

Subject	“Peace and Conflicts: Theory and practice”			
	Type	Semester	ECTS	Code
	Mandatory (M)	3	5	
Course lecturer Course assistant Course tutor				
Aims and objectives	<p>This course will explore the theoretical and practical approaches to peace and conflict. The module aims is also to explain the conflict analysis models, peaceful approach to peace and conflict resolution in general. It mainly lies on the theories explaining the causes of war and state violence, national and international alternative theories, as well as preventing inter-state conflict, peace-building and peacekeeping. The course reviews a wide range of theories exploring the nature and causes of conflict, the possibilities for conflict resolution, and the foundations of peace. It provides students with a set of tools for the analysis of contemporary conflicts and shows how evidence and theory can be effectively used to understand peace and conflict.</p>			
Learning outcomes	<p>Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluate the advantages and difficulties of IR theories both in comparison to each other and vis-à-vis schemas drawn from other disciplines. • Discuss critically, and write knowledgeably about, major IR theories, relating these both to contemporary events and historical processes. • Review the theoretical and practical approaches to conflict and peace. • Explain models of conflict analysis, peaceful approach to peace and conflict resolution in general. 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate knowledge of the different theories to explain the development of armed conflict. • Analyse a conflict by applying relevant theories and methods. 			
	Course plan			Week

Course content	Introduction - Outline of the syllabus: the content of the course, the method,	1		
	International politics: traditional approaches	2		
	Armed conflicts (Wars), definitions, causes and consequences	3		
	Peace - traditional and modern approaches	4		
	Permanent peace through integration	5		
	Conflict resolution - methods and tools	6		
	International organizations (UN) and their role for peace and security	7		
	The former Yugoslavia: wars and resolution of conflicts	8		
	The Nuclear Weapons in International Relations - Peace from Fear	9		
	The EU's role in conflict prevention and peacebuilding	10		
	Humanitarian Intervention: case of Kosovo	11		
	Presentations of research papers	12		
	Presentations of research papers	13		
	Reflection and Summary of Course	14		
Teaching/Learning methods	Activity	Weight (%)		
	92. Lectures	50%		
	93. Essay	30%		
	94. Case Study	10%		
	95. Simulation	5%		
	96. Study visit	5%		
Assessment Methods	Assessment activity	Number	Week	Weight (%)
	66. Participation	15	1-15	20%
	67. Research paper + presentation	1	11-14	40%
	68. Final exam	1	15	40%
Course sources	Resources	Number		
	102. Lectures	various		
	103. Literature	various		
	104. Moodle	1		
	105. E-library	various		
	106. Projector	1		
	Activity	Weekly hrs	Total workload	

ECTS workload	127. Lectures 128. Exercise 129. Research paper 130. Independent Study 131. Consultations 132. Exam	2 1 n/a n/a n/a 1	30 15 33 40 5 2
Literature/References	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tim Dunne, Milja Kurki, Steve Smith, Teori të Marrëdhënieve Ndërkombëtare [titulli në origjinal: International relations theories (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007)], Tiranë: UET Press, 2010. • Collins Adam, Studime Bashkëkohore të Sigurisë, UET Press, 2012. • Desmond Dinan, Politikat e Bashkimi Europian, AIIS. • Hutington, Samuel, 'Përplasja e qytetërimeve dhe ribërja e rendit të ri botëror', botuar në shqip nga Logos-A, Shkup, Prishtinë, Tiranë, 2004. • Kant, Imanuel, 'Drejt paqes së përhershme', botuar në shqip nga Dritan Editions, Tirana, 2004. • Maill, Hugh; Ramsbotham, Oliver; Woodhouse, Tom; Contemporary Conflict Resolution, Polity Press, Cambridge, 1999. • Galtung, Johan, 'Cultural Violence', In: Journal of Peace Research, vol. 27, no. 3, 1990, pp 291- 305. • Galtung, Johan, 'Three Approaches to Peace: Peacebuilding, Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding', In: Peace, War and Defence – Essay in Peace Research, Vol.2, Copenhagen, 1975, pp 282-304. • Fukuyama, Francis Ndërtimi I Shtetit: Qeversijadherendiiribotëromëshekullin 21, AIIS, 2010. • Colard, Daniel, Les relations internationales de 1945 à nos jours, Armand Colin, 1999. • Contemporary Conflict Resolution, Oliver Ramsbotham, Tom Woodhouse and Hugh Miall. PolityPress Cambridge 2011. • GALTUNG, J. (2004), Transcend and Transform; An Introduction to Conflict Work, London, Pluto Press. • HAMPSON, F. MALONE, D. (2002), From Reaction to Conflict Prevention: Opportunities for the UN System, Boulder Lynne Reiner. • Held, D. (1995), Democracy and the Global Order: From the Modern State to Cosmopolitan • Hans Morgenthau, 'A Realist Theory of International Politics,' Politics Among Nations (New York: Alfred Knopf, 1985). • Kenneth Waltz, Theory of International Politics (New York: Random House, 1979). • Kenneth Waltz, Man, the State and War (New York: Columbia University Press, 1959). • Barry Buzan, "From International System to International Society: Structure, Realism and Regime Theory meet the English School," International Organization, vol. 47, no. 3 (1993). • Hedley Bull, The Anarchical Society: A Study of Order in World Politics 4th Edition, Red Globe Press, 2012. 		
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