

STV 4224: Theories of International Relations

Lecture Plan – Spring 2007

Time: 0815 – 1000

Place: ESH 847

Part I: What Kind of Theory and What Kind of Epistemology?

Lecture #1 – 23 January: Introduction; IR as Discipline – American, Global or European?; Theory – Which Kind(s) and to What Purpose(s)?

Required: Schmidt (2002); Wæver (1998); Waltz (1986); Cox (1986); George (1974)
Recommended: Singer (1961); Smith (2000); Hurrell (2004)

Lecture #2 – 25 January: Epistemologies – Positivist, Interpretative and Critical

Required: Jackson and Sørensen (2003; chapters 8-9); Wight (2002); Van Evera (1997; chapters 1-2); Smith (1996)
Recommended: Kratochwil and Ruggie (1986); Booth, Smith, Zalewski (1996); Monroe (2005); Johnson (2006)
Useful URL: <http://www.arena.uio.no/about/staff/checkel/Methods-Debate-Biblio.pdf>

Part II: Theoretical Schools and Traditions

Lecture #3 – 30 January: Rationalism and IR (I) – Realism in its Various Guises

Required: Snidal (2002); Mearsheimer (2001; chapter 2); Brooks (1997); Legro and Moravcsik (1999)
Recommended: Kahler (1998); Brooks and Wohlforth (2000/2001); Kang (2003); Lake (2003); Williams (2004)

Lecture #4 – 1 February: Rationalism and IR (II) – Neoliberal Institutionalism

Required: Keohane (1984; chapters 1, 6); Keohane and Martin (1995); Martin and Simmons (1998)
Recommended: Simmons (1993); Wallander (1999); Martin and Simmons (2002); Kelley (2004)

Lecture #5 – 6 February: Rationalism in IR (III) – Liberalism

Required: Doyle (1986); Matthew and Zacher (1995); Moravcsik (1997)
Recommended: Moravcsik (2000)

Lecture #6 – 7 February: Constructivism in IR (I) – Conventional and Modernist

Required: Adler (2002); Checkel (2006)
Recommended: Finnemore (1996; chapter 1); Keck and Sikkink (1998); Finnemore and Sikkink (1998); Adler and Barnett (1998); Moravcsik (1999); Burgos (2004)

Lecture #7 – 8 February: Constructivism in IR (II) – Interpretative and Discourse Theoretic

- Required: Neufield (1993); Guzzini (2000); Milliken (1999); Hopf (2002; chapter 1); Price (1995)
- Recommended: Hopf (2002; chapter 2); Neumann (2003); “Symposium: Interpretivism” (2003); Callahan (2003); de Volo and Schatz (2004); “Symposium: Discourse and Content Analysis” (2004); Hansen (2006)

Lecture #8 – 13 February: Constructivism in IR (III) – Critical, Feminist and Post-Modern

- Required: Price and Reus-Smit (1998); Tickner (2002); Doty (1993); Zehfuss (2002; chapter 1)
- Recommended: Sylvester (1996); Laffey and Weldes (1997); Zehfuss (2002; chapter 2)

Seminar #1 – 15 February: Discussion/Debate – War, Gender and IR Theory

- Required: “Symposium: War and Gender” (2003)
- Recommended: Goldstein (2001); Carpenter (2003); Forum (2003); Caprioli (2004)

Part III: Cutting Edge Issues and Challenges

Lecture #9 – 20 February: Beyond ‘Isms’ in IR and Towards Bridge Building?

- Required: Risse, Ropp, Sikink (1999; chapter 1); Fearon and Wendt (2002); Caporaso, Checkel and Jupille (2003); Zehfuss (2002; chapter 6); Mueller (2004)
- Recommended: March and Olsen (1998); Checkel and Moravcsik (2001); Shain and Barth (2003); Lewis (2005)
- Useful URL: <http://www.arena.uio.no/about/staff/checkel/Bridge-Building-Biblio.pdf>

Lecture #10 – 22 February: Taking ‘Domestic Politics’ Seriously

- Required: Gourevitch (2002); Hopf (2002; Chapter 6)
- Recommended: Milner (1992); Cortell and Davis (1996); Milner (1998); Cortell and Davis (2000)