

University of New Hampshire

Spring Semester, AY 2017-18

Political Science 561: The International Political Economy

TAKE-HOME EXAMINATION VI (20%) DUE MONDAY 14 MAY IN MY OFFICE BY NOON

- 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.*
 - 5) You may collaborate, in accordance with the syllabus, on essays marked with a ♦. **In this exam, these are the tasks at 1, 4, 9, 12, & 16.** For all other tasks, you may not collaborate. You may, however, use another student's class notes (not exam notes), but this must be done without reference to a specific question. In other words, you cannot just say something like: "Let me see your notes pertaining to question 32." If you collaborate on a marked question or use material gained from another student, credit that student with a footnote in the form – (Sarah Smith).
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SOME IPE ISSUES

MON 23 APR

Topic: Globalization

My website: Schaeffer, *Understanding Globalization: The Social Consequences of Political Economic, and Environment Change*, 2003

My website: *World Sherpa*: "Globalization, Sustainable Development and Social Impact in World Rankings, Countries and Cities"

Cohn, Chapter 12, "Current Trends in the Global Political Economy," pp. 384-391

My website: IMF, "Globalization, a Brief Overview"

1. ♦(7) **In a 3/4-page essay**, *define* and *describe* globalization, drawing appropriately from all four readings, and *describe* how globalization differs from economic globalization.

Sub-topic: Migration

Cohn, Chapter 12, "Current Trends in the Global Political Economy," pp. 393-395

My website: New World Encyclopedia, "Human Migration," sections on causes, push and pull factors, and effects "

2. (6) **In a ½-page essay**, *describe* the causes, factors, and effects of the current trends in human migration.

WED 25 APR

Topic: The Great Issue – Sustainable Development (I)

Sub-topic: Malthus and the Dismal Science

Wikipedia, "Malthusian Catastrophe"

3. (4) **In a short essay**, *describe* the concept of a Malthusian catastrophe.

Sub-topic: What is Sustainable Development?

My website: Brundtland Commission Report, Chapter 2: "Toward Sustainable Development, section I, Concept of Sustainable Development," 1987

My website: *Global Issues*, Shah, "Sustainable Development Introduction"

My website: Harris, "Basic Principles of Sustainable Development," June 2000," pp. 5-22

4. ★(7) **In a 3/4-page essay**, *define* and *describe* sustainable development, drawing appropriately from each article.

Sub-topic: Population

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

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

MON 30 APR

Topic: The Great Issue – Sustainable Development (II)

Sub-topic: The Role of Growth

My website: Ingram, "Some Economic Concepts," XV

(The Production Possibility Curve) & class notes

My web-site: *NYT*, Porter, "Imaging a World Without Growth," 1 Dec 2015

6. (6) **In a ½-page essay**, *describe* how this article and our in-class discussion of the production possibility curve fits into what you said in #4.

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, pp. 51-55

My website: WWF, Rothkopf, "Impact of Climate Change," Winter 2014

7. (5) **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).

Sub-topic: Sustainable Development – causal factors

My website: Ingram: Vu-graph, “Production Possibility Curve”

Sustainable development = \int (population, standard of living, natural resources, climate, technology, policy)

The definition of sustainable development you wrote about in task #4 is, by necessity, extremely broad as a concept. The equation above is focused on specific causal factors.

8. (7) **In a 3/4-page essay**, *describe* your view of those specific causal factors. Ensure you explain the reasons for your view.
9. **◆(7) In a one page essay**, *discuss* what other causal factors you would add to the equation. (Keep the total number of causal factors to no more than ten. If necessary, redefine some of the original seven.)
10. (7) Then **select one causal factor** and **in a 3/4-page essay** *discuss* this factor as a dependent variable and *describe* its primary independent causal factors.

WED 2 MAY

Topic: The Developing World Economy (I)

Sub-Topic: A Pluralist World Economy

My website: *The Economist*, 4 July 2008, "Who Runs the World?"

My website: National Intelligence Council, “Non-State Actors,” August 2007

11. (5) **In a ½-page essay**, *describe* the pluralist nature of the international political economy today.

Sub-Topic: Capitalism

My website: *The Economist*, “State Capitalism, Theme and Variations,”
21 Jan 2012

My website: *The Economist*, October 12th-18th 2013, “What kind of capitalism”

My website: NYT, Rattner, “Is China’s Version of Capitalism Winning?”
27 March 2018

12. **◆(7) In a 3/4-page essay**, *define* state capitalism and *discuss* the how state capitalism differs from liberal capitalism. (Remembering how we defined capitalism in Exam I will help.)

MON 7 MAY

Topic: The Developing World Economy (II)

Sub-Topic: Governance

My website: Council on Foreign Relations, Drezner, “The Irony of Global Economic Governance – The System Worked,” Oct 2012 (again)

13. (5) **In a ½-page essay**, what aspect of the global economic system is the topic of Drezner’s paper and *discuss* why he believes that aspect of the global economic system worked during the Great Recession. Your focus should be on the “why.”

Cohn, Chapter 4, “Liberalism,” pp. 89-90

Cohn, Chapter 12, “Current Trends in the Global Political Economy,” pp. 399-401

My website: *The Economist*, “The New World Economic Order,” 3 Oct 2015

14. ♦(7) **In a 3/4-page essay**, *discuss* the need for multilateral economic governance and the difficulties of developing such governance, using all three readings.

My website: Spero, Chapter 11, “Conclusion: Globalization and Governance,”
section on characteristics of a new system of governance

15. (7) **In a 3/4-page essay**, *describe* Spero’s characteristics of a new system of economic governance and *discuss* the difficulties of creating such a system and what she has left out of her consideration.

Topic: Requirement for Coordination in a Competitive World Driven by National Interests, Where Many of the Most Critical Issues are Transnational

16. ♦(6) **In a ½-page essay**, *explain* what is a transnational issue and *explain* why transnational issues, such as global economics, need cooperation and governance.