for up to one month throughout the one or more Latin American countries. Academic instruction for this program takes place in English, but some foreign language training may be included in the program. Experiential activities, cultural events and lectures from host nationals add to expert OU faculty lectures to give Field Studies in Latin America participants a comprehensive understanding of the historical context and contemporary issues facing Latin American countries and the entire region today. All accepted applicants receive a travel fellowship to offset the cost of international airfare. (Su)

#### 1-6 Credit Hours

**3 Credit Hours** 

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#### IAS 5850 Field Studies in Turkey

1-6 Credit Hours

1 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: graduate standing. May be repeated; maximum credit 12 hours. The Field Studies in Turkey course is a summer program designed exclusively for OU students. Participants travel with an OU faculty member for up to one month throughout the country of Turkey. Academic instruction for this program takes place in English, but some foreign language training may be included in the program. Experiential activities, cultural events and lectures from host nationals add to expert OU faculty lectures to give Field Studies in Turkey participants a comprehensive understanding of the historical context and contemporary issues facing Turkey and the Middle Eastern region today. All accepted applicants receive a travel fellowship to offset the cost of international airfare. (Su)

#### IAS 5902 Global Political Turbulence

2 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This is one of three core courses in the MAGA program focused on aspects of global turbulence. The Global Political Turbulence course explores the sources, consequences and implications of turbulence in the international political system. It will examine political turbulence in a global context, as well as turbulent affairs in each region of the world. We will concentrate on the political turbulence that characterizes global affairs today and will highlight turbulent relations in each region of the world. (Irreg)

#### IAS 5912 Global Economic Turbulence

## 2 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This is one of three core courses in the MAGA program focused on aspects of global turbulence. This course explores sources of turbulence in the global economy and their consequences -- from the increasing global diffusion of economic power, to the volatility produced by free movement of large amounts of capital around the world. We will begin by examining shifts in the global distribution of economic power. We also will consider the 2008-9 global financial crisis, the aftermath of which continues to have dramatic consequences across governments and international organizations worldwide. (Irreg)

#### IAS 5913 International Studies Internship

Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Students receive academic credit for internship work with an internationally oriented public or private organization. Internship credit requires an element of reflection, research, and writing about the work undertaken, and can strongly enhance the internship opportunity and improve a student's ability to articulate knowledgeably the requirements, benefits and lessons of work in the public or non-profit sector. (Irreg.)

## IAS 5922 Global Social Turbulence

2 Credit Hours

**3 Credit Hours** 

Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. This is one of three core courses in the MAGA program focused on aspects of global turbulence. This course examines the layered causes and consequences of social turbulence around the world. It explores how peoples interact with each other and the world around them. Additionally, students will address how people react to societal and environmental changes. At the end of this course, students should have a firmer grasp on societal interaction and reaction along a number of important areas. (Irreg)

## IAS 5923 International Studies Policy Exercise

**3 Credit Hours** Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. Policy exercise offers students the option of a Capstone project that demands the integration of skills developed in the MAIS program core. Each semester the faculty will develop a policy exercise based on a contemporary global problem. Students will be responsible for gathering extensive evidence and analyses bearing on the problem at hand from a variety of perspectives. (Irreg.)

#### 1-4 Credit Hours IAS 5940 Topics in International Studies

1 to 4 hours. Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of instructor. May be repeated with change of content; maximum credit nine hours. Analysis of one or several selected topics in international studies, international development, and/or international management. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5950 Research Problems

2 to 5 hours. Prerequisite: graduate standing. May be repeated with change of content; maximum credit six hours. Directed research and writing on selected topics in international relations, international development, and international management. (F, Sp, Su)

#### IAS 5960 Directed Readings 1-3 Credit Hours

1 to 3 hours. Prerequisite: permission of instructor and graduate standing. May be repeated; maximum credit six hours. Directed individual readings on selected topics in international relations; international development, and international management. (F, Sp, Su)

#### IAS 5970 Special Topics/Seminar

1 to 3 hours. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or permission of instructor. May be repeated; maximum credit nine hours. Special topics or seminar course for content not currently offered in regularly scheduled courses. May include library and/or laboratory research and field projects. (Irreg.)

#### IAS 5980 Research for Master's Thesis

2 to 6 hours. Prerequisite: permission of instructor and admission to M.A. in International Relations. May be repeated; maximum credit four hours. Directed individual research and writing on master's thesis. Student must be admitted to the M.A. in International Relations program. (F, Sp, Su)

#### IAS 5990 Independent Study

1-3 Credit Hours

2-5 Credit Hours

1-3 Credit Hours

2-6 Credit Hours

1 to 3 hours. Prerequisite: permission of instructor and graduate standing. May be repeated; maximum credit six hours. Directed individual work on topics in international relations, international development, and/ or international management. (F, Sp, Su)