

**International Studies
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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	15	Up to 3 points for each of 5 journal entries checked
Attendance at pre-trip meetings	50	10 Points for each attendance of the pre-program meetings for a total of 50 points
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>
-100	A
-90	B
-80	C
-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 - February 1 to March 1

Saturday, February 1 - 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, "I Came to Testify." There will also be short films on Amsterdam and The Hague.

Saturday, February 8 - Lecture on cases which have come before the International Court of Justice and the Permanent Court of Arbitration. The first of the power point or research papers will be presented today.

Saturday, February 15 - Lecture on International Criminal Court - Power point and research paper presentations. We will watch "Uganda's Silent War" and "ICC: In Search of International Justice" KZ6250.I5 Print out questions from Blackboard relate to these films to be answered in class.

Saturday, February 22 - Lecture on the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. Film: "Srebrenica: A Cry From the Grave." (1:45) Power point and research paper presentations.

Saturday, March 1 - Lecture on Europol and The Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons. Power point and research paper presentations. Film: "Genocide: Worse Than War." <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w7cZuhqSzzc>

IV. Journal Guidelines

Please include in your journal, any observations you make daily while on the program. In addition, please answer the questions listed below. We will review your journals each morning before we depart for our visits in Amsterdam and the Hague. Your journals are to be submitted for grading at the end of the program.

- a. **On March 8**, 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 March 9**, 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 March 10**, 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 March 11**, 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 March 12**, 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?

Date	Topic	Comment
Saturday, March 8	Lectures on Dutch culture before the Second World War and on how Nazi atrocities shaped the post-Second World War sense of international justice.	Morning: Arrive in Amsterdam and transfer to The Hague. Walking Tour of the Hague Visit the Hague Historical Museum 8:00 pm: Welcome dinner and CIS Orientation
Sunday, March 9	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.	Morning: Breakfast at the hotel Afternoon: Visit the Prison Gate Museum: The Hague is referred to as the center of humanism and human rights defense. The Prison Gate Museum exhibits all too well how "peace" and "justice" have evolved over the ages. Afternoon: Visit to Humanity House. At the Humanity House students actively experience and discover what humanitarian aid and humanitarian law really mean. This new knowledge helps them to gain a better understanding of relief work, and might inspire them to take action themselves.
Monday, March 10	Lectures on the International Court of Justice, the World Court, and the Permanent Court of Arbitration.	Morning: Breakfast at the hotel Guided tour of the Peace Palace and explore the Library Afternoon: Tour of the International Court of Justice, World Court or the Permanent Court of Arbitration (To be confirmed)
Date	Topic	Comment
Tuesday, March 11	Lectures on the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda,	Morning: Breakfast at the hotel Visit the International Criminal Tribunal for

	the International Criminal Court, and the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia.	the former Yugoslavia - Attend a hearing and enjoy a presentation by an ICTY representative
Wednesday, March 12	Lectures on Interpol, Europol, and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons	<p>Morning: Breakfast at the hotel 9:00 am: Visit and lecture at the headquarters of Europol (possibly the International Criminal Court) (To be confirmed) Afternoon: Visit and Lecture at the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (To be confirmed)</p> <p>Evening: Transfer to Hotel in Amsterdam</p>
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Thursday, March 13	Lectures on European cultural support for the expansion of international justice to include sustainable development and the protection of the environment	<p>Morning: Breakfast at the hotel City Walking Tour</p> <p>Visit the Jewish Museum Visit the Anne Frank Museum Visit the European Cultural Foundation (To be confirmed)</p> <p>Afternoon: Visit Amsterdam's Markets - Bloemenmarkt (Flower Market) and Albert Cuyp Market</p>
Friday, March 14		<p>Morning: Breakfast at the hotel Afternoon: Free time to explore Amsterdam</p> <p>Evening: Farewell Dinner</p>
		<p>Morning: Breakfast at the hotel</p>

Saturday, March 15		Depart Amsterdam
Saturday, March 22	In the USF Library 1contact hour	Do course evaluation. Return of Journals. Visit from Education Abroad representative.