



#### Course Syllabus

1	Course title	Methods of Third Party Intervention
2	Course number	3001727
2	Credit hours (theory, practical)	3 hours
3	Contact hours (theory, practical)	3 hours
4	Prerequisites/corequisites	
5	Program title	Master in Conflict Resolutions
6	Program code	01
7	Awarding institution	
8	School Prince Hussein bin Abdullah II Faculty of International Studies	
9	Department	Department of International Studies, Diplomacy and Regional Studies
10	Level of course	Master Level
11	Year of study and semester (s)	Spring Semester 2018
12	Final Qualification	
13	Other department (s) involved in teaching the course	Master in Diplomatic Studies
14	Language of Instruction	English Language
15	Date of production/revision	

# 16. Course Coordinator:

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#### 18. Course Description:

This course is especially designed to allow students to explore, develop and gain an in-depth understanding of different techniques of conflict management and resolution such as mediation, arbitration, good office, conciliation and preventive diplomacy. Moreover, this course would also enable students to develop necessary research and analytical skills.

#### 19. Course aims and outcomes:

#### A- Aims:

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## Course Objectives

This course is to ensure that students have developed a good understanding of conflict management and the means for resolution, and their relevant aspects.

B- Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs): Upon successful completion of this course students will be able to

After completing this program, the student is expected to be able to:

- 1. Analyses and evaluates knowledge and theories in conflict resolution.
- 2. Takes responsibility and contributes to the development of community institutions.
- 3. Analyses and evaluates the reality of international and regional organizations in terms of the legal and regulatory dimension, modern approaches to international organizations, the role of international organizations in contemporary international political mobility, their effectiveness and their ability to identify and describe the strengths and weaknesses of their performance.
- 4. Jordanian diplomacy, its actors, and Jordan's foreign policy-making tools are discussed, analysed and studied at the Arab, regional and international levels.
- 5. Reflects what they has learned through writing in newspapers and the media, especially on issues related to Conflict Resolution.
- 6. Promotes through their behaviour national belonging and respect for laws, regulations and guidelines in the community.
- 7. Employs the use of technology and contemporary research methods in teaching.
- 8. Practices critical and independent thinking and employs problem solving skills in analysing political problems and anticipating their future scenarios.
- 9. Proposes and provides topics for dialogue and discussion in the area of Conflict Resolution.
- 10. Writing reports and articles in a scientific way that shows professionalism and excellence.
- 11. Research methods are used to write, submit and publish papers and research papers in refereed scientific journals.

### 20. Topic Outline and Schedule:

#### **Course Requirements**

**Exams** There will be two exams for our enjoyment. There will be a midterm exam on March

29, 2018 and a final exam on May 17, 2018. The exams will consist of essay questions. The Midterm Exam is worth 30 points and the Final Exam is worth 40

points.

Term Paper A term paper is a requirement of this course. The topic of the paper should be relevant

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Class attendance is mandatory. Attendance will be taken each session. Legitimate Attendance

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Class

Each student is expected to have read the assigned reading **prior** to attending Participation class. THIS IS A SEMINAR STYLE COURSE. Each student must be prepared to

participate in class discussion concerning the readings.

**Grading** The total number of points that can be earned for the semester is **100 points**. The

points are distributed as follows:

Midterm Exam 30 points 40 points Final Exam Term Paper 20 points **Class Participation** 10 points 100 points

Term Paper Outline 5 points

1<sup>st</sup> Draft 5 points 2<sup>nd</sup> Draft 5 points Presentation 5 points

20 points

# 21. Teaching Methods and Assignments:

Development of ILOs is promoted through the following teaching and learning methods:

# Assignment Schedule

-		Topics	Readings	
Week 1	Feb. 1	Orientation		

Week 2	Feb.8	Orientation	
Week 3	Feb. 15	Orientation	
Week 4	Feb. 22	Third Party Intervention	Fisher Regan
Week 5	Mar. 1	Mediation	Smith & Smock
Week 6	Mar. 8	Mediation II	Beardsley and Lo Balachandra etal.
		Outline Due	Datachandra etai.
Week 7	Mar. 15	Conditions for Effective Mediation	Bercovitch &Houston Bercovitch
Week 8	Mar. 22	Negotiations	Druckman Loschelder/Trotschel
Week 9	Mar. 29	MIDTERM EXAM	
Week 10	Apr. 5	Good Offices	O'Donoghue Barei
Week 11	Apr. 12	Conciliation	Merrill*** de Bellaigue
		1st Draft of Paper Due	Jackson
Week 12	Apr. 19	Preventive Diplomacy/Early Warning	George George and Holl Muggah & White
Week 13	Apr. 26	Arbitration	Shin Deng
Week 14	May 3	Problem Solving Workshop	Fisher Yilmaz Kelman
Week 15 Week 16	May 10 May 17	Paper Presentations FINAL EXAM	Kemidi

### 22. Evaluation Methods and Course Requirements:

Opportunities to demonstrate achievement of the ILOs are provided through the following assessment methods and requirements:

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#### 23. Course Policies:

- A- Attendance policies:
- B- Absences from exams and handing in assignments on time:
- C- Health and safety procedures:
- D- Honesty policy regarding cheating, plagiarism, misbehavior:
- E- Grading policy:

F- Available university services that support achievement in the course:

# **24. Required equipment:** ( Facilities, Tools, Labs, Training....)

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