

# Teaching in IR

Fall 2017 - Spring 2018



# Arnulf Becker Lorca

Visiting Lecturer in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1700: Intro to International Law** This lecture covers the nature of legal reasoning in international relations, the interplay of international law and international politics, and the international legal process. Examines selected substantive fields such as state responsibility, the use of force, international human rights, and the U.S. and international law.



### **Guy Ben-Porat**

Senior Fellow in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1802D: Religion, Politics and Society: Israel in a Comparative Perspective** This seminar explores contemporary dilemmas of religion and politics in Israel. Drawing from different theoretical sources and using other case studies, it allows a study of Israel in a comparative perspective and hopes to engage in debates relevant to all.



Amb. Richard Boucher

Senior Fellow in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1802V: Diplomacy, Economics, and Influence** This seminar examines a dozen diplomatic situations and identifies the players, their interests, and their tools—and how those produced outcomes. Particular attention is paid to economic factors—pressures, incentives, and influences—that contribute to the outcome.



#### Ali Kadivar

Postdoctoral Fellow in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1803N: Reassessing Contentious Politics, and Social Movements** This seminar introduces the major theories of social movements that explain the origins, dynamics, and consequences of contentious politics. We concentrate on the Middle East, the First and Second Palestinian Intifadas, and Arab Spring uprisings; examining how social movement theory helps us to understand these major episodes of mass mobilization and how these episodes prompt us to change our way of thinking about social movements and contentious politics more generally.



# Stephen Kinzer

Senior Fellow in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1443: History of American Intervention** This lecture reviews modern history through the study of invasions, coups, and other interventions carried out by the United States. From the Marine assault on Tripoli in 1805 to the bombing of Tripoli in 2011, there have been scores of these episodes. They have shaped American history and the history of the wider world.

**INTL 1803Q: Spheres of Influence** This seminar exposes students to a concept that has played an important role in the history of international relations. We study the origin of sphere-of-influence geopolitics and review episodes when it promoted stability or instability. This allows us to compare the ways that great powers have used this concept, and to predict how they may do so in the future.



# Rahul Mediratta

Postdoctoral Fellow in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1803P Grey Markets: The Illegal but Legitimate Economy** This seminar investigates grey markets – commerce that is technically illegal, yet socially permitted and largely inoffensive. Unauthorized sales, intellectual property crimes (e.g. piracy, bootlegging, counterfeits), and evading customs tariffs and monitoring are constitutive examples of the grey market. These transactions skirt the interests of various actors, including firms, states, and societies.



#### **Edward Steinfeld**

Director of the Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Professor of Political Science

**INTL 1910:** Senior Honors Seminar Open only to Senior students accepted into the International Relations Honors Program, this research seminar provides conceptual foundations and interdisciplinary methodological strategies for completing an undergraduate thesis in IR.



#### J. Nicholas Ziegler

Professor of International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1803: Risk, Regulation, and the Comparative Politics of Finance** The course introduces students to the comparative history of finance as well as to alternative theories of regulation. It thereby develops students' ability to compare the role played by financial institutions in different historical periods and national contexts.



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#### J Brian Atwood

Senior Fellow in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1803H: Bilateral and Multilateral Policy and Diplomacy** This course examines the practice and profession of diplomacy and its relationship to the policy process. Focus is on bilateral and multilateral diplomacy. The practice focuses on U.S. context and lessons learned apply to other nation states. We review history of inter-state relations, including the international legal basis for diplomatic relations.



#### Narges Bajoghli

Postdoctoral Fellow in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1803K: Media Wars: The Middle East** In the last fourteen years, the Middle East has occupied a disproportionate degree of attention in news and social media in the United States and Western Europe, in comparison to other regions of the world today. While some of that media have served to elucidate certain aspects of societies and cultures in the Middle East, other media have further simplified the region to cliches. In this course, we address these themes via media: U.S. news production, television, digital media and cyberterrorism, religion, music, and ISIS.



Nicholas Barnes

Postdoctoral Fellow in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1803A: International Politics and Organized Crime** Organized crime and extra-legal actors have established themselves as political actors in every region of the world. Violence has exploded in countries as criminal organizations compete with each other, the state, as well as a variety of other non-state armed groups for control of illicit markets, local dominance, and political influence. This course offers a broad understanding of these organizations, their origins, and the various illegal and violent activities in which they are engaged. This course is comparative and interdisciplinary in nature, drawing from research in criminology, sociology, anthropology, economics, and political science.



#### Guy Ben-Porat

Senior Fellow in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1803R: Minorities, Multiculturalism and Public Policy: Difference, Conflict and Accommodation** This course explores contemporary dilemmas of multiculturalism in a comparative and theoretical perspective. We examine when differences lead to conflicts and how can schisms be accommodated by political arrangement and policies. The course introduces the concept of multiculturalism and its relevance to politics and policymaking through different models of incorporation and assimilation and different states' experiences and choices. We discuss different schisms and divisions – national, religious, and ethnic – and their significance to citizenship, as well as different dilemmas, institutional arrangements and policies.



### Stephen Kinzer

Senior Fellow in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1802W: International Journalism** This seminar is designed to give students direct experience with the job of writing journalistically about world affairs. Through a combination of writing exercises and classroom discussions, we explore the challenges of craft, judgment, and logistics that face foreign correspondents and others who cover international news. We focus on essential writing and reporting skills, and also consider ways in which international reporting is changing as a result of new technology.



#### Almita Miranda

Postdoctoral Fellow in International and Public Affairs

**INTL 1803S: US-Mexico Borderlands** This course explores a range of topics surrounding the U.S.-Mexico border, the borderlands, and local and global processes affecting both the United States and Mexico. Drawing from an interdisciplinary set of readings, documentary films, and lectures, students study and analyze the historical political-economic context under which the U.S.-Mexico border was created, a set of issues that continue to affect the region, its inhabitants, and individuals crossing the physical and metaphorical terrain.