

**GLOBALIZATION, PEACE AND CONFLICT**  
**CONF 336 001**  
**Spring 2005**  
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Welcome to the course. This course will examine the many meanings of globalization: economic, political, social, and cultural and explore how these global transformations are altering dynamics of contention at both the international and domestic levels. Among other topics, the course will examine the relationship between economic integration and war and civil war; economic integration and political conflict; cultural conflict; ethnic conflict; conflict and gender; and new technologies and conflict. In particular, the course will explore when and under what conditions globalization processes may promote peace and under what circumstances they may aggravate old conflicts and lead to the emergence of new ones.

### **Requirements**

*Short Papers:* You will write three 5-page papers, each worth 20% of your final grade. The papers will be a response to a question that I will hand out in class. You will have a week to write the paper. The questions will be directly related to the issues discussed in class and in the assigned readings and will require no additional research. You will be asked to evaluate particular theories that seek to explain globalization processes relationship to conflict. You will explain what the various theories state and then explain which ones you find more compelling and why. In other words, these papers are more than summaries of the articles you have read. Rather, they are critical assessments of the readings.

*Film Reviews:* In addition, you will write three 2-page reviews of films we will watch in class. Each film review will be worth 10% of your final grade. The reviews will be due a week after the film will be shown in class. We will see more than three films during the semester. Which films you will review is up to you. Each review should explain the subject of the film, note the evidence presented and your assessment of the film. Most important, you should make clear whether you found the evidence presented in the film convincing, why you found it convincing or why not.

*Quiz:* There will be an in-class quiz. It will be worth 10% of your final grade.

## **Readings**

All other readings can be accessed through GMU library's databases, the websites indicated on the syllabus or GMU library's e-reserves (password is "coffee"). You are expected to come to class having done the assigned readings.

### **January 26 – Introduction**

Organization of the course.

Film: Globalization: Winners and Losers

### **February 2 – Globalization and Conflict: Major Themes**

Charles O. Lerche III, "The Conflicts of Globalization," *The International Journal of Peace Studies*, vol. 3, no. 1, January 1998 (<http://www.gmu.edu/academic/ijps/>)

Stephen D. Krasner, "Sovereignty," *Foreign Policy*, January 2001 (e-journals)

Jeffrey Sachs, "Interlocking Economics: Unlocking the Mysteries of Globalization," *Foreign Policy*, Spring 1998 (e-journals)

### **February 9 - Globalization and Cultural Conflict**

Samuel Huntington, "Clash of Civilizations?" *Foreign Affairs*, Summer 1993 (e-journals)

Benjamin Barber, "Jihad Vs McWorld," *Atlantic Monthly*, March 1992 (e-journals)

Ronald Inglehart and Pippa Norris, "The True Clash of Civilizations," *Foreign Policy*, March/April 2003 (e-journals)

Bruce M. Russett, John R. Oneal and Michaelene Cox, "Clash of Civilizations, or Realism and Liberalism Déjà vu? Some Evidence," *Journal of Peace Research*, vol. 37, no. 5, September 2000 (e-journals)

### **February 16 – Globalization and Ethnic Conflict**

#### **First Paper Handed Out – Due February 23**

Robert Kaplan, "Where Europe Vanishes," *Atlantic Monthly*, November 2000 (e-journals)

Amy Chua, "A World On the Edge (Two Faces of Globalization)," *The Wilson Quarterly*, vol. 26, no. 4, Autumn 2002 (e-journals)

John R. Bowen, "The Myth of Global Ethnic Conflict," *Journal of Democracy*, October 1996 (e-journals)

Yahya Sadowski, "Ethnic Conflict," *Foreign Policy*, Summer 1998 (e-journals)

### **February 23 - Economic Changes and Social Conflict**

Branko Milanovic, "The Two Faces of Globalization: Against Globalization as We Know It," *World Development*, vol. 31, issue 4, 2003 (e-journals)

Nancy Birdsall, Carol Graham and Stefano Pettinato, "Stuck in the Tunnel: Is Globalization Muddling the Middle Class?" Center for Social and Economic Dynamics, Working Paper no. 14, August 2000  
(<http://www.brook.edu/es/dynamics/papers/middleclass/default.htm>)

John Walton and Charles Ragin, "Global and National Sources of Political Protest: Third World Responses to the Debt Crisis," *American Sociological Review*, vol. 55, no. 6, December 1990 (e-journals)

Film: Life and Debt

### **March 2 – Economic Changes and Social Conflict**

Mahmood Monshipouri, Claude Emerson Welch, and Evan T. Kennedy, "Multinational Corporations and the Ethics of Global Responsibility: Problems and Possibilities," *Human Rights Quarterly*, vol. 25, no. 4, November 2003 (e-journals)

Ralph Armbruster-Sandoval, "Globalization and Cross-border Labor Organizing: The Guatemalan Maquiladora Industry and the Phillips Van Heusen Workers' Movement," *Latin American Perspectives*, Vol. 26, No. 2, March 1999 (e-journals)

Dina Francesca Haynes, "Used, Abused and Deported: Extending Immigration Benefits to Protect the Victims of Trafficking and to Secure the Prosecution of Traffickers," *Human Rights Quarterly*, vol. 26, no. 2, May 2004 (e-journals)

Film: Free Trade Slaves

### **March 9 - Gender and Conflict**

Kamran Asdar Ali, "Conflict and Cooperation: Changing Gender Roles in Rural Egyptian Households," in Nicholas Hopkins and Kirsten Westergaard, editors. *Directions of Change in Rural Egypt*, chp. 8 (166-183) (e-reserves)

Kurt Alan Ver Beek, "Maquiladoras: Exploitation or Emancipation? An Overview of the Situation of Maquiladora Workers in Honduras," *World Development*, vol. 29, no. 9, September 2001 (e-journals)

Pierella Paci. *Gender in Transition: Europe and Central Asia*. Washington, DC: The World Bank, 2002

([http://inweb18.worldbank.org/eca/eca.nsf/Attachments/Gender+in+Transition/\\$File/GenderDraftPaper052802cFINAL.pdf](http://inweb18.worldbank.org/eca/eca.nsf/Attachments/Gender+in+Transition/$File/GenderDraftPaper052802cFINAL.pdf))

Film: Rich World, Poor Women

### **March 16: No Class. Have a Great Spring Break**

### **March 23 - Economic Integration and Interstate Conflict**

Dale Copeland, "Economic Interdependence and War: A Theory of Trade Expectations," *International Security*, vol. 20, no. 4, 1996 (e-journals)

Stephen G. Brooks, "The Globalization of Production and the Changing Benefits of Conquest," *The Journal of Conflict Resolution*, vol. 43, issue 5, October 1999 (e-journals)

John R. Oneal and Bruce M. Russett, "The Kantian Peace: The Pacific Benefits of Democracy, Interdependence, and International Organizations, 1885-1992" *World Politics*, vol. 52, no. 1, October 1999 (e-journals)

### **March 30: Changing Nature of Conflict – Zones of War and Zones of Peace**

### **Second Paper Question Handed Out – Due April 6**

Richard Rosencrance, "The Rise of the Virtual State," *Foreign Affairs*, July-August 1996 (e-journals)

Kenichi Ohmae, "The Rise of the Region-State," *Foreign Affairs*, Spring 1996 (e-journals)

Mohammed Ayoob, "State Making, State Breaking, and State Failure," in Chester A. Crocker, Fen Osler Hampson, and Pamela Aall, editors. *Turbulent Peace: the Challenges of Managing International Conflict*. Washington, DC: USIP, 2001. (e-reserves)

James M. Goldgeier and Michael McFaul, "A Tale of Two Worlds: Core and Periphery in the Post-Cold War Era," *International Organization*, Spring 1992 (e-journals)

## **April 6 - Economic Changes and Civil Wars I**

Ranveign Gissing and Nils Petter Gleditsch, "Globalization and Conflict: Welfare, Distribution and Political Unrest," *Journal of World-Systems Research*, vol. 2, 1999 (<http://csf.colorado.edu/jwsr>)

Havard Hegre, "Some Social Requisites of a Democratic Civil Peace: Democracy, Development and Armed Conflict," (<http://www.cidcm.umd.edu/dcawcp/dcwcp1.pdf>)

Mark Duffield, "Globalization, Transborder Trade, and War Economies," in Mats Berdal and David Malone, editors. *Greed and Grievance: Economic Agenda's in Civil Wars*. Lynne Rienner, 2000 (e-reserves)

## **April 13 - Economic Changes and Civil Wars II**

Philippe Le Billon, "The political Ecology of War: Natural Resources and Armed Conflict," *Political Geography*, vol. 20, no. 5, June 2001 (e-journals)

Dena Montague, "Stolen Goods: Coltan and Conflict in the Democratic Republic of Congo," *SAIS Review*, vol. 22, no. 1, 2002 (e-journals)

"Central Asia: Water and Conflict," International Crisis Group, Asia Report no. 34, May 30, 2002 ([http://www.icg.org/library/documents/report\\_archive/A400668\\_30052002.pdf](http://www.icg.org/library/documents/report_archive/A400668_30052002.pdf))

## **April 20 - New International Actors in International Conflict**

### **In-Class Quiz**

Mary Anderson, "Humanitarian NGOs in Conflict Intervention," in Chester A. Crocker, Fen Osler Hampson, and Pamela Aall, editors. *Turbulent Peace: the Challenges of Managing International Conflict*. Washington, DC: USIP, 2001. (e-reserves)

Mary Kaldor. *New and Old Wars: Organized Violence in a Global Era*. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1999, Chapter 5, "The Globalized War Economy." (e-reserves)

"Central Asia: Drugs and Conflict," International Crisis Group, Asia Report no. 25, November 26, 2001 ([http://www.icg.org/library/documents/report\\_archive/A400495\\_26112001-2.pdf](http://www.icg.org/library/documents/report_archive/A400495_26112001-2.pdf))

Film: Bitter Harvest

### **April 27 - Globalization: Tensions between the North and the South**

Thomas L. Friedman. *The Lexus and the Olive Tree: Understanding Globalization*. New York: Anchor Books, 1999, 101-144. (e-reserves)

World Commission on the Social Dimensions of Globalization. *A Fair Globalization: Creating Opportunities for All*. Geneva: International Labor Organization, 2004, pp 3-51.

(<http://www.ilo.org/public/english/wcsdg/>)

Joseph Stiglitz, "What I learned at the World Economic Crisis," *New Republic*, April 17, 2000 (<http://www.globalpolicy.org/socecon/bwi-wto/wbank/whatilearned.htm>)

Jagdish Bhagwati, "Coping with anti-Globalization," *Foreign Affairs*, January/February 2002 (e-journals)

Film: The Global Trade Debate

### **May 4 – Globalization: Tensions between the North and the South**

**Final paper question handed out – Due on Exam Date**

Oxfam, "Running into the Sand: Why Failure at the Cancun Trade Talks Threatens the World's Poorest People,"

([http://www.oxfam.org.uk/what\\_we\\_do/issues/trade/bp53\\_cancun.htm](http://www.oxfam.org.uk/what_we_do/issues/trade/bp53_cancun.htm))

World Bank. *Global Economic Prospects 2004 – Realizing the Development Promise of the Doha Agenda*, chapters 2 and 6.

(<http://www.worldbank.org/prospects/gep2004/toc.htm>)