Universidad de Navarra

Security in a globalised world

Guía docente 2026-27

PRESENTACIÓN

Breve descripción:

- **Titulación**: Economics, Leadership & Governance
- **Módulo/Materia**: Security in a Globalised World
- **ECTS**: 3 ects
- **Curso, semestre:** 5º, Segundo
- **Carácter**: Obligatorio
- **Profesorado**: Juan Ángel Soto
- **Idioma**: Inglés
- **Aula, Horario**: Aula 13 (Edificio Amigos). Friday from 12:00 to 14:00

PROGRAMA

Course Outline: Security in a Globalised World

Introduction: This course examines how globalisation influences traditional and non-traditional security challenges, exploring global, regional, and national approaches to maintaining security in an interconnected world.

January 9th. Session 1: Introduction to International Security and International Relations Theory

• **Topics:**

- Introduction to Theory of International Relations.
- Defining security: Traditional vs. non-traditional security.
- Impact of globalisation on security paradigms.
- Key actors in global security: States, international organisations, and non-state actors.

January 16th. Joint session with George Quinlan

January 27th. Session 2: Globalisation and Its Impact on State Sovereignty (Room M5 Amigos Building from 17:30 to 19:30)

• **Topics:**

- The tension between state sovereignty and global governance.
- The role of international organisations (e.g., UN, NATO, WTO).
- Examples of sovereignty challenges (e.g., EU integration, cyber sovereignty).

• **Activities:** Debate on the trade-offs between sovereignty and global cooperation.

January 30th. Session 3: International Terrorism and Global Security

• **Topics:**

- The globalisation of terrorist networks.
- Counter-terrorism strategies in a globalised context.
- Balancing civil liberties and security.

February 6th. Session 4: Economic Security in a Globalised Economy

• **Topics:**

- Economic interdependence as a source of stability and vulnerability.
- Trade wars, sanctions, and economic coercion.
- Resource security (e.g., energy, water, food).

• **Activities:** Simulation on the impact of economic sanctions on global security.

February 13th. Session 5: Climate Change and Environmental Security

• **Topics:**

- Climate change as a global security threat.
- Migration, resource conflicts, and natural disasters.
- International agreements and initiatives (e.g., Paris Agreement).

February 20th. Essay No. 1 (10%)

February 27th. Session 6: Migration and Human Security

• **Topics:**

- Migration as a security issue: Refugees vs. economic migrants.
- Impact of globalisation on migration flows.
- Regional approaches to managing migration crises.

• **Activities:** Case study on the European migration crisis.

March 6th. Session 7: WAR IN IRAN

• **Topics:**

- Pandemics as security threats in a globalised world.
- Lessons from COVID-19 and other health crises.
- Strengthening global health governance.

• **Activities:** Review of the World Health Organisation's response mechanisms.

March 13th. Session 8: WAR IN IRAN IN THE CONTEXT OF Great Power Competition in a Globalised World

• **Topics:**

- Shifts in global power dynamics (e.g., US-China rivalry).
- Globalisation as both a cause and arena of competition.
- Regional flashpoints (e.g., South China Sea, Arctic).

• **Activities:** Role-playing exercise on multilateral conflict resolution.

March 20th. Essay No. 2 (15%)

April 24th. Review Session

EVALUACIÓN

- Attendance and Participation: 20%
- Essay 1: 10%
- Essay 2: 15%
- Final Exam: 55%

CONVOCATORIA ORDINARIA

- **Tuesday, May 19th**

CONVOCATORIA EXTRAORDINARIA

- **Monday, June 22nd**

HORARIOS DE ATENCIÓN

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- Appointment via email

BIBLIOGRAFÍA Y RECURSOS

Core Texts

1. **Buzan, Barry, and Hansen, Lene.** *The Evolution of International Security Studies.* Cambridge University Press, 2009.

• A foundational text exploring the development of security studies in the context of global changes. Find it in the library.

2. **Baylis, John, et al.** *The Globalization of World Politics: An Introduction to International Relations.* Oxford University Press, 2020.

• A comprehensive overview of globalization's impact on international relations and security. Find it in the library.

3. **Acharya, Amitav, and Buzan, Barry.** *The Making of Global International Relations: Origins and Evolution of IR at its Centenary.* Cambridge University Press, 2019.

• Examines the global origins and diverse perspectives on international relations. Find it in the library.

International Relations Theory and Realism

4. **Mearsheimer, John J.** *The Tragedy of Great Power Politics.* W.W. Norton & Company, 2001.

• A seminal work on offensive realism and the behavior of great powers in the international system. Find it in the library.

5. **Waltz, Kenneth N.** *Theory of International Politics.* McGraw-Hill, 1979.

• Introduces structural realism (neorealism) and its implications for international relations.

6. **Gilpin, Robert.** *War and Change in World Politics.* Cambridge University Press, 1981.

• Discusses the dynamics of power transitions and their impact on global stability. Find it in the library.

Weaponized Migration

7. **Greenhill, Kelly M.** *Weapons of Mass Migration: Forced Displacement, Coercion, and Foreign Policy.* Cornell University Press, 2010.

• Analyzes how states and non-state actors use migration as a tool of coercion in international relations. Find it in the library.

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8. **Greenhill, Kelly M.** "When Migrants Become Weapons: The Long History and Worrying Future of a Coercive Tactic." *Foreign Affairs*, March/April 2022.

• Explores historical and contemporary instances of migration being used as a geopolitical strategy.

9. **"Weaponisation of Migrants? Migrants as a (Political) Weapon and the EU Regulatory Response: What to Expect Now?"** *EJIL: Talk!*, December 2021.

• Discusses the EU's response to the instrumentalization of migration by third countries. Link

Articles from Foreign Affairs Magazine

10. **Farrell, Henry, and Newman, Abraham L. "**Weaponized Interdependence: How Global Economic Networks Shape State Coercion." *Foreign Affairs*, July/August 2019.

• Examines how states exploit global networks for strategic advantage.

11. **Haass, Richard N.** "The Age of America First: Washington's Flawed New Foreign Policy Consensus." *Foreign Affairs*, September/October 2021.

• Analyzes the implications of the U.S.'s shift towards unilateralism. Link

12. **Rodrik, Dani, and Walt, Stephen M.** "How to Build a Better Order: Limiting Great Power Rivalry in an Anarchic World." *Foreign Affairs*, July/August 2021.

• Proposes strategies for constructing a more stable international order.

Reports from Think Tanks

13. **"The Instrumentalization of Migration."** Netherlands Institute of International Relations 'Clingendael', December 2022.

• Investigates how migration is used as a tool for political leverage. Link

14. **"NATO Global Partnerships: Strategic Opportunities and Imperatives in a Globalized World."** Atlantic Council, May 2012.

• Discusses NATO's role and partnerships in addressing global security challenges. Link

15. **"Geopolitics and International Security."** Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), November 2024.

• Analyzes current geopolitical trends and their implications for international security. Link

16. **"Migration: Latest Challenges."** European Parliament Think Tank, November 2021.

• Provides insights into recent migration trends and policy responses in Europe. Link