

## **School of International Relations**

### **Important Degree Information:**

#### **B.Sc./M.A. Honours**

The general requirements are 480 credits over a period of normally 4 years (and not more than 5 years) or part-time equivalent; the final two years being an approved honours programme of 240 credits, of which 90 credits are at 4000 level and at least a further 120 credits at 3000 and/or 4000 levels. Refer to the appropriate Faculty regulations for lists of subjects recognised as qualifying towards either a BSc or MA degree.

#### **B.Sc./M.A. Honours with Integrated Year Abroad**

The general requirements are 540 credits over a period of normally 5 years (and not more than 6 years) or part-time equivalent; the final three years being an approved honours programme of 300 credits, of which 60 credits are gained during the integrated year abroad, 90 credits are at 4000 level and at least a further 120 credits at 3000 and/or 4000 levels. Refer to the appropriate Faculty regulations for lists of subjects recognised as qualifying towards either a BSc or MA degree.

**Other Information:** In the case of students who spend part of the Honours Programme abroad on a recognised Exchange Scheme, the Programme Requirements will be amended to take into account courses taken while abroad.

<b>Degree Programmes</b>	<b>Programme Requirements at:</b>
(M.A. Honours): <b>International Relations</b>	<p><b>Single Honours International Relations Degree:</b></p> <p><b>Level 1:</b> 40 credits consisting of IR1005 and IR1006</p> <p><b>Level 2:</b> 40 credits consisting of passes at 11 or better in IR2003 and IR2004.</p> <p><b>Level 3:</b> 120 credits from IR3004 - IR3202</p> <p>30 credits may be taken outwith International Relations, with the permission of the Director of Teaching.</p> <p><b>Level 4:</b> IR4099 and 90 credits from IR4501 - IR4590</p>
(M.A. Honours): <b>International Relations and Arabic, Art History, Biblical Studies, Classical Studies, Economics, Film Studies, French^, Geography, German^, Italian^, Management, Mathematics, Mediaeval History~, Middle East Studies, Modern History, Philosophy, Psychology, Russian^, Scottish History, Social Anthropology, Spanish^, Theological Studies.</b>	<p><b>International Relations element of Joint Honours Degrees:</b></p> <p><b>Level 1:</b> 40 credits consisting of IR1005 and IR1006</p> <p><b>Level 2:</b> 40 credits consisting of passes at 11 or better in IR2003 and IR2004.</p> <p><b>Level 3:</b> 60 credits from IR3004 - IR3202</p> <p><b>Level 4:</b> 60 credits from IR4099 - IR4590</p>
<p>^ available also as 'With Integrated Year Abroad Degrees'</p> <p>~Timetable clash exists therefore this combination is subject to arrangement with both departments.</p>	

<b>Degree Programmes</b>	<b>Programme Requirements at:</b>
(M.A. Honours): <b>Modern Languages with International Relations</b>	<p><b>International Relations element of Minor Degree Programmes:</b></p> <p><b>Level 1:</b> 40 credits consisting of IR1005 and IR1006</p> <p><b>Level 2:</b> 40 credits consisting of passes at 11 or better in IR2003 and IR2004</p> <p><b>Level 3:</b> The programme requires at least 90 credits in IR of which at least 30 must be taken from IR3004 - IR3202</p> <p><b>Level 4:</b> At least 30 credits must be taken from IR4099 - IR4590</p>

## **Modules**

**Normally the prerequisite for each of the following Honours modules is entry to the Honours Programme(s) for which they are specified, as well as any specific prerequisite(s) given.**

**General degree students wishing to enter 3000 modules and non-graduating students wishing to enter 3000 or 4000 level modules must consult with the relevant Honours Adviser within the School before making their selection.**

## **International Relations (IR) Modules**

### **IR3004 International Political Economy**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module will begin with an outline of the three major traditions of international political economy: liberalism, marxism and nationalism, providing an explanation of their main ideas, as well as a critique. After a brief examination of some more contemporary theories, the module will go on to examine the politics of international trade, including an overview of the GATT system, and some topical trade issues. The module will examine the importance of multinational corporations in the world trading system, and will then go on to look at relations between North and South. The module will finish with the importance of regional economic groupings, some thoughts on the future international economic regime.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR3006 International Regimes and Organisations**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module covers: regime theory and international relations; the rise of the international organisation; international conference diplomacy and rise of multi-lateralism; the UN system and its growth after 1945; complex cases of multi-lateral diplomacy; politicization and financial issues in the UN system, the post-cold War reform of the UN.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR3007 Democracy and Democratisation**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module examines some of the models of democracy and the questions raised by democratic political orders. It explores the spread of democratisation in recent decades using examples from Latin America, Southern and Eastern Europe. Finally, it addresses the possibilities of, and arguments about democratising the international political system.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR3008 International Terrorism**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module examines the concept of terrorism; problems of definition; nature and characteristics and relationships to other forms of violence; typology; political objectives, strategies and motivations; underlying causes of rise and decline of terrorism; dilemmas of democratic and international response; aviation terrorism; terrorism and diplomacy; the problem of state sponsorship and support; problems of international co-operation, including the use of diplomacy, international law and organisation, and police and intelligence measures.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR3011 Ethics and World Politics**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module will examine some of the most important ethical questions in contemporary world politics against the background of more general debates in ethics and political theory. Its objectives are: (1) to allow students to develop a knowledge of the complexities and problematics of contemporary ethical and theoretical debate as they impact upon questions of world politics and (2) to develop a thorough account of the major ethical dilemmas of contemporary world politics. The module begins with a discussion of some of the major competing ethical approaches to world politics (cosmopolitan, realist, sceptical and critical) and then moves on to a focus on issues such as the use of force, justice, environmental concerns, and the character and possible evolution of the state as the central actor in world politics. It will close with a consideration of the importance of questions of character and virtue in world politics.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR3013 Modern Ideologies**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: The module aims at analysing modern ideologies and at establishing their relevance for theories of international relations. It examines the ideological assumptions on human nature and on the relationship between individual and society which lie behind different theories of international relations. The module deals with three related problems: a) the analysis of the concept of 'ideology'; b) the assessment of the contributions to the understanding of politics offered by Liberalism, Conservatism, Marxism, Fascism, Feminism and Ecologism; c) the investigation of the connections between classical ideologies and theories of international relations.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

## **International Relations – Honours 2006/07 – September 2006**

### **IR3021 Case Studies in Conflict Analysis**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module provides students with an opportunity to work on case studies in conflict analysis, in which they develop the skills required to analyse the roots, dynamics, key actors and issues-areas in specific conflicts. They will be introduced to the theoretical frameworks contained within conflict analysis about definitions of conflict, perceptions, historical interpretations, political, social, cultural and economic dynamics, initiation and escalation, and then will be asked to choose and investigate a particular case study according to the different analytical frameworks associated with conflict analysis. Problems associated with researching conflict and violence will also be tackled. This will provide the basis for each student to engage in a detailed case study, chosen from a specific list of key cases.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Lectures, and occasional seminars and tutorials

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR3023 US Foreign Policy: The Dilemmas of Empire**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: The module will be descriptive, explanatory, and evaluative. The first week of class will be devoted to a brief survey of theories of foreign policy, focusing on a range of positivist and post-positivist debates. From that point onwards, theoretical debates will be subsumed into the various historical, constitutional and structural descriptions of how US foreign policy is formulated and executed. Throughout the module we will also explore various normative critiques of the conduct of US foreign policy.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR3024 The Politics of Africa**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module provides an introduction to the study of African politics. Contemporary Africa is complex and varied: the continent consists of around fifty states with very different histories, colonial experiences, economies, values, and social structures. The module reviews the social and historical context of contemporary political life, looking at the changes the continent has undergone since independence. It will examine and seek to understand the colonial legacy, the nature of the post-colonial state, society and its institutions, the nation-building projects and policies of these states and the movement towards democratisation and the continuation of authoritarian rule through “low intensity democracy”.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR3025 International Security**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module provides a general overview of international security affairs using a variety of conceptual perspectives, ranging from orthodox realist and liberal approaches to more recent critical theories. It also covers traditional issues of security studies such as the offence-defence balance, alliance formation, and collective security, as well as the ‘new security agenda’ involving societal security, environment, public health, and related problems.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR3026 Diplomacy and Conflict Intervention**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module will explore the changing nature of diplomacy as it relates to conflict intervention, including the differences between the old and the new diplomacy and the range of governmental and non-governmental actors in conflict intervention, from encouraging and facilitating dialogue to economic sanctions to monitoring human rights, to peacekeeping and peace-enforcement, to forums for addressing past injustice. These forms of intervention will be critically analysed against the background of globalisation.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR3027 American New World Orders in the Twentieth Century**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module will examine the historical roots of the phenomenon widely known as the 'new world order' as developed, mainly, but not exclusively, by a series of United States Presidents since 1918. It will also critically examine the policy discussions that took place to re-define the nature of international order during the First and Second World Wars, and since 1991, up to and including the neo-conservative thinkers of the recent period. It will further look at the main concepts that emerged from such thinking, and notably self-determination, the international organization and the further emergence of global capitalism.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR3028 The Politics of China**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module will examine the politics of post-1949 China, first examining post-Communist Revolution political history and the development of the Chinese Communist Party. The module will then describe the structure of the Chinese party-state, leadership issues from Mao Zedong to Hu Jintao, modern issues of governance, state-society relations, and political relations between central actors and the provinces. Current socio-political issues, including economic development and modernization, and the "Rise of China" phenomenon, as well as current social issues within the PRCE, will also be surveyed.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR3029 The Logic of Irregular Warfare**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: The purpose of this module is to examine the dynamics of violence in three distinct forms of irregular armed conflict: civil wars, insurgencies and guerilla wars. Its starting point is that the twentieth century has witnessed a shift from traditional forms of warfare to these three distinct forms of irregular war and that this shift demands a reconsideration of the way that warfare is studied. Using theoretical approaches to the subject, as well as historical case studies, it will identify the dynamics of irregular warfare in the twentieth century, trace the diverse motivations and strategies implicit in different kinds of irregular warfare, and discuss the implications of this shift for those responsible for countering irregular warfare.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

## **International Relations – Honours 2006/07 – September 2006**

### **IR3101 Soviet and Post-Soviet Politics**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: The module examines the reform process initiated by Mikhail Gorbachev, focusing in particular on economic reform and democratisation and the impact of the reform process on the Soviet Federation. It goes on to examine the problems of creating new political orders in a post-communist world, focusing primarily on Russia.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One 2 hour seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR3104 The International Relations of Post-communist Central and Eastern Europe**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: The module aims to teach students to apply the concepts, theories and methods of international relations to the subject of the International Relations of post-communist Central and Eastern Europe. Subjects covered include: Mechanisms of control in Soviet-East European Relations; the nature of the 1989 revolutions; changes to the international system; nationalism and ethnic conflict; the Yugoslav war; Russia's place in Europe; regional cooperation; political-economic change in this international context; western approaches to Eastern Europe; and the new European security architecture.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR3109 Politics & State Formation in the Middle East**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module examines the modern political history of the Middle East, concentrating on the period since 1945. It examines how the pre-modern historical heritage of the region, the impact of imperialism and the advance of modernisation have shaped contemporary politics. The module also examines contemporary political ideologies and movements, elites, the role of the military, authoritarian state structures, economic development policies, and the prospects of Islamization and democratisation. This is done through case studies mainly of Turkey, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Syria and, to a lesser extent, other countries.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR3111 Asian Security**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: Establishing a security framework for Asia that will limit the risks of major war is one of the great challenges in contemporary international politics. This module will examine the evolution of security relations in Asia with special attention being given to South and East Asia and to the period since the end of the Cold War. It will consider the security cultures and policies of China, India and Japan, their relations with one another and with the United States, and the security 'architecture' that might emerge in Asia. It will also examine unresolved disputes over Taiwan and Kashmir, problems on the Korean peninsula, and the role of multilateral regimes and other international institutions.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR3113 Gender and Generation**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Description: The incorporation of issues of gender into the prevailing international relations discourse changes the way in which international relations is thought about, and theorised. This module will examine the meaning of such change, and will also argue that, in a similar way, incorporating children into the established discourse may mean that traditional themes and constructs – such as states, sovereignty, political identity, agency, power, representation, etc. – are transformed. This module includes an examination of such issues as the use of child soldiers; women and warfare; children's economic role; and political theory as it relates to the family.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR4099 Honours Dissertation in International Relations**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: Available only to students in the second year of the Honours Programme.

Anti-requisite: Any other Dissertation module

Description: The dissertation will be approximately 10,000 words. Topics must be capable of being supervised by the established staff and each student will (a) submit a dissertation outline to the department, (b) be assigned a supervisor, who will be available to discuss issues related to the dissertation, (c) be required to attend one general lecture on research and at least two 1 hour supervisory meetings.

Teaching: To be arranged.

Assessment: Dissertation = 100%

**IR4501 International Politics of Nuclear Weapons**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: Are nuclear weapons dying, or are they here to stay? This module will begin by examining the role of nuclear weapons in the Cold War, and the history of nuclear arms control. It will then consider early 1990s initiatives to end the nuclear arms race, strengthen the non-proliferation regime, and achieve disarmament. Why have these initiatives run into difficulty? Topics covered will include the lessons from; nuclear weapons in Asian politics; and shifts in US ordering strategies before and after 9/11. The module will also consider how recent nuclear developments affect, and are being affected by, happenings in other fields of military technology and arms control.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR4502 Conflict Management, Settlement and Resolution**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: Understanding how and why conflict emerges, and how it may be addressed are crucial issues in the international system. Conflict between states and the emergence of conflict derived from political, social, structural, historical, and ethnic roots have driven the development of apparatus to address conflict, ranging from diplomatic exchanges, the use of military force, peacekeeping, negotiation, mediation and conflict resolution. This module is divided into two main areas, the first discusses various approaches used to analyse conflict, from the point of view of states, individuals and groups, regional and international organizations, investigating dominant issues of conflict, including state-interests, territory, sovereignty, development, resources, identity, culture, ethnicity, and representation. The second part of the module then examines the various approaches that have emerged for addressing conflict. Topical case studies will provide an empirical focus.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

## **International Relations – Honours 2006/07 – September 2006**

### **IR4504 Language of Politics**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module examines key political concepts for students of national and international politics. In particular, the module puts under scrutiny contrasting definitions of 'human nature'; it analyses the presuppositions of competing theories of the function of 'government'; it discusses the different meaning that different theorists have given to concepts such as 'state', 'nation', 'sovereignty', 'power', 'authority', 'legitimacy', 'rights', 'obligation', 'law' and 'punishment'. The analytical approach is combined with the attempt to put definitions in the historical and ideological context from which they emerged.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR4507 International Relations of the Middle East**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module examines Middle East international relations, with a special concern for the following topics: 1) the special character of the Middle East state system, including the exceptional impact of the international system on the region and the special role of identity and religion in regional politics; 2) the determinants of the foreign policies of Middle East states, including the impact of variations in state structures (between monarchies, radical republics and semi-democracies) on foreign policy behaviour; and 3) analysis of regional conflict and war and of order-building experiments.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture, one seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR4509 World Order in the History of Political Thought**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module investigates conceptions and practices of world order as they have evolved in the history of political thought. It offers an interpretation of some of the leading constellations of practices and conceptions, traces their origins and overlapping histories and suggests what the implications of this complex narrative might be for contemporary world politics. It does this by using a mixture of philosophical and other texts, historical events and secondary literature and commentaries. While the focus is on the contrasting conceptions of world order available in the modern world (understood as being between 1500 and 2000), some attention will also be given to pre-modern conceptions and practices.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%



**IR4510 Central Asia in Global Politics**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: Dramatically and unexpectedly, Central Asia was thrust to independence in 1991. Of all the Soviet republics, the five of Central Asia – Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan – had been the largest net recipients of Soviet aid, had benefited most economically from the Soviet Union and had thus been the most reluctant to break from the Soviet empire. Once the path of independence was followed, each of these five states faced considerable ethnic, state, economic, social and foreign policy challenges. This module aims to analyse these nation- and state-building agendas, seeking to address critically some of the now widely held assumptions about this post-Soviet area. Moreover, located in one of the world's most strategic zones, between Russia, China and a troubled Middle East, Central Asia relies on its substantial human and natural resources in the renegotiation of its geopolitical status.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR4514 Global Public Policy**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07. Only available to students in the Second Year of the Honours Programme.

Description: This module examines the formulation of multilateral agreements to manage global policy problems in a variety of issue-areas such as environment, new technologies, and sustainable development. It will use a variety of IR and related social theories such as functionalism, regime theory and the common-heritage of mankind, to explain problems in constructing binding international agreements. Extended case studies may include climate change, the law of the sea and the 'digital divide'.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR4515 Human Rights: Theories and Practice**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: not available 2006-07

Description: This module examines the rise and evolution of human rights over the past half-century. It begins with an examination of some human rights agreements and their origins. It then covers the challenges to human rights, of their efficacy, of their putative universal nature, and the possibility of relativism regarding rights. The module will then turn to human rights in practice, including that of transitional justice, regional human rights bodies, and international criminal accountability. It will, finally consider new factors in human rights and the future of human rights. The practice section will look at cases as they arise in context, examining first concrete case studies of rights violations, and then specific institutional and legal responses to those violations.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

## **International Relations – Honours 2006/07 – September 2006**

### **IR4516 The International Relations of Sub-Saharan Africa**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module examines Sub-Saharan Africa's relations with and position in the global political economy. The module will aim to help understand the historical roots and contemporary impulses that help shape Africa's international relations. The module explores how Africa's nation-states and peoples interact with multilateral development banks, international institutions, aid organisations and other actors (including both "normal" external states and clandestine networks of accumulation). We will consider Africa's debt and its impact upon the continent's international relations, acknowledging that it is unsustainable but asking if total debt write-off is feasible or desirable. Why Africa's share in world trade is declining and the impact this has on the continent will also be discussed as will the role of trade restrictions and the WTO in shaping Africa's international relations. We will ask what is the logic of regional integration and can it work in Africa, whilst examining the stated goals of political unity and economic progress through the African Union. Is this just rhetoric or is there now hope for solid achievements on both political and economic fronts? We finish with an evaluation with the latest plan to put Africa on the global map: the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD).

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR4518 Ethics and the Use of Force**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module will explore the use of military force from a normative perspective. The overall thesis of the course is that norms can both enable and restrain the use of force. It will introduce students to moral, legal, and sociological methods of studying the norms that influence the use of military force. Substantive issue areas include: aerial warfare, weapons of mass destruction; humanitarian intervention; terrorism and counter terrorism; and preemptive and preventive war.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR4520 Political Islam and International Relations**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module examines the causes, evolution and diffusion of political Islam in the core regions of the Muslim world and beyond in the modern period. It aims to describe the key features of this phenomenon, its influence on national and regional politics as well as on international relations. It describes the specificity of political Islam as a religious-based ideology and how it informs the rise of pro-Islamic movements across the Muslim world. It focuses on the relationship between Islamic movements and state, and between Islamic movements and civil society within the context of political liberalism and pluralism. The liberal and scriptural interpretations that dominate contemporary debates will be examined in relation to the local, national, regional and global context of contemporary international politics. Of particular relevance are the issues of the compatibility of politics and democracy, of political Islam and state power, of political Islam and liberal-democracy, and of the Western representation of political Islam as a security threat.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR4521 Representations of International Relations**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module examines the different ways in which we gain our knowledge regarding international relations. In particular, it uses examinations of a variety of different genres to understand why international relations, and the actors that populate it, are constructed in the way that they are. Different genres examined include: art, literature and children's literature, photography, poetry, satire, film, music and dance. The module asks what such representations can add to existing discourses surrounding international relations. In doing so, the module provides a critical analysis of the nature of the international relations discipline.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR4522 Critical Approaches to International Security**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module will analyse the various challenges to the concept of international security since the end of the Cold War, facilitate critical thinking about the changing meaning of security as it relates to different modes of theoretical analysis, and critically analyse the re-emergence of an emphasis on security as the threat and use of force since 11 September 2001.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR4523 The Aftermath of Wars, Liberal Dilemmas**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module will examine the aftermath of wars since about 1900 and ask what options have been open to policy makers in smoothing the transition to peace. To do so it will look at a series of such policy options in both historical depth and current reality. Most of these policy options start with an 'r': restitution, reparation, reconciliation, reconstruction, retribution etc. This module is organized around those 'r's. Each of these policy options has in itself a 'history' that is here explicitly linked to liberal thinking about war and hence to liberal views about how they should be ended.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

**IR4524 Theories of Justice in a Global Age**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module examines some of the main contemporary theories of justice in an era of ostensible globalisation. While traditionally the nation-state has been assumed as a relevant framework of justice, the sociopolitical changes associated with globalisation challenge the established basis for claims of justice. In this module substantive issues concerning sovereignty and international order, inequality, poverty, community, power, rights, and resistance will be considered through the writings of major thinkers spanning the theoretical spectrum, including liberalism, cosmopolitanism, critical theory, and radical democracy.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

## **International Relations – Honours 2006/07 – September 2006**

### **IR4525 Security and Insecurity in the Post-Communist Space**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2007-08

Description: This module examines where and why ethno-national tensions and conflicts have arisen in the post-communist space. It also gives comparative attention to the roles of major states, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations in dealing with these conflicts.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Lectures & tutorials.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR4526 Terrorism Radicalism and Extremism**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module introduces the student to a series of advanced theoretical, conceptual, methodological and policy-relevant issues in the study of the radicalization process and its relationship to terrorism. Through a research-led lecture series, informed by contemporary research on terrorism conducted by researchers at the University of St Andrews, students will be introduced to multi-disciplinary frameworks in understanding such issues as the utility of root cause explanations of terrorism, involvement in terrorism, counterterrorism, and conceptual and theoretical frameworks in understanding the process of radicalization to terrorism.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR4527 International Relations of the European Union**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module examines the European Union (EU) from a variety of perspectives derived from major theories/concepts of international relations and comparative politics. It considers the EU as a key reference point in the foreign/security/defence policies of EU member states, as a major centre of gravity in Europe's regional neighbourhood, and as an important global actor. The module also considers the EU's relations with competing actors, particularly the U.S., NATO, Russia and China, as well as its role as a model for other experiments in regional integration.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

### **IR4528 Foreign Policy of Modern China**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2006-07

Description: This module will provide an introduction to the major foreign policy issues and challenges facing the People's Republic of China in the post-cold war world. The primary focus will be on Beijing's evolving opening to the international system since 1949, from Maoist to post-Maoist and post-Dengist global linkages and cooperation. The module will also examine domestic actors in China's foreign policymaking, including the CCP and the People's Liberation Army, and the effects of China's economic development and reforms. Specific regional case studies will be discussed, including changing Sino-American relations and China's relations with the Asia-Pacific region.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%