

INR 3502: Honors International Organization
Wednesday, 2:00 pm – 4:50 pm
3 Credit Hours Fall 2019
Location: AD 104

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Wednesdays (Jupiter Campus, WB 219): 10:30-11:30 am

Required Textbook As a research-intensive course in which students engage in extensive investigation of an assigned country, committee and committee topics that are distinct from others in the class, INR 3502 does not assign a required textbook for the first half of the class. Students will acquire information from books, journal articles and websites based upon their assigned country, committee and committee topics. In addition, students will download and study the various briefings posted by the competition organizers.

Course Description

International Organization combines traditional classroom lectures with a practicum that allows students to apply the knowledge gained about the world in a national collegiate competition. Students will be assigned a United Nations member-state and required to compile a portfolio of their research that outlines the country's political, economic, geographic and historical profile. Students are then assigned to a United Nations theme-based committee that will seek to resolve two compelling topics at Nationals.

The class will travel to Washington, D.C. on Thursday, November 8 and return to South Florida on Sunday, November 11. The National Model United Nations competition will take place at the Crystal Gateway Marriott. Required activities include opening and closing ceremonies, six three-hour committee sessions and attendance at an opportunity/career fair. All events take place at the conference hotel.

There are no pre-requisites or co-requisites for this course.

Course Goals and Objectives

In addition to providing students with the international relations skills with which to study and analyze the field of diplomacy, students successfully completing **INR 3502** will be able to:

- *identify the traits and work product of diplomats,
- *understand and apply the concepts of diplomatic and country character,

- *learn the strategies employed by diplomats in the representation of their countries,
- *draft and deliver speeches on behalf of their assigned country,
- *acquire the methods of drafting international organization reports and/or resolutions,
- *construct a diplomatic portfolio that contains all materials necessary to represent their assigned country on their assigned committee,
- *develop an in depth understanding of the three topics assigned to them, and
- *represent the university at a major diplomacy competition.

Grade Determination

Preparation for the National Model United Nations competition, participation in Nationals and a final exam will determine the final grade. The breakdown of the final grade calculation is below:

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| Preparation requirements for National Model United Nations-DC: | 75% |
| *includes attendance, quizzes, speeches, simulations, position papers, portfolio checks and mid-term exam | |
| NMUN Participation | 15% |
| Final exam: | 10% |
| Total: | 100% |

A complete & detailed breakdown of the grade calculation is located on p. 5

This course uses a standard ten-point scale for the assignment of final grades as follows:

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| | 93-100 A | 90-92 A- |
| 87-89 B+ | 83-86 B | 80-82 B- |
| 77-79 C+ | 73-76 C | 70-72 C- |
| 67-69 D+ | 63-66 D | 60-62 D- |
| 59 or below F | | |

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) Center

Life as a university student can be challenging physically, mentally and emotionally. Students who find stress negatively affecting their ability to achieve academic or personal goals may wish to consider utilizing FAU's Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) Center. CAPS provides FAU students a range of services – individual counseling, support meetings, and psychiatric services, to name a few – offered to help improve and maintain emotional well-being. For more information, go to <http://www.fau.edu/counseling/>

Students with Disability

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA), students who require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to properly execute coursework must register with Student Accessibility Services (SAS) and follow all SAS procedures. SAS has offices across three of FAU's campuses – Boca Raton, Davie and Jupiter – however disability services are available for students on all campuses. For more information, please visit the SAS website at www.fau.edu/sas/.

Code of Academic Integrity

Students at Florida Atlantic University are expected to maintain the highest ethical standards. Academic dishonesty is considered a serious breach of these ethical standards, because it interferes with the university mission to provide a high quality education in which no student enjoys an unfair advantage over any other. Academic dishonesty is also destructive of the university community, which is grounded in a system of mutual trust and places high value on personal integrity and individual responsibility. Harsh penalties are associated with academic dishonesty. For more information, see University Regulation 4.001. If your college has particular policies relating to cheating and plagiarism, state so here or provide a link to the full policy—but be sure the college policy does not conflict with the University Regulation.

Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend all of their scheduled University classes and to satisfy all academic objectives as outlined by the instructor. The effect of absences upon grades is determined by the instructor and outlined in the Grade Determination section above, and the University reserves the right to deal at any time with individual cases of non-attendance.

Students are responsible for arranging to make up work missed because of legitimate class absence, such as illness, family emergencies, military obligation, court-imposed legal obligations or participation in University approved activities. Examples of University-approved reasons for absences include participating on an athletic or scholastic team, musical and theatrical performances and debate activities. It is the student's responsibility to give the instructor notice prior to any anticipated absences and within a reasonable amount of time after an unanticipated absence, ordinarily by the next scheduled class meeting. Instructors must allow each student who is absent for a University-approved reason the opportunity to make up work missed without any reduction in the student's final course grade as a direct result of such absence.

Honors Distinction Statement

This course differs substantially from a non-Honors course. The expectations for participation in class discussions will be greater than in a typical undergraduate course with a larger cap. Most importantly, this course will reflect the interdisciplinary nature of Honors education and will inculcate critical attitudes and skills that will teach you how to learn for yourself.

Course Outline

- Aug 22. Introduction to Diplomacy & simulation.**
- Aug 29. Speech making I & simulation.**
- Sept 5. Speech making II & simulation.**
- Sept 12. Portfolio research & simulation.**
- Sept 19. Regional strategies & simulation.**
- Sept 26. Global strategies & simulation.**
- Oct. 3. Rules of Procedure & simulation.**
- Oct. 10. Draft position papers due & simulation.**
- Oct. 17. Short speeches & simulation.**
- Oct. 24. Portfolio completion, impromptu speeches & agenda speeches.**
- Oct. 31. Mid-term exam (Tuesday) & simulation.**
- Nov. 7. Final Preparation for NMUN-DC.**

****all assigned readings and research through October 31 will be assigned in class and are dependent on each student's assigned country and committee.**

- Nov. 8-11. NMUN-DC.**
- Nov 14. Online Assignment.**
- Nov 21. Online Assignment. Thanksgiving Week.**
- Nov 28. Online Assignment.**

***Final Examination: visit www.fau.edu for the final exam schedule.**

Attendance: 200 points

8/22 8/29 9/5 9/12 9/19 9/26 10/3 10/10 10/17 10/24

Eighteen (18) points for each class attended on time, two points for having placard.
Two points will be deducted for late arrival of three minutes or less, five points deducted for arriving more than three minutes late, partial credit for very late arrivals or early departures.

Geography Quizzes: 10 points each 1 2 3

Prepared Speeches: 10 points each 1 2 3

Position Papers: 100 points

Portfolio Checks: First (15 points) Second (25) Third (40)

Simulations: 20 points each 1 2 3 4
5 6 7 8

Mid-Term Examination: 150 points

NMUN-DC Competition: 150 points

Final Exam (December): 100 points

Total # of Points: /1000

Letter Grade: A A- B+ B B- C+ C C- D F