

**Political Science 560: International Politics**

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**TAKE-HOME QUIZ 1 (3%)**

**Due 9 February 2017/16 September 2015, at the beginning of class**

I expect, and will grade accordingly, that you will comply with the following:

- 1) 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. Examples of faces you will not use are *courier new* and **O C R**. *Failure to use an appropriate font can cost a 0.5 cut on each essay. Excessively short essays can cost a 0.5 cut for each such essay.*
- 2) If the requirement is for a "short essay," such an essay will closer in length to a ½ page than not.
- 3) Each essay will begin with a topic sentence or a thesis statement. *Failure to do this will cost 0.25 each essay.*
- 4) Remember the need to give credit where credit is due. Look again at the syllabus section on citing sources and plagiarism. 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 generally inadequate sourcing, I will assign a cut of up to full grade. If there is inadequate sourcing in an essay, I will assign a cut of 0.5 to that essay.*

**You may not collaborate on this task.**

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**26 JAN**

*Topic:* States and other Global Players

*Global Politics*, Chapter 1, "Introduction to Global Politics," pp. 8-10

My website: Ingram, vu-graph, "The State"

My website: Ingram, "Global Players"

1. (7) **In a paragraph**, *define* a state.
2. (10) **In a short essay**, *describe* the other major players (not specific states) on the international stage.

*Topic:* States and Nations

My website: Vu-graph, Ingram, "Nations and Nationalism"

My website: Paul, "Nations and States," Parts 1 and 2

3. (2) How many states are there?
4. (7) **In a paragraph**, *describe* how a state differs from a nation. Give an example of each. The Red Sox nation is not an acceptable answer.
5. (2) What is Paul describing under "pressures from below and above?"

**27 JAN***Topic: States*

My website: Ingram, vu-graph, “Tiers”

6. (10) **In a short essay**, *describe* Ingram’s concept of tiers.

My website: Rotberg, “The New Nature of Nation-State Failure”

My website: Vu-graph, Ingram. “Indicators of Failed or Failing States”

My website: *The Fund for Peace*, press release, 2015

My website: *The Fund for Peace*, indicators

My website: *The Fund for Peace*, rankings, 2015

7. (7) **In a paragraph**, *describe* how a failed state differs from a non-failed state.  
 8. (1) Name the four states that are ranked as the most vulnerable states in the index.  
 9. (5) What are the indicators the Fund uses to determine vulnerability, and what are the three primary indicators that cause Nigeria’s poor ranking?

*Sub-topic: Why States Exist, Are Important, and Will Be Long-Lasting*

My website: Paul, “Nations and States,” Part 4

My website: Ingram, “Why States Exist, Are Important, and Will Be Long-Lasting”

10. (10) **In a short essay**, *describe* the basis for Ingram’s view that the state will remain the primary actor in international affairs far into the future, contrary to the views in part 4 of Paul.

*Focus: The State, Sovereignty, and Anarchy*

My website: from Kenneth Waltz, *Man, the State and War*

My website: Vu-graphs, Ingram, “Sovereignty”

My website: Vu-graphs, Ingram, “Anarchy”

11. (7) **In a paragraph**, *describe* 1) state sovereignty and 2) the two foci of that sovereignty.  
 12. (2) From the perspective of international relations, what is anarchy?  
 13. ◆(10) **In a short essay**, *explain* Kenneth Waltz’ two conclusions in terms of anarchy and state sovereignty. *Remember to define the terms.*

**31 JAN GEOGRAPHY QUIZ DUE (3%)***Topic: Ethnicity and Nationalism*

My website: “Some notes on Ethnicity”

14. (10) **In a short essay**, *describe* how identity differs from ethnicity and ethnicity differs from nationalism.

My website: Muller, “Us and Them – The Enduring Power of Ethnic Nationalism,”  
*Foreign Affairs*, Mar-Apr 2008

15. (10) **In a short essay**, *describe* how ethnicity and ethno-nationalism are causative factors in the behavior of people and states.