WINTER 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 4765): TOPICS: CHILD PROTECTION IN HUMANITARIAN CONTEXT
Instructor: Alexandra Shaphren
TBA

INTS 4708 – (CRN 4824): TOPICS; CITIES, SECURITY, AND HEALTH
Instructor: Sandy Johnson

Urbanization is a hallmark of society in the 21st century, and a central concern for development. As of 2015, more than half of the world’s population live in cities. Rapid urbanization has helped societies realize tremendous promise of human development and created tremendous challenges. It is no wonder that building sustainable cities is one of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It also not surprising that cities are a central focus for more than a dozen of the other SDGs. The reason is simple: cities are a catchment area for multiple and complex interactions. The new urban landscape is one of contrast: between the rich and the poor, the clean and the dirty, the healthy and sick; individuality and collectivism; local interest and global interest.

This course will present a framework to analyze the impact of urbanization on human development and security in a comparative context of major urban centers in the developed and developing world. It will provide a practicum for utilizing cross-disciplinary methods and perspectives to address specific challenges to urban and human development. We will examine urbanization through a framework of human development, environment health and security, and explore how public policy and planning can create short- and long-term impacts on multiple outcomes.

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INTS 4709 – (CRN 3448): TOPICS: U.S. POLICY IN THE MIDDLE EAST SINCE WORLD WAR II
Instructor: Gary Grappo

While America’s involvement in the Middle East dates back to the earliest period after its founding, it has only been in the post-World War II period that the United States has become deeply enmeshed in the region.

Until World War II, American interests were relatively modest, e.g., trade, education, development, etc. With an eye on the future and the threat of a bipolar world divided between American-allied and Soviet–allied camps, the U.S. sought to establish stronger and deeper ties, at first with countries it saw as strategically important, e.g., Saudi Arabia and Iran, but later with countries connected with new interests, e.g., Israel, Egypt, the Gulf States and Iraq.

As a result, since WWII America has seen itself embroiled, both constructively and detrimentally, in most of the region’s most significant events. There has been U.S. involvement in one form or another in nearly all of the region’s many conflicts.

INTS 4710 – (CRN 4787): LATIN AMERICAN SECURITY AND INTERAMERICAN AFFAIRS
Instructor: Marco Cepik

TBA

INTS 4711 (CRN): MAJOR ISSUES IN HUMAN RIGHTS
Instructor: co-taught; Jack Donnelly lead

This course, which is co-taught by ten Korbel faculty members, looks at a wide range of major contemporary issues in human rights. It is intended equally as an introductory course for students in other degrees and an advanced course for Human Rights degree students.

Tentative list of instructors and topics:

- **Jack Donnelly** - The Global Human Rights Regime
- **Tom Farer** - Multiculturalism and Human Rights
- **Micheline Ishay** - Human Rights in the Age of Populism
- **Martin Rhodes** - The Future of the Welfare State: Are There Social Rights and Are They Human Rights?
- **Claude d’Estree** - Modern Slavery
- **Nader Hashemi** - Islam, Human Rights and Muslim Societies: Challenges, Obstacles and Controversies
- **Marie Berry** - Sexual and Reproductive Rights
- **Rebecca Galemba** - Migration and Human Rights
- **Singumbe Muyeba** - Housing and Human Rights: A Comparative Perspective on the United States

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PPOL 4501 – (CRN 2142) GREAT ISSUES FORUM:
Instructor: TBA
Dates/topics finalized by early November

PPOL 4502 – (CRN 2143) GREAT ISSUES FORUM:
Instructor: TBA
Dates/topics finalized by early November