

Course Syllabus

1. **Program of Study** Bachelor of Arts (Social Science)
Faculty/Institute/College Mahidol University International College
2. **Course Code** ICSA 311 **Course Title** International Politics in Southeast Asia
3. **Number of Credits** 4 (**Lecture / Lab**) (4-0)
4. **Prerequisite (s)** none
5. **Type of Course** Social Science elective course
6. **Trimester / Academic Year** Third trimester / Every other academic year
7. **Course Description**
 Southeast Asia in the context of global politics in the period after World War II. The impact of the Cold War and its end. The international relations of Southeast Asian states. ASEAN.
8. **Course Objective (s)**
 To have students gain an understanding of :
 - (i) Factors influencing the foreign policy concerns of states in the Southeast Asian region.
 - (ii) Institutions that have evolved to facilitate state-to-state relations in the region and
 - (iii) The contemporary foreign policy issues and concerns of Southeast Asian states.

9. Course Outline

Week	Topic		Instructor
	Lecture	Hour	
1	Introduction, course overview, regional overview	4	Dr. Copeland
2	Independence struggles in a Cold War context	4	
3	The Indochina Wars	4	
4	The Cambodia Problem	4	
5	The end of the Cold War	4	
6	Review and mid-term examination	4	
7	Development policies and trade relations	4	
8	Bureaucratic capitalism in the age of globalization	4	
9	ASEAN, Japan and China	4	
10	APEC / WTO	4	
11	Summary and review	4	
	Total	44	

10. Teaching Method (s)

Lectures, discussions, student term papers, independent study projects.

11. Teaching Media

Text materials, handouts, and film resources.

12. Measurement and evaluation of student achievement

Comparative assessment of student knowledge of Southeast Asian affairs and skill in analyzing complex international developments such so that educational accomplishment can be appropriately ranked using bell curve pinpointing in conjunction with a traditional alphabetical grading scheme.

13. Course evaluation

Evaluation will be based on two in-class examinations and a 7-page term paper with each component accounting for 30% of the total grade. An additional 10% of the grade will come from student participation in classroom lectures and discussions.

14. Reference (s)

Amitav Acharya, *The Quest for Identity, International Relations of Southeast Asia*, Singapore : National University Press, 2000.

15. Instructor (s)

Dr. Matthew Copeland

16. Course Coordinator

Dr. Matthew Copeland