SUMMER QUARTER 2019 TOPICS COURSES

More details will be posted here as available

The following course numbers—INTS 4706, 4708, 4709, 4710, 4711—refer to special “topics” courses that are new and/or special course offerings. Topics courses may be added to the INTS curriculum at the discretion of the department, in order to accommodate special opportunities (e.g. a temporary visiting faculty member), or to focus on timely developments, debates, or trends in international affairs. Topics courses are generally offered only once. In the event that a topics course is offered more than once, the assigned course number is subject to change in subsequent quarters.

Because topics courses are not a part of our regular curriculum, details such as course title and description are not included in the permanent course catalog. As a supplement, therefore, we hope the course descriptions provided below will be a helpful resource to you as you prepare for registration.

INTS 4706 (CRN 1464)—TOPICS: CULTURE AND IDENTITY IN WORLD POLITICS
Instructors: Arianna Nowakowski

How can a cartoon represent both humor and distain? How can it become a symbol for freedom of speech and a trigger for violence? As recent episodes in Paris, Ukraine, Guinea and the US show, the symbolic importance attached to actions and artifacts vary and trigger very different responses. This course will examine how culture and identity influence the perception of world issues and reactions to them. We will look at the construction of meaning and how this meaning informs priorities and political action. We will also explore power dynamics and political voice.

INTS 4708 (CRN 2071)—TOPICS: RACE MATTERS: A COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF GLOBAL ACCESS AND EQUITY IN HIGHER EDUCATION (Travel course to the Netherlands)
Instructors: Frank Tuitt

This travel course introduces students to international comparative higher education through a historical and global context. It aims to provide students with comparative methods and cross cultural analysis to examine the broader issues of equity and access with a focus on race. Through a thorough examination of Critical Race Theory and Decolonial frameworks we will challenge the western view of education and explore what it means to be global citizens and educators.
FALL INTERTERM 2019 TOPICS COURSES

INTS 4706 (CRN 1005)—TOPICS: THE IMPACT OF RACE, ETHNICITY AND CULTURE ON INTERNATIONAL PEACE/SECURITY
Instructors: Tom Rowe

This course will explore how the perceptions and realities of racial, ethnic and cultural intersectionality have shaped the conceptions, processes and policies involved in international peace and security, both historically and in the contemporary world. The instruction in the course will include attention to both scholarly reflection and policy implications.

The class format will combine the perspectives of scholars and policy professionals by bringing together academic specialists with practitioners who have been involved in day-to-day policy on these matters to serve as instructors. The aim is to enhance our understanding of the importance of race, ethnicity and culture in shaping international affairs, historically and in the contemporary world. All students will receive a half tuition scholarship!

INTS 4708 (CRN 1006)—TOPICS: THE IMPACT OF RACE, ETHNICITY AND CULTURE ON INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN RIGHTS
Instructors: Tom Rowe

This course will explore how the perceptions and realities of racial, ethnic and cultural intersectionality have shaped the conceptions, processes and policies involved in international development and human rights, both historically and in the contemporary world. The instruction in the course will include attention to both scholarly reflection and policy implications.

The class format will combine the perspectives of scholars and policy professionals by bringing together academic specialists with practitioners who have been involved in day-to-day policy on these matters to serve as instructors. The aim is to enhance our understanding of the importance of race, ethnicity and culture in shaping international affairs, historically and in the contemporary world. All students will receive a half tuition scholarship!