FALL 2020 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

INTL 1101 Introduction to International Studies
001: (10169) Houck MWF 11:15-12:05 002: (10170) Green TR 10:00-11:15 003: (10171) Chernotsky TR 11:30-12:45
An introductory, interdisciplinary survey of the field of international studies. Attention will focus on the economic, geo-political and socio-cultural issues affecting relationships in an increasingly interdependent global system.

INTL 2100-090 Introduction to HGHR Studies  (12596) Cox TR 2:30-3:45
Cross-listed with HGHR 2100-001 (10929). Examines the Nazi Holocaust and its origins in Western thought and practice. Analyzes the psychological, cultural, and political roots of other genocides and forms of mass violence. Explores modern concepts of human rights and the role of human rights activism. (HGHR)

INTL 2121-001 Introduction to Development and Sustainability Studies  (16291) Smith TR 2:30-3:45
Cross-listed with GEOG 2121-001 (16648). International Development has been a central term to understand international politics since the post WWII era. In this course we seek to go over the history of development as a discourse and the different economic and political models that have shaped it. Rather than a straightforward transfer of money or infrastructure, international development will be shown to be a site of intense geopolitical tension and debate. Historical models and contexts of development will be reviewed in order to understand the evolution of development practice. Different agents and institutional architectures of development will be examined as will current issues of debate in global development such as: gender and microloans; climate change politics; and the impacts of migration. (DVST)

INTL 2131-001 Introduction to Peace, Conflict and Identity  (12608) Khoury TR 8:30-9:45
Cross-listed with ANTH 2131-001 (12733). Asks what identity is and why it matters in people’s lives. Offers a cross-cultural examination of the role of different forms of identity including race, ethnicity, gender, nationalism, and class in causing and resolving conflicts. Case studies from different parts of the world are explored. (PCID)

INTL 2301 Introduction to European Studies
001: (10868) Anderson TR 1:00-2:15 090: (13530) Deem W 7:00-9:45
Cross-listed with HIST 1121-001 (12303) and HIST 1121-090 (12336). European history from the Age of Absolutism to the present. (Europe)

INTL 3001-001 Foundations of Global Health  (14265) Sawhney MWF 9:05-9:55
Major and Minors Only. Permit Only. Cross-listed with HLTH 2103-001 (14603). Introduction to current issues in global health including disparities, root causes, and strategies for resolution. (DVST)

INTL 3001-002 Religion and Food  (14451) Persaud MWF 10:10-11:00
Cross-listed with ANTH 2020-002 (16756) and RELS 2000-002 (12291). Food has always been an important, although underexplored, element of religion. The study of food can reveal the beliefs, practices, and values a tradition holds dear. This course explores the relationship between religion and food by examining the role food plays in various religious traditions as well as the construction of food as an ethical category. We will read religious myths relating to food, discuss food and ritual, the way food is used to shape gender and social roles, and the ways in which food is used as a tool or indicator of morality. (DVST)

INTL 3001-003 Thinking Globally, Reading Deeply: Earth Matters  (14588) Dalsheim TR 11:30-12:45
What is at stake for humans living on a planet with dwindling natural resources, rising temperatures and sea levels? This innovative class approaches major contemporary issues through a close reading of a work of fiction to generate inquiry into matters of environmental humanities. Students will be encouraged to investigate further those issues that they find intriguing. Thus, the direction the class takes will largely be determined by students. (DVST)

INTL 3001-007 Women and Globalization  (14929) Ibrahim TR 4:00-5:15
Cross-listed with WGST 3050-007. This course is designed to engage with very important aspects of international trade and capitalism and the effects they have on human, especially women’s lives all over the developing world. (DVST)
INTL 3002-001 Anthropology of Violence  (16691) Fuentes MWF 10:10-11:00
Cross-listed with HCHR 3050-001 (16259) and ANTH 3127-001 (14621). This course examines violence throughout the world to inquire about cross-cultural diversity in the definition of violence, the expression of violence, and public policy about violence. Topics will include family violence, human trafficking, genocide, and war. {HGHR}

INTL 3002-A01 The US-Vietnam War and the Global Upheaval of the 1960’s/70  (14589) Cox TR 11:30-12:45
Cross-listed with HCHR 3050-A01 (14740) and HIST 3003-A01 (14313). The US-Vietnam War continues to haunt the political and cultural landscape of both nations. Yet the war remains poorly understood and remembered – in both lands. This course stresses the diversity of American experiences and the importance of Vietnamese points of view. The class begins with the French colonial era and devotes most of the semester to the period of American involvement (1954-1975), concluding with postwar legacies and contested memories. The course is a multidisciplinary, multicultural, global overview of the war’s history and context, examining imperialism, racism, and anti-colonialism; socialism and Stalinism; and the global youth revolt that was provoked in large part by this war. We will examine cultural texts (music, literature, film), memoirs, and other materials. {HGHR}

INTL 3002-004 Legacy of the Holocaust  (16759) LaPietra On-Line
Cross-listed with HCHR 3050-004 (13137) and RELS 3000-004 (13707). The historical meaning and significance of the Holocaust will be explored, with particular emphasis on oral testimony. Through readings and discussions, we will analyze and discuss the behavior and perspectives of victims, bystanders, and perpetrators—and also our own perspectives, as students of the Holocaust. After reading what historians have written about the Nazi genocide, student teams will research the USC Shoah Foundation Institute’s collection of survivor testimonies. {HGHR}

INTL 3003-002 Transnational Feminism  (16298) Ergun TR 11:30-12:45
Cross-listed with WGST 4050-002 (12731). This course explores how gender operates as a sociocultural, economic, and geo/political force in people’s lives around the world. In particular, it will examine the global influence of gender on issues related to economic development, labor and migration, the politics of sexuality and health, and transnational activism. Using an intersectional and interdisciplinary approach, the course will explore the ways in which women respond to intersecting systems of domination and build alliances across various divides to intervene in such regimes of oppression. {PCID}

INTL 3003-B01 Global Citizenship  (14445) Chernotsky TR 2:30-3:45
Cross-listed with POLS 3030-B01 (14440). This course explores the question of what it means to be a citizen in today’s increasingly interconnected world. It focuses on the concept of global citizenship and examines its usefulness as a guide to action. Students will have the opportunity to apply ideas of global citizenship in developing strategies to address such critical challenges as refugee resettlement, human trafficking, poverty, forced labor, ethnic conflict and global warming. {PCID}

INTL 3003-C01 Peacebuilding in Divided Societies  (14447) Khoury MW 2:30-3:45
Cross-listed with POLS 3030-C01 (12038). This course explores the various methods, techniques, and approaches to peacebuilding that can be applied in the midst of deep-rooted conflicts in multi-ethnic and divided societies. Several case studies (such as Israeli-Palestinian conflict, Cyprus, Northern Ireland, and South Africa) will be critically reviewed and examined to distill essential elements of building peace during on-going conflict. {PCID}

INTL 3003-D01 Human Rights and Conflict  (14444) Khoury TR 10:00-11:15
Cross-listed with POLS 3030-D01 (12760). This course examines the philosophical and legal debates about human rights. It explains the main principles of human rights law and provides a solid grounding in the main United Nations and regional systems for human rights protection and promotion. It also explores the links between human rights, humanitarian practice and violent conflict as well as the human rights dimensions of conflict resolution. It introduces students to many of the ethical and operational issues facing a range of state and non-state actors responding to today’s conflicts. {PCID}

INTL 3003-E01 Extremist Ideologies and the Politics of Terror  (14445) Valenta TR 10:00-11:15
Cross-listed with POLS 3030-E01 (13033). The recent rise of extremist ideologies around the world and the violent acts that often accompany them compels us to ask: Where does extremism come from? How do ideologies that support terrorist activities develop and spread among people? And most importantly, what can we do to mitigate the occurrence of these horrific acts? This course will address these questions, introducing basic definitions and concepts pertaining to contemporary terrorism, and the history and development of extremist ideologies as well as possible solutions and strategies for promoting tolerance and prevention of ideological radicalization. {PCID}

INTL 3005-003 Ancient Civilizations in the Middle East and Asia  (16937) Stroud MWF 12:20-1:10
Cross-listed with HIST 2002-003 (16872). In this course, we will examine the rise of civilizations in the Middle East and Asia and the result of their inhabitants’ refusal to give in to the challenges of their creation. Using both text and media sources, we will compare and contrast the development of cities, governments, ideologies, and culture in these regions and better understand the contributions that they have made to the global community. {Asia}
INTL 3005-A03 Made in China: Modern Chinese History in Objects  (16692)  Du  TR  11:30-12:45  
Cross-listed with HIST 3002-A03 (16174). This reading-intensive class introduces the history of modern China (14th century-present) through a wide variety of objects, ranging from tea to money, gunpowder to embroidery, and bronze vessels to iphone. Each object provides a unique angle to observe Chinese politics, culture, economy, and foreign relations in the past seven centuries. Each week, a combination of a lecture and a discussion session, focuses on one historical topic and one related object. The class assignments are scaffolded into two object-centered research projects that explore a particular period of Chinese history. (Asia)

INTL 3111-001 Politics and Culture in Literature  (12274)  Arnold  On-line  
(W) An exploration of different types of political systems across the world and the ways in which the cultures and values of those systems are reflected in literature. The relationship between politics and literature will be examined with particular reference to such topics as human rights, gender roles and war. The political systems selected for consideration will be representative of different geographic regions and philosophies. (PCID)

INTL 3112-001 Globalization and Culture  (10178)  Green  TR  1:00-2:15  
Cross-listed with ANTH 3112-001 (11714). This course explores the relationship between processes of globalization and cultural change. It will consider the breakdown of the system between lived cultural experience and territorial location. Of special interest will be issues of cultural homogenization, cultural hybridization and emergent cultural identities brought about by the flows of people, ideas and objects in the contemporary world. (PCID)

INTL 3117-001 Narratives and Conflict  (16800)  Dalsheim  TR  2:30-3:45  
Cross-listed with ANTH 3117-001 (16803). In conflict situations, competing interpretations of the past can become part of the struggle itself as each side vies for recognition of its version of events. This course focuses on the role these stories play in the historical development of conflicts and the effects they have on efforts to resolve them. It also focuses initially on the role of narratives in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Students have the opportunity to explore other cases, including Northern Ireland, Bosnia, and South Africa. (PCID)

INTL 3127 Global Media  
001:  (13101)  Jiang  WF  2:30-3:45  090:  (16423)  Ngwainmbi  M  5:30-8:15  091:  (13102)  Ngwainmbi  R  5:30-8:15  
Cross-listed with COMM 3127-001 (13100), COMM 3127-090 (16424), COMM 3127-091 (13093). The course examines the theories and practices of globalization as related to mediated communication and the operation of global media, its consumption and impact. Specific issues studied include global media conglomerates, global media law, media systems, and international development. (DVST)

Cross-listed with ANTH 3135-001 (12609). An analysis of European colonial expansion from the 16th through the 19th centuries, emphasizing the formation of the first global systems of political, economic, and cultural interaction, the foundation of modern globalization. Using a cross-cultural approach, the course will explore both details of the international competition and conflict between the great powers, and the effects of conquest and colonialism on the indigenous peoples of Africa, Asia, and the Americas. (DVST)

INTL 3400 International Studies Internship  
001:  (16270)  002:  (16271)  003:  (10241)  Houck  
Major and Minors Only. Pre-requisite: Permission of the Department. Practical experience and/or training related to the field of International Studies. A minimum of 45 hours per credit.

INTL 3800 INTL Independent Study  
001:  (16272)  002:  (16273)  003:  (16274)  Houck  
Major and Minors Only. Pre-requisite: Permission of the Department. Supervised investigation of an issue related to the field of International Studies that is of special interest to the student and that is not covered in existing or available courses.

NTL 4601 International Studies Seminar  
001:  (10242)  Green  MWF  11:15-12:05  002:  (10243)  Houck  MWF  1:25-2:15  
Cross-listed with INTL 4601-H01 (16275), INTL 4601-H02 (16276). (W,O) Majors Only. Permit Only. Pre-requisite: Permission of the Department. A capstone seminar involving in-depth research and analysis of topics of common interest to all majors, yet specific to each student's area studies concentration.

INTL 4701-H01 Honors Research in Global Studies  (16277)  Houck  (TBD)  
Majors only, Pre-requisite, Permission of the Department. The capstone for the Global Studies Honors Program. Students admitted to the program conduct intensive research on a topic relevant to Global Studies and their concentration within the International Studies major, produce a thesis paper that demonstrates a high level of academic rigor and creative thinking, and present and defend it to a committee of Global Studies faculty for final evaluation.

LBST 2102-236 Global and Intercultural Connections  (15016)  Khoury  TR  1:00-2:15  
This course examines two or more cultures in their own contexts and in the contexts of the global conditions and influences that impact all major world cultures today. Particular attention is given to an analysis of the complex nature of globalization and to a consideration of both its positive and negative impacts.