

International Organizations

Course Rationale

1. International Institutions that encompass both international organizations and international rules play important roles in shaping dynamics of international security and world politics. This course focuses on international organizations dealing with politics and security governed by formal treaties and informal rules, norms, and strategies of actors. To understand the functioning and role of international organizations, it is important to study key theoretical concepts and analytical frameworks through case studies and the literature on international organizations and non-state organizations.

2. In a hyper globalized world, being member or not of any international organization is not that much important now because, in any case, the rules and regulations due to their global acceptance have attained the status of global customs now. Therefore, it is important for the students of strategic studies to know about the functioning of international organizations to better understand the dynamics of world politics and global security.

3. In recent years, Pakistan being at the forefront of the war on terror has been a subject of intense debates at international organizations like FATF, UNSC, NATO, etc. Hence, it is important to instil the sense of working and role of international organizations via-a-vis Pakistan and vice versa.

Educational Objectives

4. The proposed course presents an opportunity to the students of Strategic Studies to equip themselves with the requisite theoretical and analytical knowledge about the functioning of international organizations and the role of states play in it.

Input Obtained from Industry/Corporate Sector/Subject Specialists/Academia

5. Besides consulting course curriculums of different departments in universities of Islamabad and Rawalpindi, opinion of subject specialists was also solicited.

International Practice

6. Following courses on International Organizations are being taught in reputed universities:

- a. International Organizations: Master of Government, Harvard University.
- b. International Organizations: Master of Politics and International Relations University of London.
- c. In International Organizations: Master of Political Science/International Relations, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad.

Proposed Timeframe of Commencement

7. The course is proposed for the Fall 2022 as part of the elective courses to be taught at CIPS

Course Content

8.a. **Course Code:** SS-812

b. **Title:** International Organizations

c. **Credit Hours:** 3hrs

d. **Objectives.** to understand the existing logics, theories, concepts, and functions of international organizations

e. **Outcomes.** The students of this course should be able to:

- (1) to appraise the political and legal dimensions of international organizations
- (2) to think critically and theoretically about the dynamic roles of international institutions in world politics that impose consequences on countries and citizens of the world.

f. **Contents with suggested contact hours:** This will be a 16 classes *3hrs = 48 credit hours course. Following topics will be covered in this module and. The content of the course will be spread along the following topics and issues:

- (1) Theoretical frameworks of world governance
- (2) History of attempts at world governance
- (3) League of Nations
- (4) United Nations
- (5) North Atlantic Treaty Organization
- (6) International Court of Justice
- (7) International Criminal Court
- (8) International Committee of Red Cross

(9) Shanghai Cooperation Organization

g. Details of lab work, workshops practice (if applicable). NA

h. Recommended Reading (including Textbooks and Reference books).

- (1) Brian Frederking and Paul F. Diehl, eds., *The Politics of Global Governance: International Organizations in an Interdependent World*, fifth edition (Lynne Rienner, 2015).
- (2) Margaret P. Karns, Karen A. Mingst, and Kendall W. Stiles, *International Organizations: The Politics and Processes of Global Governance*, third edition (Lynne Rienner, 2015).
- (3) Robert O. Keohane and Joseph S. Nye, *Power and Interdependence*, fourth edition (Longman, 2012).
- (4) Thomas G. Weiss, David P. Forsythe, Roger A. Coate, and Kelly-Kate Pease, *The United Nations and Changing World Politics*, seventh edition (Westview, 2014).
- (5) John J. Mearsheimer, "The False Promise of International Institutions," *International Security*, vol. 19, no. 3 (Winter 1994-95), pp. 5-49.
- (6) Keohane and Nye, parts I, 1V, V, pp. 282-94.
- (7) Jessica T. Mathews, "Power Shift," *Foreign Affairs*, vol. 76, no. 1 (January/February 1997), pp. 50-66. Anne-Marie Slaughter, "The Real New World Order," *Foreign Affairs*, vol. 76, no. 5 (September/October 1997), pp. 183-97.
- (8) Ernst B. Haas, "Why Collaborate? Issue-Linkage and International Regimes," *World Politics*, vol. 32, no. 3 (April 1980), pp. 357-405.
- (9) Michael N. Barnett and Martha Finnemore, "The Politics, Power, and Pathologies of International Organizations," *International Organization*, vol. 53, no. 4 (Autumn 1999), pp. 699-732