

# IC3JM - MA in Social Sciences

## INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

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### CONTENT

The course is structured in two parts. The first part will cover topics around international political economy. We will start with a discussion of the role of the state in a globalized world and analyze its impact on policy-making. We will move on in sessions 2 and 3 to study citizens in a globalized world. We will discuss the impact of an internationally constrained policy-making environment on citizen's attitudes, voting and attribution of responsibility.

Sessions 4 to 6 will analyze policies, and governments. Session 4 will deal specifically with political parties and how they respond to globalization, as well as the diffusion of liberalization policies across the world. In Session 5 we will study the political dynamics of international lending and debt, and in session 6 we will conclude with a discussion on the political implications of capital movement, international investment and offshoring.

The second part of the course covers conflict and violence. The first two sessions deal with the core of IR conflict, inter-state war. Since wars are less frequent these days, the big puzzle is the decline of war in the international order. First we discuss in session 7 the democratic and capitalist peace theories and then, in session 8, historical arguments are introduced.

Sessions 9 and 10 address the most prevalent form of conflict today, civil war. Session 9 discusses the different types of civil wars, and the political dynamics that they set into motion, while session 10 introduces the literature on the causes of civil war and the methodological problems to identify them.

Finally, sessions 11 and 12 tackle terrorism. Session 11 is about the nature of terrorism and terrorist groups. Session 12 is, in a sense, less academic and more oriented to current affairs, reviewing what we know about Jihadist insurgency, with an emphasis on Al Qaeda and ISIS.

## READINGS

The readings are mandatory, except those marked as “recommended”. The key for the success of the course is that you do the readings in advance. You can find all the reading materials in Aula Global.

## REQUIREMENTS

You have to write a research paper (80% of the final grade). You have to choose to do the paper either in International Political Economy or Conflict. Depending on the choice, the paper will be evaluated by the instructor teaching on that area. The remaining 20% corresponds to class participation and class presentations.

## COURSE OUTLINE

The course will consist of the following 12 sessions.

### **Session 1: The State in the era of globalization**

#### Core reading

Rodrik, Dani (2011). *The Globalization Paradox: Democracy and the Future of the World Economy*. Oxford University Press.

Iversen, Torben, and Thomas R. Cusack (2000). “The Causes of Welfare State Expansion: Deindustrialization or Globalization?” *World Politics*, 52 (3): 313-349.

Rudra, Nita (2002). “Globalization and the Decline of the Welfare State in Less-Developed Countries,” *International Organization*, 56: 411-445.

#### Recommended reading

Cameron, David R. (1978). “The Expansion of the Public Economy: A Comparative Analysis,” *American Political Science Review*, 72: 1243-1261.

Evans, Peter. (1997). “The eclipse of the state? Reflections on stateness in an era of globalization,” *World Politics* 50(1): 62-87.

Hirst, Paul, and Grahame Thompson. "Globalization and the future of the nation state." *Economy and Society* 24.3 (1995): 408-442.

### **Session 2: Public Preferences and the International Dimension**

### Core reading

- Häusermann, Silja and Hanspeter Kriesi (2015). "What Do Voters Want? Dimensions and Configurations in Individual-Level Preferences and Party Choice," In Beramendi et al. eds., *The Politics of Advanced Capitalism*. Cambridge University Press.
- Walter, Stefanie (2017). "Globalization and the Demand-Side of Politics: How Globalization Shapes Labor Market Risk Perceptions and Policy Preferences," *Political Science Research and Methods*, 5(1): 55-80.
- Hainmueller, Jens and Michael J. Hiscox. (2006). "Learning to Love Globalization: Education and Individual Attitudes toward International Trade," *International Organization*, 60: 469-98.
- Margalit, Yotam (2012). "Lost in Globalization: International Economic Integration and the Sources of Popular Discontent," *International Studies Quarterly*, 56 (3): 484-500.

### Recommended reading

- Hiscox, Michael J. "Through a glass and darkly: Framing effects and individuals' attitudes towards international trade." *International Organization* 60.3 (2006): 755-780.
- Kuhn, Theresa, and Florian Stoeckel. "When European integration becomes costly: the euro crisis and public support for European economic governance." *Journal of European Public Policy* 21.4 (2014): 624-641.

## **Session 3: Voting in a globalized world**

### Core reading

- Hellwig, Timothy, and David Samuels. "Voting in open economies: The electoral consequences of globalization." *Comparative Political Studies* 40.3 (2007): 283-306.
- Hobolt, Sara B., and James Tilley. "Who's in charge? How voters attribute responsibility in the European Union." *Comparative Political Studies* 47.6 (2014): 795-819.
- Kosmidis, Spyros. "International constraints and electoral decisions: does the room to maneuver attenuate economic voting?." *American Journal of Political Science* 62.3 (2018): 519-534.
- Marshall, John, and Stephen D. Fisher. "Compensation or constraint? How different dimensions of economic globalization affect government spending and electoral turnout." *British Journal of Political Science* 45.2 (2015): 353-389.

### Recommended reading

Steiner, Nils D. "Economic globalization and voter turnout in established democracies." *Electoral Studies* 29.3 (2010): 444-459.

Inglehart, Ronald F., and Pippa Norris. "Trump, Brexit, and the rise of populism: Economic have-nots and cultural backlash." (2016).

#### **Session 4: Policies, parties and party systems in a globalized world**

##### Core reading

Kriesi, Hanspeter, Edgar Grande, Romain Lachat, Martin Dolezal, Simon Bornschier and Timotheos Frey. (2006). "Globalization and the transformation of the national political space: Six European countries compared," *European Journal of Political Research*, 45: 921-956.

Kitschelt, Herbert and Philipp Rehm. (2015). "Party Alignments: Change and Continuity," In Beramendi et al. eds., *The Politics of Advanced Capitalism*. Cambridge University Press.

Simmons, Beth A. and Zachary Elkins (2004). "The Globalization of Liberalization: Policy Diffusion in the International Political Economy," *American Political Science Review*, 98 (1): 171-189.

Ward, Hugh, Lawrence Ezrow, and Han Dorussen (2011). "Globalization, Party Positions, and the Median Voter," *World Politics*, 63 (3): 509-547.

##### Recommended reading

Piketty, Thomas (2018). *Brahmin Left vs Merchant Right: Rising Inequality and the Changing Structure of Political Conflict Evidence from France & the US, 1948-2017*. EHESS and Paris School of Economics.

Oatley, Thomas. 1999. How Constraining is Capital Mobility? The Partisan Hypothesis in an Open Economy. *American Journal of Political Science* 43 (4):1003-1027.

Rodrik, Dani (2017). Populism and the economics of globalization. *NBER Working Paper* No. 23559.

Elkins, Zachary, Andrew T. Guzman, and Beth A. Simmons. 2006. Competing for Capital: The Diffusion of Bilateral Investment Treaties, 1960-2000. *International Organization* 60 (4): 811-846.

#### **Session 5: International Lending, and Debt**

##### Core reading

Stone, Randall W. 2004. The Political Economy of IMF Lending in Africa. *American Political Science Review* 98 (4):577-591.

Nooruddin, Irfan and Joel W. Simmons. 2006. The Politics of Hard Choices: IMF Programs and Government Spending. *International Organization* 60 (4):1001-1033.

Schultz, Kenneth A. and Barry R. Weingast. 2003. The Democratic Advantage: Institutional Foundations of Financial Power in International Competition. *International Organization* 57 (1):3-42.

Saiegh, Sebastian M. 2005. Do Countries Have a 'Democratic Advantage?' Political Institutions, Multilateral Agencies and Sovereign Borrowing. *Comparative Political Studies* 38 (4):366-387

Zucman, Gabriel. "The Missing Wealth of Nations: Are Europe and the US Net Debtors or Net Creditors?" *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 128, no. 3 (2013): 1321-1364.

#### Recommended reading

Przeworski, Adam and James Raymond Vreeland. 2000. The Effect of IMF Programs on Economic Growth. *Journal of Development Economics* 62 (2): 385-421.

Tomz, Michael. 2007. *Reputation and International Cooperation: Sovereign Debt across Three Centuries*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

### **Session 6: International capital mobility and investment**

#### Core reading

Jensen, Nathan M. 2006. *Nation-States and the Multinational Corporation: A Political Economy of Foreign Direct Investment*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. Chapters 4-6.

Simmons, Beth. 1994. Who Adjusts: Domestic Sources of Foreign Economic Policy During the Interwar Years. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. chap. 4.

Scheve, Kenneth and Matthew J. Slaughter. 2004. Economic Insecurity and the Globalization of Production. *American Journal of Political Science* 48(4):662-674.

Rickard, Stephanie J. "Incumbents Beware: The Impact of offshoring on elections." (2019).

#### Recommended reading

Way, Christopher R. 2005. Political Insecurity and the Diffusion of Financial Market Regulation. *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 598 (1):125-144.

Alesina, Alberto and David Dollar. 2000. Who Gives Foreign Aid to Whom and Why? *Journal of Economic Growth* 5 (1):33-63.

Stasavage, David. 2002. Private Investment and Political Institutions. *Economics and Politics* 14, 1: 41-63.

Scheve, Kenneth and Matthew J. Slaughter. 2004. Economic Insecurity and the Globalization of Production. *American Journal of Political Science* 48(4):662-674.

Frieden, Jeffrey A. 1994. International Investment and Colonial Control: A New Interpretation. *International Organization* 48 (4):559-593

## **Session 7. Democratic and capitalist peace theories**

### Core reading:

Oneal, John & Bruce Russett. 1999. "The Kantian Peace. The Pacific Benefits of Democracy, Interdependence, and International Organizations, 1885-1992." *World Politics*, 52(1): 1-37.

Rosato, Sebastian. 2003. "The Flawed Logic of Democratic Peace Theory." *American Political Science Review*, 97(4): 585-602.

Gartzke, Erik. 2007. "The Capitalist Peace." *American Journal of Political Science*, 51(1): 166-191.

Mousseau, Michael. 2009. "The Social Market Roots of Democratic Peace." *International Security*, 33(4): 52-86.

### Recommended:

Cederman, Lars-Erik. 2001. "Back to Kant: Reinterpreting the Democratic Peace As a Macrohistorical Learning Process." *American Political Science Review*, 95(1): 15-31.

Dafoe, Allan. 2011. "Statistical Critiques of the Democratic Peace: Caveat Emptor." *American Journal of Political Science*, 55(2): 247-262.

## **Session 8. Introducing history to explain the decline of war**

### Core reading:

Pinker, Steven. 2011. *The Better Angels of Our Nature*. London: Penguin. Ch. 5.

Gat, Azar. 2012. "Is War Declining –and Why?" *Journal of Peace Research*, 50(2): 149-157.

Gat, Azar. 2005. "The Democratic Peace Theory Reframed: The impact of Modernity." *World Politics*, 58(1): 73-100.

Chatagnier, J. Tyson, and Emanuele Castelli. 2016. "A Modern Peace? Schumpeter, the Decline of Conflict, and the Investment–War Trade-Off." *Political Research Quarterly*, 69(4): 852-864.

### Recommended:

Cederman, Lars-Erik, T. Camber Warren, and Didier Sornette. 2011. "Testing Clausewitz: Nationalism, Mass Mobilization, and the Severity of War." *International Organization*, 65(4): 605-638.

Inglehart, Ronald F., Bi Puranen, and Christian Welzel. 2015. "Declining Willingness to Fight for One's Country: The Individual-Level Basis of the Long Peace." *Journal of Peace Research*, 52(4): 418-434.

## **Session 9. Civil war: types and dynamics**

### Core reading:

Kalyvas, Stathis. 2006. *The Logic of Civil War*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. Chapters 1, 4 and 7.

Kalyvas, Stathis N., and Laia Balcells. 2010. "International System and Technologies of Rebellion: How the End of the Cold War Shaped Internal Conflict." *American Political Science Review*, 104(3): 415-429.

Balcells, Laia, and Stathis N. Kalyvas. 2014. "Does Warfare Matter? Severity, Duration, and Outcomes of Civil Wars." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 58(8): 1390-1418.

Staniland, Paul. 2012. "Organizing Insurgency: Networks, Resources, and Rebellion in South Asia." *International Security*, 37(1): 142-177.

## **Session 10. Civil war: causes**

### Core reading:

Fearon, James D., and David D. Laitin. 2003. "Ethnicity, Insurgency, and Civil War." *American Political Science Review*, 97(1): 75-90.

Cederman, Lars-Eirik, Kristian Gleditsch & Nils B. Ward. 2011. "Horizontal Inequalities and Ethnonationalist Civil War", *American Political Science Review*, 105: 478-495.

Besley, Timothy, and Torsten Persson. 2011. "The Logic of Political Violence." *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 126(3): 1411-1445. [You do not have to follow closely the formal model]

## **Session 11. Terrorism**

### Core reading:

De la Calle, Luis, and Ignacio Sánchez-Cuenca. 2011. "What We Talk About When We Talk About Terrorism." *Politics & Society*, 39(3): 451-472.

De la Calle, Luis, and Ignacio Sánchez-Cuenca. 2015. "How Armed Groups Fight: Territorial Control and Violent Tactics." *Studies in Conflict & Terrorism*, 38(10): 795-813.

Shapiro, Jacob. 2013. *The Terrorist's Dilemma. Managing Violent Cover Organizations*. Princeton: Princeton University Press. Chapters 1, 2 and 3.

Recommended:

Kydd, Andrew H., and Barbara F. Walter. 2007. "The Strategies of Terrorism." *International Security*, 31(1): 49-80.

**Session 12. Jihadist insurgencies: Between terrorism and guerrilla**

Core reading:

Walter, Barbara F. 2017. "The Extremist's Advantage in Civil Wars." *International Security*, 42(2): 7-39.

Holmes, Stephen. 2007. *The Matador's Cape. America's Reckless Response to Terror*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. Ch. 1.

Byman, Daniel. 2017. "Explaining Al Qaeda's Decline." *Journal of Politics*, 79(3): 1106-1117.

Jones, Seth G., et al. 2017. *Rolling Back the Islamic State*. Rand Corporation. Chapters 1, 2, 4 and 5.