Spring 201

PSCI 4173 International Organization

MoWeFr 1:00 PM - 1:50 PM

HLMS 211

Since WWII, states have created and acted through multiple international organizations. There have been debates regarding why states create and join international organizations and whether these institutions help solve global problems and how much. The main focus of the course will be on developing a theoretical and practical understanding of international organizations.



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*The first-half of the semester will be devoted to conceptual and theoretical understandings of what are international organizations, why states create these organizations, what role they play in solving global problems, and whether such institutions do or do not produce desired outcomes and why.

*In the second-half of the semester, we will survey how international governance has evolved in four different areas—peace and security (e.g. United States Security Council, North Atlantic Treaty Organization), the international economy (e.g. World Trade Organization, International Monetary Fund, World Bank), the environment (e.g. Greenpeace), and human rights and migration (e.g. United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, International Organization for Migration)—and