

‘Major Global Issues and Challenges’

国際社会研究演習

Course Outline and Basic Syllabus Information **(for Students taking their Second Semester Quarter for the** **‘Major Global Issues and Challenges’ course)**

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Theme:

This seminar will focus on a number of key global issues and challenges.

Goal of Course and Educational Objectives

At the end of the course, students should have a sound knowledge of a selected number of some of the world’s most important issues and challenges and their influence on present day international relations. In addition to brief weekly homework assignments, they should be able to display their knowledge of, and opinions about, chosen topics in a writing assignment *or* in an in-class presentation. See the ‘Assessment Information’ document or go to Dr. Senan Fox’s website (<http://www.senanfox.com/>) for more details.

Learning Outcomes

In one semester quarter, students will be asked to submit one writing assignment *or* to conduct an in-class presentation based on a topic selected by the student. Students will also be expected to complete a homework assignment for each of the topics shown below. The exact assessment requirements will be discussed in greater detail in Week 1 (Guidance Week).

Weekly Topics:

*****The seminars below relate to students taking their second semester quarter for the `Major Global Issues and Challenges` course.**

Seminar **1**: *Guidance Week and Course Introduction (for new students) **or** Individual Topic Discussions Seminar – continuing students choose a relevant topic of their own interest and discuss it (for students continuing from Semester Quarter 1)*

Seminar **2**: *Women's Rights*

Seminar **3**: *Workers' Rights **or** The Rights of Children [**A Student's Individual Choice – Choose only one of the two topics**]*

Seminar **4**: *Genocide, War Crimes, and Crimes Against Humanity*

Seminar **5**: *War and Peace (the Causes and Consequences of Conflict, and the Challenges of Peacekeeping and Post-Conflict Reconstruction)*

Seminar **6**: *Global Poverty*

Seminar **7**: *Environmental Issues and Resource Competition*