Executive Master In International Relations and Diplomacy (EMIR)

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General Assignment for all Sessions

Presentation on class topic:

Every student will need to prepare a presentation on one of the topics of the sessions underlined below on the relevant dates:

Presentation Description:

Each student should prepare a PowerPoint presentation of 15 minutes at the beginning of every class to include:

- An outline.
- An introduction.
- Definitions of concepts used/presented
- General analysis of the topic
- You can kindly add interactive videos or pictures (optional)
- Conclusion as well as references/footnotes

Session 1 (March 15th 17:00 – 19:00)

Topic: Role of Diplomacy in Modern Challenges

Diplomacy, Foresight Planning, and Strategy in Foreign Policy

Emerging Regional Challenges:

- Cyber Security
  - Forms of cyber warfare
  - Regional and international security arrangements
  - Regional and cross-national terrorism
- Terrorism
  - Efforts combating terrorism
  - Forms of terrorism
- Proliferation of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW)
  - Effect on stability and security
  - Effects on social, societal and economic development
  - Measures to seek effective solutions
- Nuclear non-proliferation in the Middle East
  - Dismantling remaining nuclear weapons capabilities.
  - Using nuclear facilities for peaceful purposes only.
  - Identifying the role of the IAEA.
Readings:


• Available at: http://www.jstor.org/stable/20753457?seq=1#page_scan_tab_contents


• Available at: http://www.jstor.org/stable/20447142


• Available at: http://muse.jhu.edu/books/9781589019195/


• Available at: GSD Website (Check Online Course)

Readings Presentation:

• Students will be asked to present briefly the mandatory readings for every session during the class
• Explain briefly main points of the articles
• Show understanding of general concept of the readings

Session 2 (March 18th 14:00 – 15:30 / 15:45 – 17:15)

Topics: Negotiations in Disarmament Techniques

• Negotiation Skills
• Decision-making tools: (Persuasion / Giving in / Coercion / Problem solving)
• Negotiating Behavior
• Four Phases of Negotiation: (Plan / Debate / Propose / Bargaining)
• Closing the Negotiations
• Dealing with Difficult Negotiators

Readings:


Mark Knight, Guns, Camps and Cash: Disarmament, Demobilization and Reinsertion of Former Combatants in Transitions from War to Peace. University of York


Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, Armaments, Disarmament, and International Security. SIPRI Yearbook


- Available at: https://www.armscontrol.org/act/2008_10/Hafemeister


- Available at: http://digitalcommons.du.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1252&context=etd


- Available at: http://www.wsj.com/articles/SB116787515251566636

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Session 3 (April 22nd 14:00 – 15:30 / 15:45 – 17:15)

Topic: Negotiations in Disarmament Techniques

- Negotiating Process: (Style / Outcome / Principals)
- Motivated Negotiators
- Negotiation Model: (Investigate / Presentation / Bargaining / Agreement)
- How to be a Good Negotiator
Readings:


- Available at: **GSD Website (Check Online Course)**

Dean G. Pruitt, Negotiation Behavior. State University of New York at Buffalo.

- Available at: [https://books.google.ch/books?hl=en&lr=&id=WvFFBQAAQBAJ&oi=fnd&pg=PP1&dq=negotiation&ots=Ep74bZiHQH&sig=QEilkC_WY2qWb9jFjN6PaoTD-PE#v=onepage&q=negotiation&f=false](https://books.google.ch/books?hl=en&lr=&id=WvFFBQAAQBAJ&oi=fnd&pg=PP1&dq=negotiation&ots=Ep74bZiHQH&sig=QEilkC_WY2qWb9jFjN6PaoTD-PE#v=onepage&q=negotiation&f=false)


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**For access to articles available on JSTOR, consult the University website to create an account.**

**Session 4 (May 20th 14:00 – 15:30 / 15:45 – 17:15)**

**Topic: Policy Scenarios**

**Simulation Model: UN General Assembly Special Session on Nuclear Disarmament & a ME nuclear free zone.**

**Simulation Exercise Preparation:**

- Students will be assigned roles for the session
- Students are to research reading for their roles
Students are to read into their roles and be prepared to speak on their country’s / organization’s position.
• It is important that strict adherence is kept to time available.
• Take into consideration the UN Dress-Code: Formal suit/dress

Simulation Setting
• This will be in the form of a conference called by the UN Secretary General.
• The aim is to prepare the ground for the formal talks planned on elimination of nuclear weapons in the Middle East.

The decision to hold this meeting has been prompted by the current unrest in the region. The situation in the Middle East generally is in turmoil in many countries. In addition, the Israel/Palestine question seems no nearer to a two-state solution despite intense efforts at mediation by all involved.

Conference
Stage 1:
• In this formal session, each student representing a country from the area is to be prepared to present his/her country’s position on the setting up of a Middle East nuclear-free zone.
• Other countries with interests in the area may wish to intervene in the discussions and students representing them should be prepared to do so.
• Iran, Israel, Pakistan, Egypt and the USA in particular are to be critical in their interventions and students should role-play accordingly.
• The media representatives and the NGOs should play a similar role.

Stage 2:
• Interactive session during which Country / Organization representatives engage in cross exchanges on the topic in an informal session.

Stage 3:
The Conference President and the UN Secretary General’s representative are to prepare two or three paragraphs on a Middle East resolution arising from the discussion. An attempt to achieve consensus through a drafting process will be exercised. Otherwise, there will be a call for a vote.

LEARNING OUTCOMES OF THE SIMULATION
• Practice in speaking in public
• Practice in the use of diplomatic language and the required protocol
• Importance of careful preparation before speaking and the accuracy of facts
• Need to keep diplomacy active, with no “closed doors”
• Realization of the dangers of becoming locked into positions and of stating preconditions before the commencement of negotiation
• The use of “ice-breakers” and “shared experiences” when appropriate to build trust
## Simulation Roles for Students

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USEFUL WEBSITES:


CARNEGIE Endowment for International Peace: http://carnegieendowment.org/

International Institute For Strategic Studies: https://www.iiss.org/

Chatham House International Affairs Think Tank: https://www.chathamhouse.org/

Stockholm International Peace Research Institute: http://www.sipri.org/

International Atomic Energy Agency: https://www.iaea.org/

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization: https://www.ctbto.org/

READINGS

TEXT BOOKS:-

