Objectives
This class is meant to be an introduction to the study of international relations. It seeks to engage the ideas and actions shaping world politics and the ways in which they are debated and theorized.

Office Hours
The office is located on the third floor of the Jenkins Building, 314S. Regular office hours are kept between 10:50 and 12:00 on Mondays and Wednesdays. Additional meeting times can be made by appointment. Communication is also possible at bmguinn@miami.edu. Please check the blackboard before each class session for procedural and substantive information as the course goes along.

Readings
Selected Articles

Grading
Mid-Term Exam: 30% [20 February]
First Essay: 30% [27 March]
Second Essay: 30% [8 May]
Participation and Attendance: 10%

Rules of Order
Regular attendance is essential as the frameworks for the essays and the examination will be presented in class. A deduction of half a letter grade will accompany late papers for each day beyond the deadline. Plagiarism, of course, cannot be tolerated. Much the same can be said about late arrivals, early departures and such. Enough said.
Course Outline

Lecture One [14 January]
Overview

Introduction

Lecture Two [16 January]
Vortex …dialectics of anarchy and order

Readings

Suggested Readings

I. Foundations

Lecture Three [23 January]
Lenses …frameworks, method and classification systems

Readings

Suggested Readings
II. Intellectual Traditions

Lecture Four [28 January]

**Overview** ...international relations as an intellectual pursuit

Readings

Suggested Readings

Lecture Five [30 January]

**Genealogy** ...classical inquiries on power and political society

Readings

Suggested Readings

Lecture Six [4 February]

**Realpolitik** ...modern times and languages of power

Reading

Suggested Readings

Lecture Seven [6 February]

**Structure** ...new and still newer realisms

Readings
Suggested Readings

Lecture Eight [11 February]
**Liberalism** ...international society and languages of order

Readings

Suggested Readings

Lecture Nine [13 February]
**Convergence** ...functionalism, integration and interdependence

Readings

Suggested Readings

Lecture Ten [18 February]
**Critique** ...revisionism and emancipation

Readings

Suggested Readings
Lecture Eleven [25 February]

**Speech** …*social constructions and intersubjectivities*

Readings


Suggested Readings


Midterm [20 February]

**III. Statecraft**

Lecture Twelve [27 February]

**Agents** …*ideations and power*

Readings


Suggested Readings


Lecture Thirteen [4 March]

**Process** …*perception, office and decision*

Readings

[GP] Chapter Four, *Foreign Policy*, 127-149.


Suggested Readings


Lecture Fourteen [6 March]

**Adjustment … diplomatic investigations and the “English School”**

Readings


Suggested Readings


Lecture Fifteen [18 March]

**Alliance …concert, equilibrium and balancing**

Readings


Suggested Readings


IV. Security

Lecture Sixteen [20 March]

**Threat …securitization and the “Copenhagen School”**

Readings


Suggested Readings

Lecture Seventeen [25 March]

**Coercion …influence, escalation and force**

Readings

Suggested Readings

Lecture Eighteen [27 March]

**Terror …actors, actions and reactions**

Readings
[AJ] Robert A. Pape, *The Strategic Logic of Suicide Terrorism*.

Suggested Readings
[AJ] Bruce Hoffman, *What is Terrorism?*

Lecture Nineteen [1 April]

**Breakdown …civil war and social conflict**

Readings

Suggested Readings

Lecture Twenty [3 April]

**Pathology …crime, corruption and mass violence**

Readings
Suggested Readings

V. Markets

Lecture Twenty-one [8 April]

**Wealth** …visions of international political economy

Readings

Suggested Readings
[AJ] Michael J. Hiscox, The Domestic Sources of Foreign Economy Policy.

Lecture Twenty-two [10 April]

**Regimes** …slumps, trade and currency

Readings

Suggested Readings

Lecture Twenty-three [15 April]

**Shocks** …capital markets and financial crises

Readings

Suggested Readings
VI. Commons

Lecture Twenty-four [17 April]
*Institution* ...law, regime and organization

Readings

Suggested Readings

Lecture Twenty-five [22 April]
*Development* ...civil society, institutions and democratization

Readings

Suggested Readings

Lecture Twenty-six [24 April]
*Resource* ...energy, politics and environmental security

Readings

Suggested Readings