Study programme(s): Regional Master Program in Peace Studies

Study level: Graduate

Course title: Regional Perspective on Peace and Conflicts

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Compulsory/Elective: Elective

Number of ECTS: 6

Aim of the course

The course will focus on discussion on the characteristics of regional conflicts and its consequences. It will also address implications of regional conflicts for the international security and conditions necessary for reaching regional peace. During the course students will analyze reasons for great-power and international organizations regional involvement and its effects on regional security. They will also apply theories of regional wars and peace on the case study (Balkan). Finally, the aim of the course it to detect which policies are essential for achieving peace in the different regions and what is the likelihood of promoting this kind of policies in SEE.

Outcome of the course

- To create an environment of study, critical research and of academic excellence;
- To develop individual and professional skills to make peace (peaces) and to transform conflicts by peaceful means;
- To build capacity for the analysis of main measuring instruments for the regional situation, with special emphasis on SEE;
- To train student for critical analysis of texts relating to peace, conflicts and development cooperation, and for relating these texts to the human rights proposals and UN resolutions.

Content of the course

Theoretical teaching

1. Globalization, Regional Systems and Regional Conflicts; 2. Regional Security Regimes; 3. The Great Powers and Regional Conflicts; 4. Patterns of Conflict Management and Types of Regional War and Peace Outcomes; 5. Regional Wars, Conflicts and Peace in SEE; 6. International Organizations and Conflicts Resolution in SEE; 7. UN Peacekeeping efforts in SEE; 8. Ethnic Conflicts and Building Stability and Peace; 9. Regional Actors, Development of Peace and Security; 10. Internal Conflicts, Secession, and International Norms; 11. Security Co-operation and Regional Security; 12. Regional Peace and Security Ownership.

Literature

a) compulsory

Buzan, B. and Waever, O. (2003). Regions and Powers: The Structure of International Security. Cambridge: Cambridge Univ. Press, pp. 6-14, 27-40; Byman, D. and Pollack, K. (2007). Things fall Apart. Washington DC: Brookings, pp. 17-59; Galtung, J. (2004). Transcend and Transform; An Introduction to Conflict Work. London: Pluto Press; Hampson, F. and Malone, D. (2002). From Reaction to Conflict Prevention: Opportunities for the UN System. Boulder: Lynne Reiner; Held, D. (1995). Democracy and the Global Order: From the Modern State to Cosmopolitan Governance. Cambridge: Polity Press; Klein J. P., Goerty G., and Diehl, P. F. (2008). "The Peace Scale: Conceptualizing and Operationalizing Non-Rivalry and Peace," Conflict Management and Peace Science, no. 25, pp.67-80; Krauthammer, C. (1990/91). "The unipolar moment." Foreign Affairs: America and the World, vol. 70, pp. 23-33; Lake, D. A. (1997). "Regional security complexes: a systems approach." In D. Lake and P. Morgan (eds). Regional Orders: Building Security in a New World. University Park, Pennsylvania: The Pennsylvania State University Press, pp.45-68. In the same edited volume: Lake, David and Morgan, Patrick M, "The New Regionalism in Security Affairs;" pp. 3-19, 101-124 and Stein A. and Lobell S, "Geostructuralism and International Politics: The end of the Cold War and the Regionalization of International Security." pp. 3-19, 101-124; Lederach, J. P. (1997), Building Peace: Sustainable Reconciliation in Divided Societies. Washington: USIP.; Lederach, J. P. (2005), The Moral Imagination: The Art and Soul of Building Peace, Oxford: OUP; Mearsheimer, J. (1995) "Back to the future: instability in Europe after the Cold War" International Security, vol. 15, no. 1, pp. 5-56; Miller, Benjamin (1992). "Explaining Great Power Cooperation in Conflict Management," World Politics, vol. 45, no. 1, pp. 1-46; Miller, B. (2007) States, Nations and Great Powers: The Sources of Regional War and Peace. Cambridge: CUP. Ch. 1, pp. 1-40.; Ch. 2, pp. 41-42, 48-53; Ramsbotham O., Woodhouse T. and Miall H. (2008) Contemporary Conflict Resolution.2nd Edition, Cambridge: Polity Press: Ripsman, N. M. and T.V. Paul (2010) Globalization and the National Security State. Oxford: OUP,

chs. I and 6; Wallensteen	1, P. (2007), t	Inderstanding Conflict Res	solution. Sage: London.	
Number of classes of active teaching:				Other
Lectures:	Tutorials:	Other modes of teaching	Research work:	
2	1		1	
Teaching methods				
Individual and group pre	sentations of	group conflicts in the region	on, essays and class participation	
	Asse	ssment of knowledge (ma	ximum no. of points 100)	
Pre-examination commitments		points	Final examination	points
activity		20	written test	50
practical teaching		15	oral examination	
colloquium(a)				
seminar(s)		15		