

Political Science 403: The U.S. in World Affairs

TAKE-HOME ESSAY SET #16 (4%)

Due on the day of the final exam at noon in my office, Room 213, Horton

REMINDERS:

- 1) The essays will be single-spaced with normal default spacing, 1" margins, and of required length or the handwritten equivalent. You will use a font with a size of 11 or 12 and a face such as Times New Roman or the equivalent.
- 2) Each essay will begin with a topic sentence or a thesis statement.
- 3) When you draw from a reading or another source, credit the reading or source with a note in the form – (Bressler, p. 180). *If I find inadequate sourcing in an essay, I will assign a cut of up to 5 points for that essay.*
- 4) *If an essay is not of the required length, I will assign a cut of up to 5 of points for that essay.*

You may not collaborate on this task.

Topic: The Great Issue – Sustainable Development

Sub-topic: What is Sustainable Development?

My website: Brundtland Commission Report, Chapter 2: “Toward Sustainable Development, excerpt,” 1987

1. (40) **In a 3/4-page essay**, *define and describe* sustainable development.

Sub-topic: Population

My website: *The Population Institute*, “The Population Challenge: Key to Global Survival,” 2007, pp. 9-20

2. (40) **In a 3/4-page essay**, *describe* the possible effects of the continuing increase in the World population on sustainable development.

Sub-topic: Scarcity of Resources and the World Economy

My website: National Intelligence Council, Chapter 4, “Scarcity in the Midst of Plenty?” *Global Trends, 2025*, 2008, section on “Water, Food, and Climate Change,” pp. 51-55

My website: WWF, Rothkopf, “Impact of Climate Change,” Winter 2014, down to “We are entering”

3. (20) **In a ½-page essay**, *describe* what these articles suggest as the more probable effects of climate change and growing scarcity of resources necessary for life (water and food).