

Course Syllabus

1. **Program of Study** Bachelor of Arts (Social Science)
Faculty/Institute/College Mahidol University International College
2. **Course Code** ICSO 273 **Course Title** World Politics and World Order
3. **Number of Credits** 4 (**Lecture / Lab**) (4-0)
4. **Prerequisite (s)** None
5. **Type of Course** Major elective of International Studies Concentration
6. **Trimester / Academic Year** TBA

7. **Course Description**

The historical development of a world political society and of the structures of international diplomacy. War and peace making between the Great Powers; The concert of Europe, the League of Nations, the United Nations and the Cold War. International agreements, treaties and organizations. The principles of international law. The contemporary situation.

8. **Course Objective (s)**

- 1) To introduce the historical development towards a peaceful world order.
- 2) To demonstrate the state of the world today
- 3) To assess the success and failures of international organizations.

9. **Course Outline**

Week	Topic		Instructor
	Lecture	Hour	
1	Introduction : The history development of international organizations	4	TBA
2	Diplomacy then and now	4	
3	Early attempts : The Concert of Europe and League of Nations	4	
4	The Historical Context : The Uniqueness of Post-Colonial States	4	
5	Political Culture and Socialization	4	
6	The United Nations and the Cold War	4	
7	The post Cold War World and the UN today	4	
8	Political Participation, Elite Recruitment, and Elections; Interests and Parties	4	
9	The Unfinished Agenda : Ongoing Issues in the Comparative Politics of Developing and Industrializing Countries	4	
10	Problems of International Law	4	
11	The Future; World order or destruction	4	
	Total	44	

10. Teaching Method (s)

Lecture and discussion.

11. Teaching Media

Texts, transparencies, videos.

12. Measurement and evaluation of student achievement

The standard scale of 90 - 100 = A, 85 - 89 = B+, 80 - 84 = B, etc. 60 is required to pass.

13. Course evaluation

Grading will be based on two in-class exams (45% each) and contribution to discussion 10%.

14. Reference (s)

- 1) Almond, Gabriel A., and G. Bingham Powell, Jr., eds. 1996. *Comparative Politics Today : A World View*, 6th ed. New York : HarperCollins College Publishers.
- 2) Griffiths, Robert., ed. 1997. *Annual Editions : Developing World 1997/98*. 7th ed. Guilford, CT : Dushkin Publishing Group/Brown & Benchmark Publishers.

15. Instructor (s)

TBA

16. Course Coordinator

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