

Minnesota State College Southeast

POLS 1130: World Politics

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: *.*

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: Goal 05 - Hist/Soc/Behav Sci, Goal 08 - Global Perspective

This course introduces major issues in world politics with emphasis on current events. Students will develop a better understanding of core political concepts to explore and analyze diverse global issues such as war and peacekeeping, international relations, human rights, environmental challenges, political economy, and international organizations. (Fulfills MnTC Goals 5 & 8) (Prerequisite: none) (3 credits: 3 lecture/0 lab)

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 05/01/2019 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Political Theory
2. Political Economy
3. Political Geography
4. International Conflict and Peacekeeping
5. Globalization
6. International Law
7. Nation-States
8. Non-State Organizations and Actors
9. Other topics may also include, but are not limited to: human rights, human migration, poverty, aid, environmental challenges, terrorism, development, and other global political issues.

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Assess global political institutions, employing a variety of International Relations theories
2. Assess global political processes, employing a variety of International Relations theories
3. Assess global political cultures, employing a variety of International Relations theories
4. Compare and contrast perspectives on international relations/world politics
5. Reflect on or participate in the roles and responsibilities of global citizens
6. Reflect critically on one's own values and opinions about global issues

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

Goal 05 - Hist/Soc/Behav Sci

1. Employ the methods and data that historians and social and behavioral scientists use to investigate the human condition.
2. Examine social institutions and processes across a range of historical periods and cultures.
3. Use and critique alternative explanatory systems or theories.
4. Develop and communicate alternative explanations or solutions for contemporary social issues.

Goal 08 - Global Perspective

1. Describe and analyze political, economic, and cultural elements which influence relations of states and societies in their historical and contemporary dimensions.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of cultural, social, religious and linguistic differences.
3. Analyze specific international problems, illustrating the cultural, economic, and political differences that affect their solution.

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted