

CPO 4930 Comparative International Politics: Politics of International Justice
University of South Florida **8-16 March 2013 in the Netherlands**

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I. Introduction. This course will address how the international community has responded to the desire for an international justice system by creating international laws and conventions, various international courts, and several international organizations. It will consider how political influences have affected the international community's ability to deliver justice.

II. Grades will be calculated upon a point system.

A. Measurements and Points		
Measurement	Possible Points	Comments
PowerPoint	10	Up to 10 points for PowerPoint research project
Journal entries	Up to 50 points	Up to 10 points for each of 5 journal entries checked.
Attendance at pre-trip meetings	15	3 points each for attendance during January and February's five scheduled meetings.
Attendance at post-trip meeting	5	5 points for attending post-trip meeting
Attendance and class participation	20	Up to 20 points for attendance at scheduled events in the Netherlands and class participation
Total possible points	100	

B. Grades.

<u>Points</u>	<u>Grade</u>
90-100	A
80-90	B
70-80	C
60-70	D
59 or below	F

III. PowerPoint Research Project. At the first class meeting, you will be assigned a research topic. At an assigned class meeting, you will present to the class a 5-minute PowerPoint summary of the assigned topic and discuss how it relates to international justice. See the schedule below.

Class Schedule - January 26 to February 23

Saturday, January 26 - Meet and Greet! Room assignments and research assignments determined today. An overview of the various international organizations dedicated to justice, located in the Hague, will be presented today. We will watch the film, "A Call for Justice." Print out questions from Blackboard related to this film to be answered in class.

Saturday, February 2 - Lecture on cases which have come before the International Court of Justice. See Blackboard for summaries. We will watch the film, "Do Scars Ever Fade?" Print out questions from Blackboard related to this film to be answered in class. The first of the power point or research papers will be presented today.

Saturday, February 9 - Lecture on International Criminal Court - Power point and research paper presentations. We will watch "Uganda's Silent War." Print out questions from Blackboard related to this film to be answered in class. Power point or research paper presentations.

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Saturday, February 16 - Lecture on Europol and the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. Power point or research paper presentations.

Saturday, February 23 - Lecture on The Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons. Visit from the Study Abroad office representatives and the provider for this trip, CIS. Power point or research paper presentations.

IV. Journal Guidelines

Answer these questions and turn in journals on the scheduled dates.

a. **On 10 March**, based on what you learned in the Netherlands, answer the question: In the aftermath of the Second World War, why did the international community decide that for some issues, individual countries' justice systems could not render a just solution and that an international justice system was required?

b. **On 11 March**, based on what you learned in the Netherlands, answer these questions: What were your impressions of the Hague? Why are so many international justice entities based at The Hague?

c. **On 12 March**, based on what you learned in the Netherlands, identify one new thing you learned about each of these entities: International Court of Justice, the World Court, and the Permanent Court of Arbitration.

d. **On 13 March**, based on what you learned in the Netherlands, identify one new thing you learned about each of these entities: the International Criminal Court and the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

e. **On 14 March**, based on what you learned in the Netherlands, answer the questions: What will facilitate the expansion of the international justice system to include the expansion of international justice to include sustainable development and the protection of the environment? What will hinder the expansion of the international justice system to include the expansion of international justice to include sustainable development and the protection of the environment?

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Date	Topic	Comment
Saturday, 9 March	Lectures on Dutch culture before the Second World War and on how Nazi atrocities shaped the post-Second World War sense of international justice. 2 lecture hours plus 2 contact hours	Morning: Arrive in Amsterdam and transfer to accommodations. Lecture on Dutch culture before the Second World War and walking tour of Amsterdam. Afternoon: Lecture on how Nazi atrocities shaped the post-Second World War sense of international justice. Visit to the Anne Frank Museum and the Jewish Museum. Evening: Welcome reception and orientation.
Sunday, 10 March	Lectures on an overview of international law and enforcement mechanisms after the Second World War, the significance of The Hague in the international justice construct, and how these were reflected in art and the formation of international justice organizations. 2 lecture hours, plus 2 contact hours	Morning: Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to the hotel in the Hague. Lecture on the overview of international law and enforcement mechanisms after the Second World War. Walking tour of the Hague. Afternoon: Significance of The Hague in the international justice and how this has been reflected in art and the formation of internal organizations. Visit to the Hague Historical Museum and the Mauritshuis Museum. Evening free <u>after</u> journals turned into instructors.
Monday, 11 March	Lectures on the International Court of Justice, the World Court, and the Permanent Court of Arbitration.	Morning: Breakfast at the hotel. Lectures on the International Court of Justice, the World Court, and the Permanent Court of Arbitration. Guided tour of the Peace Palace and exploration of the Peace Palace Library.

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	2 lecture hours, plus 2 contact hours.	Afternoon: Lectures on the International Court of Justice, the World Court, and the Permanent Court of Arbitration continued. Tour of the International Court of Justice, the World Court, or the Permanent Court of Arbitration. Evening free <u>after</u> journals turned into instructors.
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Tuesday, 12 March	Lectures on the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, the International Criminal Court, and the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. 2 lecture hours, plus 2 contact hours.	Morning: Breakfast at the hotel. Lectures on the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, the International Criminal Court and the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. Afternoon: Lecture on and visit to the International Criminal Court and the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia Evening free <u>after</u> journals turned into instructors.
Wednesday, 13 March	Lectures on Interpol, Europol, and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons 2 lecture hours plus 2 contact hours	Morning: Breakfast at the hotel. Lecture on Interpol. Visit and lecture on Europol at Europol Headquarters. Afternoon: Visit and lecture on the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons at the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons Headquarters. Evening: Transfer to the hotel in Amsterdam. Evening free <u>after</u> journals turned into

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Date	Topic	Comment
Thursday, 14 March	Lectures on European cultural support for the expansion of international justice to include sustainable development and the protection of the environment 2 lecture hours plus 2 contact hours	Morning: Breakfast at the hotel. Morning and Afternoon with a break for lunch. Lecture on the overview of international law Lectures on European cultural support for the expansion of international justice to include sustainable development and the protection of the environment. Visit to the European Cultural Foundation, the National Committee for International Cooperation and Sustainable Development, Green Peace or Strawberry Earth in Amsterdam. Evening free <u>after</u> journals turned into instructors.
Friday, 15 March	2 lecture hours, plus 2 contact hours.	Morning: Breakfast at the hotel. Visit Bloemenmarkt (Flower Markey) and the Albert Cuyp Market in Amsterdam. Afternoon: Free Evening: Farewell dinner.
Saturday, 16 March		Depart Amsterdam and arrive in Tampa
To Be Announced	In the USF Library 2 contact hours	Do course evaluation. Return of Journals. Visit from Education Abroad representative.