

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information					
Module Title	International Relations				
Module Code	UBGMR5-30-3	Level	Level 6		
For implementation from	2018-19	2018-19			
UWE Credit Rating	30	ECTS Credit Rating	15		
Faculty	Faculty of Environment & Technology	Field	Geography and Environmental Management		
Department	FET Dept of Geography & Envrnmental Mgmt				
Contributes towards	Uniformed and Public Services {Top-Up} [Sep][PT][UCW][2yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19 Uniformed and Public Services {Top-Up} [Sep][FT][UCW][1yr] BA (Hons) 2018-19				
Module type:	Standard				
Pre-requisites	None	None			
Excluded Combinations	None	None			
Co- requisites	None	None			
Module Entry requireme	nts None	None			

Part 2: Description

Educational Aims: See Learning Outcomes.

Outline Syllabus: The syllabus includes:

An overview of the main theories of International Relations: Realism, Liberalism, Social Constructivism, English School, Marxism, Feminism and Postmodernism.

Perspectives on the Global Political Economy: Debates and Trends.

The EU as an Agent in the GPE; The Single Market, Globalisation and NeoLiberalism; The

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political Economy of EU Enlargement 1993-2007; The Political Economy of EU Economic Relations with Developing Countries; The EU and Emerging Economies: the BRICS, East Asia-Pacific and Latin America; The EU and the Governance of the Global Political Economy.

An overview of the concept of security; explore the nature of security, who is secured and how; examine the major theoretical positions of global security from the realist orthodoxy through to feminist critiques and the other major schools of thought at the forefront of the 'critical turn' (Copenhagen, Welsh, Paris).

Issues of security and insecurity such as homeland security, environmental security, development, migration, health and terrorism.

The roles and responsibilities of the British public and uniformed services; crossover; voluntary or third sector; the impact of the global economic crisis 2008- present and the crisis of governance with a view to the impact of crime and terrorism on the ability of these services to respond.

Teaching and Learning Methods: 300 hours study time of which 100 hours will represent scheduled learning.

Scheduled learning will comprise lectures, seminars, demonstrations, tutorial and interactive learning.

Scheduled learning may also take a synchronous virtual form rather than face-to-face, through the use of email discussion groups, virtual learning environments (VLEs) and other technology-aided means.

Independent learning includes hours engaged with essential reading, assignment preparation and completion etc. Student study time will be organised each week with a series of both essential and further readings and preparation for the critical review.

Contact Hours: 100 hours scheduled learning This module will be taught across both semesters on one day per week.

Part 3: Assessment

A range of assessment techniques will be employed to ensure that learners can meet the breadth of learning outcomes presented in this module alongside the ability to demonstrate transferable skills e.g. communication skills.

Component A - Critical Presentation:

Students will be expected to present to their peers an investigative review on the ways in which the European Union shapes its economic policies with regards to International theorists. This is an opportunity for students to demonstrate engagement with current research in the field. The students findings should be critically analysed for their effectiveness and the geopolitical landscape within which the public service sits considered.

Component B - Critical Essay:

An extended piece of writing encouraging students to engage with both the essential and the further reading to discuss the role of the UK Uniformed and Public Services in addressing global and National organised crime. This will test the ability to evaluate, analyse, summarise and criticise.

Opportunities for formative assessment exist for each of the assessment strategies used. Verbal feedback is given and all students will engage with personalised tutorials setting SMART targets as part of the programme design.

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First Sit Components	Final Assessment	Element weighting	Description
Written Assignment - Component B	~	50 %	Essay (2000 words)
Presentation - Component A		50 %	In-class presentation
Resit Components	Final Assessment	Element weighting	Description
Written Assignment -	~	50 %	Essay (2000 words)
Component B			

	Part 4: T	eaching and Learning Methods			
Learning Outcomes	On successful completion of this module students will be able to:				
		Module Learning Outcomes			
	MO1	Identify the central tenets of a number of International Relations theories and critically debate the application of these theories.			
	MO2	Investigate the ways in which the European Union shapes its economic policies, explore some of the major relationships within which those policies are pursued, and evaluate the contribution of the EU to the world political economy			
	MO3	Appraise the role of the British Public and Uniformed Services within the global community			
	MO4	Understand and interpret how terrorism, war and human rights impact on the UK Public and Uniformed Services			
	MO5	Critically evaluate how the UK Public combat serious organised crime and the United Kingdom			
Contact Hours	Contact Hours				
	Independent Study Hours:				
	Independent study/s	elf-guided study	200		
		Total Independent Study Hours:	200		
	Scheduled Learning and Teaching Hours:				
	Face-to-face learning		100		

	Total Scheduled Learning and Teaching Hours:	100	
	Hours to be allocated	300	
	Allocated Hours	300	
Reading List	The reading list for this module can be accessed via the following link: https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/ubgmr5-30-3.html		