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DIPL 3150-AA: New Dimensions in Human Security

Spring 2015	Fridays 08:30-11:00AM	Duffy Hall 80
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Course Objectives:

This course traces the key evolutions in the development of the concept of human security, the various definitions and critiques, how it relates to other concepts and what it implies for politics, polities and policy. Human security is a new concept for clarifying what peace requires and the policies and priorities by which to achieve it. As the process of globalization gains more momentum, the threats also become transnational and states lose power to non-state actors. Thus security can no longer be studied in a one-dimensional fashion. It should be examined from an interdisciplinary perspective, considering a variety of factors as well as their interactions. Case studies from different regions of the world will help illuminate the arguments which focus on the shift in approach in studying security in general and human security in particular and the debates about national sovereignty and global vision of security.

Required Textbook:

Shahrbanou Tadjbakhsh and Anuradha Chenoy, *Human Security: Concepts and Implications*, London: Routledge, 2009.

Recommended:

Felix Dodds and Tim Pippard (eds.), *Human and Environmental Security: An Agenda for Change*, London: Routledge, 2005.

Shannon D. Beebe and Mary Kaldor, *The Ultimate Weapon is No Weapon: Human Security and the New Rules of War and Peace*, London: ReadHowYouWant, 2012.

The above books, as assigned, are required reading for the course. Additional reading assignments will be added during the course of the semester.

Course Requirements:

Students will be graded on the following basis:

- 1) One-hour midterm exam (Friday, October 16). It will be given during the regular class period and will cover the material studied thus far. It counts 25% of the final grade.
- 2) A term paper of 10-12 pages with at least five references (not including the textbooks), on a topic to be approved beforehand by the professor. Due December 4 and counts 25% of the final grade. Students can also work in groups. All students should present findings of their research in class in 10 minutes, followed by five minutes of questions and answers.
- 3) Two-hour final exam on Monday, December 21. It will cover the entire course, lectures and reading, counting 40% of the final grade. On both examinations, questions will be of the essay type, but there will be objective and identification questions as well.
- 4) Class participation counts 10% of the final grade.

Disability Services Statement

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Civil Rights Restoration Act, students at Seton Hall University who have a disability may be eligible for accommodations in this course. Should a student require such accommodation, he or she must self-identify at the Office of Disability Support Services (DSS), Room 67, Duffy Hall, provide documentation of said disability, and work with DSS to develop a plan for accommodations. The contact person is Ms. Diane Delorenzo at (973) 313-6003.

Academic Integrity & Dishonesty

Plagiarism and other forms of academic dishonesty will be reported to the administration, and may result in a lowered or failing grade for the course and up to possible dismissal from the School of Diplomacy. See university and school standards for academic conduct here:

<http://www.shu.edu/offices/student-life/community-standards/community-standards.cfm>

<http://www.shu.edu/academics/diplomacy/academic-conduct.cfm>.

Schedule of Topics and Readings

Dates	Topics	Readings
9/4	Introductory Notes	Tadjbakhsh, Introduction
9/11	Rational for Human Security	Tadjbakhsh, Chap. 1 Beebe, Chap. 1
9/18	Critiques of Human Security	Tadjbakhsh, Chap. 2 Beebe, Chap. 2
9/25	Security Studies and Human Security	Tadjbakhsh, Chap. 3 Beebe, Chap. 3
10/2	Human Development	Tadjbakhsh, Chap. 4 Dodds, Chap. 2
10/9	Debates in Human Rights	Tadjbakhsh, Chap. 5
10/16	Midterm Exam Conflict and Security	Tadjbakhsh, Chap. 6 Dodds, Chap. 3

10/23	State Responsibilities Tadjbakhsh, Chap. 7 Beebe, Chap. 9	
10/30	International Community and Human Security Tadjbakhsh, Chap. 8 Dodds, Chap. 6	
11/6	Debates on International Aid Tadjbakhsh, Chaps. 9-10 Dodds, Chap. 7	
11/20	Human Security and Gender Equality Dodds, Chap. 5	
11/27	Thanksgiving	
12/4	Student Presentations	
12/11	Student Presentations	
12/21	Final Exam	2:30PM