



Level 6 Advanced Diploma in Management (891)
149 Credits






Unit: International Politics	Guided Learning Hours: 200
Exam Paper No.: 5	Number of Credits: 20
Prerequisites: Knowledge of management terminology.	Corequisites: A pass or higher in Diploma in Management or equivalence.
<p>Aim: Politics and International Relations are distinctive in seeing politics as a discipline that connects theory and government, global and local, state and society. The study of politics involves both an understanding of the history of political ideas and of the institutions that make the practice of politics possible. The unit focuses upon the central questions of politics that have shaped the modern world and invite learners to analyse, discuss and develop their ideas about such themes as war and peace, poverty and inequality, order and justice, governance and power. Apart from its intrinsic interest, studying politics and international relations also cultivates other skills which are highly valued by employers - the ability to analyse complex problems and to understand and absorb difficult material; the ability to express oneself clearly and forcefully both in writing and orally; and the ability to work effectively and constructively as part of a team. Topics covered include the changing nature of armed conflicts and warfare, conflict management and prevention, as well as security challenges. Globalisation and the changing nature of the modern state, integration, international law, ethics, and the role of international organisations are also discussed. Focus is furthermore on the limits of sovereignty, morality and law, just war and humanitarian interventions, democratisation, failed states and international responsibility, as well as the role of human and minority rights in world politics, and questions around multiethnic and multicultural societies.</p>	
Required Materials: Recommended Learning Resources.	Supplementary Materials: Lecture notes and tutor extra reading recommendations.
Special Requirements: The unit requires a combination of lectures, demonstrations and discussions.	
<p>Intended Learning Outcomes:</p> <p>1 The analytical and theoretical issues in international relations, comparative politics, political theory, foreign policy, and modernisation.</p> <p>2 The evolution of the global system, perils of preemptive Wars and examine the theory and practice of military peacekeeping.</p> <p>3 Understand how a country's foreign policy approaches are strategically employed to interact with other countries, especially in recent times, due to the deepening level of globalization and transnational activities.</p>	<p>Assessment Criteria:</p> <p>1.1 Analyse the relationship between Society and Politics</p> <p>1.2 Describe public policy</p> <p>1.3 Identify world politics perspectives</p> <p>1.4 Describe the effect of economic sanctions</p> <p>1.5 Analyse the effects of global environmental problems on quality of life</p> <p>2.1 Describe North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO)</p> <p>2.2 Describe the United Nations (UN) organisation</p> <p>2.3 Describe Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)</p> <p>2.4 Outline the effects of promoting democracy abroad</p> <p>2.5 Analyse the political environment in (i) Africa (ii) Middle East (iii) Western Europe (iv) Eastern Europe (v) Latin America (vi) Asia (vii) North America</p> <p>3.1 Outline the impact of foreign policy on people</p> <p>3.2 Describe how state (government) organisation and operation affect foreign policy</p> <p>3.3 Explain the external realities and</p>

		pressures that influence a country's policy
	3.4	Analyse government structures, bureaucracies, legislatures and interest groups
	3.5	Describe the responsibilities of (i) UN (ii) World Trade Organisation (iii) International Monetary Fund
4		The debates which permeate the study of nations and nationalism and definition the terms "nation" and "nationalism."
	4.1	Outline the way nations identify themselves politically
	4.2	Describe world stateless nations
	4.3	Analyse people's views towards immigrants
	4.4	Evaluate the positive and negative aspects of nationalism
5		The origins and meaning of globalisation including how the increasing economic integration of the world is having profound effects on rich and poor countries alike.
	5.1	Explain globalisation, its advantages and disadvantages
	5.2	Describe the effects of free unregulated trade and protection of domestic industries
	5.3	Analyse the development of trans-nationalism
	5.4	Compare and contrast economic nationalism vs economic internationalism
	5.5	Analyse the effects of international economic cooperation
	5.6	Describe how nations should preserve and enhance biosphere
	5.7	Describe if global warning is a scientific reality or a political reality
6		Understand how nation state derives its political legitimacy from serving as a sovereign political and geopolitical entity and the importance of intergovernmental organisations.
	6.1	Describe how governments formulate their policies
	6.2	Outline how to measure freedom
	6.3	Describe national core and national infrastructure elements of power
	6.4	Compare and contrast intergovernmental organisations (IGOs) vs nongovernmental organisations (NGOs)
	6.5	Analyse the aim and objectives of European Union
	6.6	Describe responsibilities of the UN Security Council
7		Understand how international law governs, impacts and deals with legal interactions between different nations, their governments, businesses and organisations, to include human rights and responsibilities.
	7.1	Compare and contrast (i) International Court of Justice (ICJ) (ii) International Criminal Court (ICC)
	7.2	Describe the Human Rights Act
	7.3	Explain the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UNDHR)
	7.4	Describe INTERPOL
8		The measures taken by nations and international organizations, such as the United Nations, to ensure mutual survival and safety.
	8.1	Describe the history of nuclear weapons
	8.2	Analyse the responsibilities of International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
	8.3	Describe the international security

	threats of the 21 st century
Methods of Evaluation: A 3-hour written examination paper with five essay questions, each carrying 20 marks. Candidates are required to answer all questions. Candidates also undertake project/coursework in International Politics with a weighting of 100%.	

Recommended Learning Resources: International Politics

Text Books	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Globalisation of World Politics: an Introduction to International Relations by John Baylis, Steve Smith and Patricia Owens. ISBN-10: 0199297770 • Understanding International Relations by Chris Brown and Kirsten Ainley. ISBN-10: 1403946647 • International Organisation in World Politics (Making of the Twentieth Century) by David Armstrong , Lorna Lloyd and John Redmond. ISBN-10: 1403903034
Study Manuals 	BCE produced study packs
CD ROM 	Power-point slides
Software 	None

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