

**ELTE TáTK international studies master's
degree thesis requirements
for students admitted after 2019**

**Thesis requirements
Substantive requirements**

Abstract:

- **length: 300 (+/- 50) words**

Introductory chapter

- indicating the topic, justifying the choice of topic in the light of the literature,
- the hypothesis, question or formulation of the examined problem related to the topic of the author
- methodology,
- description of the structure of the thesis.

An explanation of the topic divided into main-, sub-, and general titles: the breakdown can be done according to individual issues or temporality,

- outline the theoretical framework of the topic and interpret the concepts used in the processing
- the author of the thesis must have a thorough knowledge of literature on the topic, and if he / she deems it necessary, a detailed literature review may also be included
- the confirmation or refutation of the hypothesis may belong to the main part of the thesis, but it can also be included in the conclusion

Conclusion

- conclusions: the confirmation or refutation of the hypothesis
- difference to previous research results or their confirmation

Formal requirements

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- Table of content (in the beginning of the thesis)
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 - 2.5 cm margins
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(7) On the International Studies Master's Degree course

- a) the final examination consists of two parts:
 - aa) the student defends the degree thesis against the opponent's report and answers the questions in connection with the degree thesis and the general questions on the subject matter. The defending of the degree thesis is graded on a five-grade scale by the committee;
 - ab) the student picks an item from the basic and core module and one from the items of the specialisation. For working on the question, the final examination committee provides proper time. For the two questions the committee gives a grade on five-scale, this is the grade for the theoretical question;
- b) the result of the final examination is the average of three grades, rounded to two decimals: the grade for the degree thesis, for the defending and for the theoretical question;
- c) the rating of the degree certificate is the same as the grade of the final examination.

**FINAL EXAM QUESTIONS INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS MA FOR STUDENTS
STARTING IN ACADEMIC YEAR 2019/2020**

I. CORE MATERIAL – QUESTIONS TO ALL MASTER STUDENTS

1. Institutions and human rights protection

- What is the general idea of human rights? (How) do they exist? What challenges and criticisms have been voiced regarding the normative grounds, universalism, and effectiveness of human rights?
- Discuss the UN system of human rights protection.
- Regional system of human rights protection, select one:
 - Council of Europe OR
 - The European Union and human rights OR
 - The Inter-American System of Human rights protection OR
 - ASEAN and its human rights implications OR
 - The African system of human and people's rights AND The Arab Charter on Human Rights, Arab Human Rights Committee (these two are under one since there is not so much)

Literature:

Nickel, James, "Human Rights", *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Summer 2019 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <<https://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2019/entries/rights-human/>>

Engstrom, P. (2017, December 22). Human Rights: Effectiveness of International and Regional Mechanisms. Oxford Research Encyclopedia of International Studies. <http://oxfordre.com/internationalstudies/view/10.1093/acrefore/9780190846626.001.0001/acrefore-9780190846626-e-214>

Moeckli, Daniel; Shah, Sangeeta; Sivakumaran, Sandesh; Harris, David; (eds.) - International Human Rights Law – Oxford University Press 2018, relevant chapters

2. Democracy interpretations from the 19th till the 21st century

- What similarities and differences describe different democracy interpretations if we examine them from the perspective of key concepts of democracy (representation, participation, majority, consensus)?
- What is democratization, what are its specificities? To what extent can Huntington's wave theory be considered valid in light of the developments of the 21st century, considering the global situation of democracy?
- How do the ideas and practices of liberal constitutionalism and democracy interact (on the basis of Bernan, Hobson and Zakaria)?

Literature:

Bernan, Sheri (2017): The Pipe Dream of Undemocratic Liberalism. in: *Journal of Democracy*, Vol. 28. No. 3. July 2017, pp. 29-38.

Birch, Anthony (2007): *The Concepts and Theories of Modern Democracy*. Routledge. 3rd Edition.

Diamond, Larry – Plattner, Marc. F. (eds., 2015): *Democracy in Decline?* Johns Hopkins University Press, Baltimore, Maryland.

Hobson, Christopher (2012): Liberal democracy and beyond: extending the sequencing debate, in: *International Political Science Review*, Vol. 33. No. 2, pp. 441-454.

Huntington, Samuel (1991): *The Third Wave. Democratization in the Late Twentieth Century*. University of Oklahoma Press.

Zakaria, Fareed (1997): The Rise of Illiberal Democracy, in: *Foreign Affairs*, Vol. 76, No. 6 (Nov-Dec., 1997), pp. 22-43.

3. Europe as a political concept

- Unity and diversity in European history
- The changing nature of European order in history
- The political concept of Europe

Literature:

Kissinger, Henry: World Order. London: Allen Lane, 2014. 11-95 [Europe: The Pluralistic International Order; The European Balance-of-Power System]

Kubicek, Paul: European Politics. 2nd ed. London, New York: Routledge, 2017. 1-27 [Introduction: What is Europe?]

Triandafyllidou, Anna – Gropas, Ruby: What is Europe? London: Palgrave, 2015. 23-89 [The Changing Shape of Europe; Visions of a United Europe] and 259-275 [Europe is...]

4. Dynamics and challenges in contemporary European politics

- Social cleavages and political structures in modern European politics
- Key dynamics of change in contemporary European politics
- Political parties and electoral behavior in contemporary European politics

Literature

Gallagher, Michael – Laver, Michael – Mair, Peter: Representative Government in Modern Europe. 5th ed. Maidenhead: McGraw-Hill, 2011. 278-325 [Cleavage Structures and Electoral Change]

Kubicek, Paul: European Politics. 2nd ed. London, New York: Routledge, 2017. 265-307 [Political culture and political behavior]

5. European integration and disintegration

- The idea and visions of European integration
- The multiple crises of the European Union in the past decade
- Theories of European disintegration

Literature

McCormick, John: European Union Politics. Basingstoke, New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2011. 11-26 [Understanding integration]

Triandafyllidou, Anna – Gropas, Ruby: What is Europe? London: Palgrave, 2015. 61-89 [Visions of a United Europe]

Vollaard, Hans: European Disintegration. A Search for Explanations. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2018. 227-252 [Disintegration or Not?]

Webber, Douglas: European Disintegration? The Politics of Crisis in the European Union. London: Red Globe Press, 2019. 19-55 [Explaining European Integration and Disintegration]

6. European Union institutions and their functioning

- The nature of the EU political system
- Overview of key EU institutions
- The way of making EU policies

Literature

Corbett, Richard – Peterson, John – Kenealy, Daniel: The EU's Institutions. In: Kenealy, Daniel – Peterson, John – Corbett, Richard (eds.): The European Union. How Does It Work? 5th ed. Oxford: University Press, 2018. 49-74

Hix, Simon – Høyland, Bjørn: The Political System of the European Union. 3rd ed. Basingstoke, New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2011. 1-18 [Introduction: Explaining the EU Political System]

Kenealy, Daniel – Hayes-Renshaw, Fiona: How Policies Are Made. In: Kenealy, Daniel – Peterson, John – Corbett, Richard (eds.): The European Union. How Does It Work? 5th ed. Oxford: University Press, 2018. 123-145

7. Security policy

- What is the traditional model of security? (Explain the security dilemma on an empirical example.)
- What is the security concept of the Copenhagen School (CS)? (Explain securitization on the example of migration)
- Discuss one of the topics from the lens of security policy: development policy, the principle of R2P, environmental changes, civil rights and the *surveillance state*.

Literature:

Walt, Stephen M. "The Renaissance of Security Studies." *International Studies Quarterly*, vol. 35, no. 2, 1991, pp. 211–239.

Waltz, Kenneth N. "The Consequences of Anarchy." In: Theory of International Politics. Part I. The Anarchic Structure of World Politics, McGraw-Hill, 1979, pp. 79-106.

Buzan, B; Waever, O and de Wilde, J (1998). Security: A New Framework for Analysis. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner. 1. 2. 8. fejezet

Duffield, M (2005) "Getting Savages to Fight Barbarians: Development, Security and the Colonial Present," *Conflict, Security and Development* (2005) 5:2, 141-159.

Ayoob, M. (1991) The Security Problematic of the Third World, *World Politics*, 43(2), pp. 257–

283. Doyle, MW (2016) The politics of global humanitarianism: The responsibility to protect before and after Libya. *International Politics* 53:14-31.

Jon Barnett and W. Neil Adger, "Climate Change, Human Security, and Violent Conflict," *Political Geography*, vol. 26, no. 6 (2007): 639-655. (17 pp.)

Levy, MA "Is the Environment a National Security Issue?" *International Security*, 20/2, 1995:35-62.
Tabrizi, SJ "At What Price? Security, Civil Liberties, and Public Opinion in the Age of Terrorism", 185- 202 in Cohen, D.B. and Wells, J.W. (eds.) 2004. American National Security and Civil Liberties in the Era of Terrorism. Palgrave Macmillan

8. Theories of international relations: realism vs liberalism and the neo-neo debate

- Compare classic, neo-, and neoclassic realism.
- Introduce the four branches of neoliberalism (interdependence, sociological, republican, institutional). How do they differ from classic liberalism?
- Introduce the neo-neo synthesis. How have the two approaches come closer and what are remaining points of disagreement?

Literature:

Kenneth N. Waltz: "The Origins of War in Neorealist Theory." *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, Vol. 18, No. 4, (Spring, 1988), pp. 615-628.

Waltz, Kenneth N. "The Consequences of Anarchy." In: Theory of International Politics. Part I. The Anarchic Structure of World Politics, McGraw-Hill, 1979, pp. 79-106.

Deudney, Daniel and G. John Ikenberry. (1999) 'The nature and sources of liberal international order,' *Review of International Studies*, 25(2):179-196.

Jervis, Robert (1999): Realism, Neoliberalism, and Cooperation: Understanding the Debate. *International Security* 24 (1): 42-63.

Grieco, JM (1988): „Anarchy and the Limits of Cooperation: A Realist Critique of the Newest Liberal Institutionalism." *International Organization*, Vol. 42, No. 3, (Summer, 1988), pp. 485-507.

Rathbun, Brian (2008), 'A Rose by Any Other Name: Neoclassical Realism as the Logical and Necessary Extension of Structural Realism', *Security Studies*, Vol. 17, No. 2, pp. 294-321.

9. The turn of the theory of international relations after 1989: What novelty has constructivism brought?

- The end of the Cold War as a key event of the IR
- The roots of constructivism in the philosophy of science and the fourth grand debate
- Compare the two versions of constructivism (mainstream and critical)
- Introduce mainstream constructivism on the basis of norms and state identity
- Introduce critical constructivism on the example of securitization

Literature:

Jeffrey T. Checkel (1998): The Constructivist Turn in International Relations Theory (Review Article). *World Politics*, 50: 2, 324-348.

Jutta Weldes (1996): Constructing National Interests. *European Journal of International Relations* 2 no. 3, 275-318.

Guzzini, Stefano (2000), 'A Reconstruction of Constructivism in International Relations' *European Journal of International Relations*, 6: 147-182.

Adler, E. (2012): „Constructivism in International Relations: Sources, Contributions and Debates.” In:

SAGE Handbook of International Relations, ed. by Carlsnaes, W., Risse, T., Simmons, B. A. SAGE Publications, London, 2012, pp. 112-144.

Huysmans, J. (2000): "The European Union and the securitization of migration." *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies* 38.5 (2000): 751-777.

Fierke, Karin M. "Multiple identities, interfacing games: The social construction of Western action in Bosnia." *European Journal of International Relations* 2, no. 4 (1996): 467-497.

10. Critical theories in international relations

- What does critical theory mean in international relations?
- Critique of the notions of state, sovereignty, power, and security
- The transformation of the notion of security after the Cold War

Literature:

Booth, Ken (1999) "Three Tyrannies" in Dunne, Tim and Wheeler, Nicholas J. (eds.) *Human Rights in Global Politics*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), 31-70. Nicholas Onuf, Frank F. Klink: *Anarchy, Authority, Rule. International Studies Quarterly*, 1989, 2: 149-173.

BUZAN, BARRY (1997) "Rethinking Security after the Cold War." *Cooperation and Conflict* 32, 1: 5– 28.

11. Foreign policy decisionmaking

- What are the limits of rational decisionmaking?
- Does state's morality differ from that of the individual?
- What does Putnam mean by two-level games? What role does the media play in this?

Graham T. Allison (1969) Conceptual Models and the Cuban Missile Crisis, *The American Political Science Review*, Volume 63, Issue 3: 689-718.

Robert D. Putnam (1998) and Domestic Politics: The Logic of Two-Level Games, *International Organization*, Vol. 42, No. 3, pp. 427-460.

Stephen A. Garrett (1995) Political Leadership and "Dirty Hands": Winston Churchill and the City Bombing of Germany, in: *Ethics and statecraft : the moral dimension of international affairs*, Cathal J. Nola (eds.), Greenwood Press

Reinhold Niebuhr (1958/2001) *Moral Man and Immoral Society, A Study in Ethics and Politics*, Westminster John Knox Press, chapter 4 (pp. 83-113.) and chapter 10 (pp. 257-278).
Thomas C. Schelling (1967) *Strategy of Conflict*, Harvard University Press. pp. 3-53.

Brandon Rottinghaus (2008) Presidential Leadership on Foreign Policy, Opinion Polling, and the Possible Limits of “Crafted Talk”, *Political Communication*, Vol. 25, No. 2: pp. :138–157.

12. Equality

- The theoretical foundations of equality (Aristotle, Marx, Rawls, Dworkin — a selected author)
- Conceptions of distributive equality (libertarianism, utilitarianism, welfare, resources, opportunity — a selected conception)
- Direct and indirect forms of discrimination (ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual identity, disability, age)
- Preferential treatment and allocation of scarce resources

Literature:

Jarlath Clifford, Equality in *The Oxford Handbook of International Human Rights Law*

Stefan Gosepath, Equality in *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*

Michael Sandel, Who Deserves What? —Aristotle, and The Case for Equality — John Rawls in *Justice: What's the right thing to do?*

Equality in *Encyclopedia of Marxism*

Ronald Dworkin, Equality in *Justice for Hedgehogs*

Cases:

1. Brown v Board of Education of Topeka
2. Edwards v A. G. of Canada (Persons)
3. Horváth and Kiss v Hungary
4. Eweida v the United Kingdom

II.A. CRITICAL SECURITY STUDIES SPECIALISATION

1. What makes critical security studies „critical”? What aspects of the traditional understanding of security are under criticism? (refer to at least two critical approaches)

Literature:

- Barry Buzan & Lene Hansen. 2009. *The Evolution of International Security Studies*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), Chapters 1-3.
- Gray, Chris Hables. (2003) Posthuman Soldiers in Postmodern War. *Body & Society* 9:215-26.
- Williams, MC (2008) '(In)Security Studies, Reflexive Modernisation and the Risk Society', *Cooperation and Conflict*, 43:1, 183-213.
- Tickner, J. Ann. 1997. "You Just Don't Understand: Troubled Engagements between Feminists and IR Theorists." *International Studies Quarterly* 41:611-632.
- Jennifer Mitzen, 'Ontological Security in World Politics: State Identity and the Security Dilemma', *European Journal of International Relations*, vol.12, no.3, 2006.
- Sjoberg, L. (2009) 'Introduction to Security Studies: Feminist Contributions', *Security Studies* 18(2): 183-213.

2. What role can language, discourse and rhetoric play in critically engaging the concept of security?

Literature:

- Juha Vuori, 'Illocutionary Logic and Strands of Securitization: Applying the Theory of Securitization to the Study of Non-Democratic Political Orders', *European Journal of International Relations*, vol.14, no.1, 2008.
- Baldwin, D (1997) 'The Concept of Security,' *Review of International Studies*, 23:1 (1997), 5-26
- Jane Cramer, 'Militarized Patriotisms: Why the U.S. Place of Ideas Failed Before the Iraq War', *Security Studies*, vol.16, no.3, 2007.
- Krebs & Patrick Jackson, 'Twisting Tongues and Twisting Arms: The Power of Political Rhetoric', *European Journal of International Relations*, vol.13, no.1, 2007.
- Holger Stritzel, 'Security, the Translation', *Security Dialogue*, vol.42, no.4-5, 2011.
- Olaf Corry, 'Securitization and 'Riskification': Second Order Security and the Politics of Climate Change', *Millennium*, vol.40, no.2, 2012.

3. How does technological change challenge our understanding of the state, sovereignty, security, and democracy?

Literature :

- Amoore, L.: Algorithmic war: Everyday geographies of the war on terror, *Antipode*, 41, 49–69, 2009.
- Ceyhan, A. 2008. Technologization of security: Management of uncertainty and risk in the age of biometrics, *Surveillance & Society* 5, 102–23, 2008.
- Handel, A.: 2011. Exclusionary surveillance and spatial uncertainty in the Occupied Palestinian Territories, in: *Israel/Palestine: Population, Territory and Power*, edited by: Zureik, E., Lyon, D., and Abu-Laban, Y., Routledge, New York, 259-275, 2011.
- Holmqvist, C.: Undoing war: war ontologies and the materiality of drone warfare, *Millennium Journal of International Studies* 41, 535–52, 2013.
- Shaw, I. G. R. Predator empire: the geopolitics of US drone warfare, *Geopolitics*, 18, 536-559, 2013.

4. The role of international organizations in guaranteeing international security (organizations v states, global and regional institutions)

- What are the strengths and weaknesses of intergovernmental organizations?
- How has the role of international organizations evolved since the end of the Cold War globally, in Europe and the Euro-Atlantic area?
- What is the relationship between various international institutions in Europe and the EuroAtlantic area?

Literature:

Fareed Zakaria, The Rise of Illiberal Democracy. Foreign Affairs, November-December 1997, vol. 76, no.

6, 22

p. http://www.closer2oxford.ro/uploads/2012/06/12/The_Rise_of_Illiberal_Democracy.gf1ruw.pdf

John J. Mearsheimer, 1990, Why We Will Soon Miss the Cold War. In: *The Atlantic Monthly*, August, vol.

266, no. 2, pp. 35-50. <http://mearsheimer.uchicago.edu/pdfs/A0014.pdf> The Charter of the United Nations. Preamble, Article 1-2, 23-

54 <https://treaties.un.org/doc/publication/ctc/uncharter.pdf>

The North Atlantic Treaty, 1949, https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natohq/official_texts_17120.htm?

5. The evolution of conflicts in the last three decades. The phases (constituting elements) of the conflict management cycle

- How have international conflicts changed since the end of the Cold War: Which are the main identifiable tendencies?
- Which are the phases of the conflict management cycle? What has led to the conflict management cycle that consists of three phases?
- What risks do weak, failing and failed states carry (nationally and internationally)?

Literature:

Robert I. Rotberg, Failed States, Collapsed States, Weak States: Causes and Indicators 26 p.

Paul Collier, The Bottom Billion: Why the Poorest Countries Are Failing and What Can Be Done about it (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007), pp. 17-75.

http://www.sfu.ca/content/sfu/deanradstudies/events/dreamcolloquium/SpringColloquium/Readings/Readings/_jcr_content/main_content/download_47/file.res/Paul%20Collier

Michael J. Mazarr, The Rise and Fall of the Failed-State Paradigm: Requiem for a Decade of Distraction. Foreign Affairs, January – February 2014, pp. 113-121.

Edward N. Luttwak, Give War A Chance. Foreign Affairs, vol. 78, July – August 1999, pp. 3644.

<https://peacelearner.files.wordpress.com/2010/01/edward-luttwak-give-war-achance1.pdf>

6. Human security and the Responsibility to Protect as means of conflict resolution

- How has human security rearranged the priorities of international security?
- Is it possible to distinguish human security risks from other risks to international security? (E.g. interstate and transnational risks) Please, illustrate it on one security risk of your choice.
- What is the status (legal and in the UN) of the Responsibility to Protect concept?

Literature:

Kofi Annan: The two concepts of sovereignty, Economist, 18 September 1999.

<http://www.economist.com/node/324795>

The Responsibility to Protect: Core Principles. In: The Responsibility to Protect Report of the International Commission on Intervention and State Sovereignty. Ottawa, International Development Research Centre, 2001. pp. xixiii. <http://responsibilitytoprotect.org/ICISS%20Report.pdf>

7. Uncertainty, Insecurity and Risk

- What does 'risk society' mean? What are the 'unknown unknowns' in the international system? Analyse a typical risk in the contemporary international system.
- What is the role of nuclear and traditional arms control in reducing insecurities in the international system?
- Please, describe the development of the field of Peace Studies. How would you explain the lack of „War Studies” as an interdisciplinary field?

Literature

Michael Alles (2009): „Governance in the Age of Unknown Unknowns.” *International Journal of Disclosure and Governance* 6, 85–88

Ulrich Beck (1992): „From Industrial Society to the Risk Society: Questions of Survival, Social Structure and Ecological Enlightenment.” *Theory, Culture & Society*, 9(1), 97–123.

UN Group of Consultants Experts: “Economic and Social Consequences of the Arms Race.” In: Marek Thee (ed.): *Armaments, Arms Control and Disarmament*. UNESCO, 1982. 40–57.

Goldblat, Jozef (2002): *Arms Control, The New Guide to Negotiations and Agreements*. SAGE, London.

Paul Rogers (2013): „Peace Studies.” In: *Contemporary Security Studies*, ed. Alan Collins, Oxford University Press, Oxford. 35–52.

Tarak Barkawi (2011): „From War to Security: Security Studies, the Wider Agenda and the Fate of the Study of War.” *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, 39(3), 701–716.

8. Violence in the International System

- Introduce Galtung's theory about positive and negative peace. What do you know about the concepts of structural and cultural violence?
- How does the UN Charter regulate the use of force? Describe the legitimate and the controversial ways of using force in the international system. What kind of means does the UN Charter mention for the peaceful settlement of international disputes?
- What are nonviolent conflicts? Please, illustrate it on one case of your choice.

Literature

Johan Galtung (1990): „Cultural Violence.” *Journal of Peace Research*, 27(3), 291–305.

Johan Galtung (2008): „Towards a Grand Theory of Negative and Positive Peace: Peace, Security and Conviviality.” In: *A Grand Design for Peace and Reconciliation: Achieving Kyosei in East Asia*, eds.

Murakami, Yoichiro & Schoenbaum, Thomas J. Edward Elgar, Cheltenham, UK, and North Hampton, Massachusetts, USA, 90–106.

The Charter of the United Nations.

Eileen Babbitt: “Conflict Resolution as a Field of Inquiry: Practice Informing Theory.” *International Studies Review*, 13 (2011). 46–57.

Jørgen Johansen: “Nonviolence: More than the Absence of Violence.” In: Charles Webel – Johan Galtung (eds.): *Handbook of Peace and Conflict Studies*. London, New York: Routledge, 2007. 143–159.

9. Gender in Security Studies

- Introduce the ontology, epistemology and methodology of the rationalist, standpoint and poststructuralist perspectives of feminism on IR/Security Studies.
- Introduce one typical issue (e.g. women and violence in terrorist organisations, rape as a weapon of war) in Security Studies where the variable of gender has a specific explanatory value.
- What does the concept of gender mainstreaming mean? Evaluate the development of the theory and the practice of the concept.

Literature

- Lene Hansen (2010): „Ontologies, Epistemologies, Methodologies.” In: *Gender Matters in Global Politics*, ed. Laura J. Shepherd. Routledge, New York. 17–27.
- Laura Sjoberg & Caron E. Gentry (2008): „Reduced to Bad Sex: Narratives of Violent Women from the Bible to the War on Terror.” *International Relations*, 22(1), 5–23.
- Caron Gentry (2009): “Twisted Maternalism: From Peace to Violence.” *International Feminist Journal of Politics*, 11(2), 235–252.
- Inger Skjelsbaek (2001): “Sexual Violence and War: Mapping Out a Complex Relationship.” *European Journal of International Relations*, 7(2), 211–237.
- Carol Cohn (2008): “Mainstreaming Gender in UN Security Policy: A Path to Political Transformation?” In: S. M. Rai – G. Waylen (eds.): *Global Governance*. Palgrave Macmillan, London. 185– 203.

II.B. INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS SPECIALIZATION

1. Human dignity: theoretical approaches

Contemporary approaches to human dignity

Literature:

Matthias Mahlmann, Human Dignity and Autonomy in Modern Constitutional Orders, in *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Constitutional Law*, edited by Michel Rosenfeld and András Sajó, Oxford University Press, 2012, pp. 371–396.

Susanne Baer, Dignity, liberty, equality: A fundamental rights triangle of constitutionalism, *University of Toronto Law Journal*, Vol. 59, No. 4 (Fall 2009), pp. 417–468, only abstract and pp. 456–468.

Philippe-André Rodriguez, Human dignity as an essentially contested concept, *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*, Vol. 28, No. 4 (2015), pp. 743–756.

Oscar Schachter, Human Dignity as a Normative Concept, *American Journal of International Law*, Vol. 77, No. 4 (Oct. 1983), pp. 848–854, only pp. 853–854.

Case

Manuel Wackenheim v France, Communication No 854/1999, U.N. Doc. CCPR/C/75/D/854/1999 (2002).

2. Right to life and human dignity I: Death penalty, Abortion

Death penalty

- Decision No. 23/1990 (X. 31.) of the Hungarian Constitutional Court (summary)
- *Furman v. Georgia*, 408 US 238 (1972).
- *Gregg v. Georgia*, 428 US 153 (1976).
- *Magyar v. Hungary*, App no, 73593/10, 20 May 2014, ECHR.
- *T.P. and A.T. v. Hungary*, App nos 37871/14 and 73986/14, 4 October 2016, ECHR.

Abortion

- *Griswold v. Connecticut*, 381 U.S. 479 (1965).
- *Roe v. Wade*, 410 U.S. 113 (1973).
- Catharine A. MacKinnon, Reflections on Sex Equality under Law, *Yale Law Journal*, Vol. 100, No. 5, (Mar., 1991), pp. 1281–1328 (excerpts).

3. Right to life and human dignity II: Sexual autonomy, Euthanasia / assisted suicide, Terror and law enforcement

Sexual autonomy

- *Goodwin v. the UK* (Grand Chamber), App no 17488/90, 27 March 1996, ECHR
- *Schalk and Kopf v. Austria*, App no 30141/04 (2010).
- *Oliari v. Italy*, App nos 18766/11 and 36030/11 (2015) ECHR
- *Obergefell v. Hodges*, 576 U.S. ____ (2015).
- Shayana Kadidal, Obscenity in the Age of Mechanical Reproduction, *American Journal of Comparative Law*, Vol. 44, No. 2 (Spring, 1996), pp. 353–385, only pp. 353–355 (peep-show case)

Euthanasia / assisted suicide

- Cruzan v. Director, Missouri Department of Health, 497 U.S. 261 (1990)
- Pretty v. United Kingdom, App no 2346/02, 29 April 2002, ECHR.
- Rodriguez [1993] 3 SCR 519. (Canada)
- Airedale NHS Trust v Bland [1993] 1 All ER 821. (Australia)

Terror and law enforcement

- Gäfgen v. Germany (Grand Chamber), App no 22978/05, 1 June 2010, ECHR.
- Aviation Security Act Case, BVerfG, 1 BvR 357/05 of 15 Feb. 2006 (Germany); Bundesverfassungsgericht, Press release No. 11/2006 of 15 Feb. 2006.
- Scott v. Harris, 550 U.S. 372 (2007), with additional commentary and video footage

4. Minority rights I

- The international protection of minority rights: evolution and current state
- Present the main points of critique of international minority rights and the dilemma of individual and collective rights

Literature:

Patrick Macklem, Minority rights in international law, *International Journal of Constitutional Law* 6.3-4 (2008): 531-552.

Will Kymlicka, Interpreting Group Rights, *The Good Society* 6.2 (1996): 8-11.

Will Kymlicka, Do we need a liberal theory of minority rights? Reply to Carens, Young, Parekh and Forst, *Constellations* 4.1 (1997): 72-87.

Cases:

Sandra Lovelace v. Canada, U.N. Doc. Supp. No. 40 (A/36/40) at 166 (Jul. 30, 1981), Human Rights Committee

Ivan Kitok v. Sweden, U.N. Doc. CCPR/C/33/D/197/1985 (Aug. 10, 1988), Human Rights Committee

Sejdic and Finci v. Bosnia and Herzegovina, App. nos. 27996/06 and 34836/06, Grand Chamber judgment of 22 December 2009, ECtHR

5. Minority rights II:

- What are the benefits and the shortcomings of the intersectionality approach?
 - Describe the status and practice of minority rights in the context of EU accession.
- Securitization of minority rights: can security-based arguments be used to limit minority rights?

Literature

Kimberle Crenshaw, Mapping the margins: Intersectionality, identity politics, and violence against women of color, *Stan. L. Rev.* 43 (1990): 1241.

Nancy Ehrenreich, Subordination and symbiosis: Mechanisms of mutual support between subordinating systems, *UMKC L. Rev.* 71 (2002): 251 (Chapter III only)

Gwendolyn Sasse, EU Conditionality and Minority Rights: Translating the Copenhagen Criterion into Policy, EUI Working Paper RSCAS No. 2005/16.

Paul Roe, Securitization and minority rights: Conditions of desecuritization, *Security Dialogue* 35.3 (2004): 279-294.

6. Contemporary challenges of democratic elections

- What are the key substantial and procedural elements of universal suffrage, regarding the international standards and legal practice? (International human rights conventions, case law and some case studies)
- What are the most challenging points of equal suffrage, from legal and political aspects? (Gerrymandering, malapportionment, campaign finance)
- Freedom of speech and elections: campaigns, campaign finances and their political consequences

Literature

James A. Gardner - Guy-Uriel Charles: Election Law in the American Political System. Wolters Kluwer, 2018.

Ray La Raja: Small Change. Money, Political Parties, and Campaign Finance Reform. The University of Michigan Press, 2008.

Primary sources:

Relevant international human rights documents

Hirst v. UK case, European Court of Human Rights

Greens v. UK case, European Court of Human Rights

Scoppola No3. v. Italy case, European Court of Human Rights

Animal Defenders v. UK case European Court of Human Rights

7. Freedom of speech I

- What are the main theoretical foundations and controversies in relation to freedom of expression?
- What are the main models and tests of the limits of freedom of expression, especially in the areas of political speech and hate speech, including speech related to terrorism.

Literature

van Mill, David, "Freedom of Speech", The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (Spring 2015 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL =

<<http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/spr2015/entries/freedom-speech/>>.

Ian Cram, The Danish Cartoons, Offensive Expression and Democracy in Ivan Hare and James Weinstein eds, *Extreme Speech and Democracy*, Oxford University Press, 2009, 310-330.

Barak-Erez, D. and D. Scharia, 2011, Freedom of Speech, Support for Terrorism and the Challenge of Global Constitutional Law", Harvard Law School National Security Journal, Vol2, Issue 1, 21.

Cases:

New York Times Co. v Sullivan, United States Supreme Court

Lingens v Austria, European Court of Human Rights

Jersild v Denmark, European Court of Human Rights
 Brandenburg v Ohio, United States Supreme Court
 Gitlow v New York, US SC
 R.A.V. v City of St. Paul, Minnesota, US SC
 Virginia v Black, US SC
 Lüth-decision, German Federal Constitutional Court,
<https://law.utexas.edu/transnational/foreign-law-translations/german/case.php?id=1369>
 Auschwitzlüge, German Federal Constitutional Court,
<https://law.utexas.edu/transnational/foreign-law-translations/german/case.php?id=621>
 Faurisson v France, UN Human Rights Commission
 Vejdeland v Sweden, European Court of Human Rights

8. Freedom of speech II.

- Freedom of information
- Symbolic speech
- Freedom of assembly
- Freedom of association

Literature

Helen Darbishire: A Right Emerges: The History of the Right of Access to Information and Its Link with Freedom of Expression in Péter Molnár ed, *Free Speech and Censorship around the Globe*, CEU Press, 2014, pp 167-185.

Ute Krüdwagen, 'Political Symbols In Two Constitutional Orders: The Flag Desecration Decisions of the United States Supreme Court and the German Federal Constitutional Court', 19 *Ariz. J. Int'l & Comp. L.* 679 (2002)

Cases:

Magyar Helsinki Bizottság v Hungary, European Court of Human Rights, Grand Chamber judgment

Vajnai v Hungary, European Court of Human Rights

Fáber v Hungary, European Court of Human Rights

Bukta v Hungary European Court of Human Rights

Hess-decision, German Federal Constitutional Court

https://www.bundesverfassungsgericht.de/SharedDocs/Entscheidungen/EN/2009/11/rs20091104_1bvr215008en.html

Vona v Hungary, European Court of Human Rights

Case C-78/18 ECLI:EU:C:2020:476, Court of Justice of the European Union (Grand Chamber) ('Transparency Law')

9. Freedom of religion I. Theoretical approaches

- What are some major theoretical approaches to the relation between religion and state/politics?
- What is toleration? What concepts of toleration are you familiar with?
- What is postsecularism? How authors like Habermas and Taylor see the place of religion and religious arguments in the public sphere and in political discourse?

Eberle, Chris and Cuneo, Terence, "Religion and Political Theory", *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Spring 2015 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/spr2015/entries/religion-politics/>

Michael Walzer, Drawing the Line: Religion and Politics, *Soziale Welt* 49. Jahrg., H. 3 (1998), pp. 295-307

Samual Scheffler, The Good of Toleration, ch 12 in Scheffler, Equality and tradition : questions of moral value in moral and political theory (OUP

2009) <https://as.nyu.edu/content/dam/nyu-as/philosophy/documents/faculty-documents/scheffler/Scheffler-Samuel-The-Good-of-Toleration.pdf>

Ulrike Spohn (2015) A Difference in Kind? Jürgen Habermas and Charles Taylor on Post-secularism, *The European Legacy*, 20:2, 120-135

10. Freedom of religion II: Basic constitutional-legal concepts and models. Religion in schools

- What is freedom of religion? What does the right extend to? What is religion from the perspective of human rights law? What is accommodation in freedom of religion law?
- What are the basic models of church-state relations in comparative perspective?
- Discuss ECHR case law on religion and education (apart from the headscarf controversy)

András Sajó and Renáta Uitz: Freedom of Religion in [The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Constitutional Law](#) Edited by Michel Rosenfeld and András Sajó, 909-922 (OUP 2017)

West Virginia State Bd. of Education v. Barnette (USSC)

Employment Division v Smith (USSC)

Yoder v Wisconsin (USSC)

Folgero and others v Norway (subject „Christianity, religion and philosophy) (ECHR)

Lautsi case(s) (crucifix in classrooms in Italy) (ECHR)

Dojan and others v Germany (mandatory sex education) (ECHR)

Osmanoglu and Kocabas v. Switzerland (ECHR) Application no. [29086/12](#) (mandatory mixed gender swimming lessons)

11. Freedom of religion III:

- headscarf controversies
- religious arbitration and the challenge of legal pluralism
- conscientious objection

Literature

Religious Symbolism and the Resilience of Liberal Constitutionalism: On the Federal German Constitutional Court's Second Head Scarf Decision By Matthias Mahlmann, *German Law Journal* Vol. 16 No. 04, 887. <https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/german-law-journal/article/religious-symbolism-and-the-resilience-of-liberal-constitutionalism-on-the-federal-german-constitutional-courts-second-head-scarf-decision/BDAA2AD890245DA44C543A8068A2F9E1>

Ayelet Schachar, Privatizing Diversity: A Cautionary Tale from Religious Arbitration in Family Law, *Theoretical Inquiries in Law* 9.2 (2008)

https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1151234

Stijn Smet: Conscientious Objection through the Contrasting Lenses of Tolerance and Respect, *Oxford Journal of Law and Religion*, 2019, 8, 93–120

Cases:

Dahlab v Switzerland, European Court of Human Rights
Dogru v France, European Court of Human Rights
Hamidovic v Bosnia and Herzegovina, European Court of Human Rights
S.A.S. v France, European Court of Human Rights
Eweida v UK, European Court of Human Rights

12 International migration and the European Union

- Explain the most important theories of international migration!
- Explain the most important features of EU refugee policy!
- Explain the most important rules of EU immigration policy!

Literature:

Douglas S. Massey, Joaquin Arango, Graeme Hugo, Ali Kouaouci, Adela Pellegrino, J. Edward Taylor: Theories of International Migration: A Review and Appraisal. Population and Development Review, Vol. 19, No. 3 (Sep., 1993), pp. 431-466.

Buonanno, Laurie (2017): The European Migration Crisis. In: Dinan, Desmond – Nugent, Neill – Paterson, William E. szerk.: The European Union in Crisis. London: Palgrave. 100-130.

Daniel Thym: Immigration In: EU Immigration and Asylum Law : A Commentary / Hailbronner, Kay; Thym, Daniel (Eds.). - 2nd edition. - München : C.H. Beck, 2016. - S. 271-299. - ISBN 978-3-406-66653-7

Steve Peers: EU Justice and Home Affairs Law (Non-Civil). In: Evolution of EU Law (Eds. Paul Craig – Grainne de Burca) Oxford: Oxford University Press, Chapter 10. 269-298.

I.I.C. EUROPEAN FOREIGN AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY SPECIALIZATION

1. Basic issues and general logic of development policy; the “blessing” and “cursing” mechanisms of development aid

- What definitions do you know of “development”? How would you define development policy goals in general?
- Why can development aid be a blessing and a curse at the same time? In what conceptual framework can these opposite effects be interpreted?
- Who are the main actors in development policy?

Literature

- DiNitto, Diana M. – Johnson, David H. (2016): Social Welfare. Politics and Public Policy. 8th edition. London: Pearson, 1-13.
- Rist, Gilbert (2008): The History of Development: From Western Origins to Global Faith. 3rd edition. London – New York: Zed Books, 8-18.
- Todaro, Michael P. – Smith, Stephen C. (2015): Economic Development, 12th edition. Boston: Pearson. 9-27.

2. Competing ideologies of development policy and development economics

- Introduce development economics’ classical theories of development!
- Introduce development economics’ structuralist and dependence theories!
- Introduce development policy’s neoliberal and post-neoliberal paradigms!

Literature

- Lancaster, Carol (2006): Foreign Aid: Diplomacy, Development, Domestic Politics. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. 1-24.
- Todaro, Michael P. – Smith, Stephen C. (2015): Economic Development, 12th edition. Boston: Pearson. 118-144.

3. Indicators and institutional conditions of an effective development policy

- Interpret quantifiable goals for development and development policy and list some possible metrics!
- Describe the most important economic and social indicators of development (GDP, GNI, HDI)!
- Summarize the possible role of the state, the market and non-governmental organizations in an effective development policy!

Literature

- Ascher, William - Brewer, Garry D. - Cheema, G. Shabbir - Heffron, John M. (2016): The Evolution of Development Thinking. Governance, Economics, Assistance, and Security. New York: Palgrave Macmillan. 107 - 131.
- Todaro, Michael P. – Smith, Stephen C. (2015): Economic Development, 12th edition. Boston: Pearson. 40-55, 220 - 224, 235 - 237.

4. Typology and critical approaches of international development policy cooperation

- Describe bilateral forms of international development cooperation!
- Describe multilateral forms of international development cooperation!
- Introduce the main critical point in development literature concerning the current system of international development cooperation!

Literature

- Klingebiel, Stephan (2014): Development Cooperation. Challenges of the New Aid Architecture. London: Palgrave Macmillan. 1 - 34.
- Todaro, Michael P. – Smith, Stephen C. (2015): Economic Development, 12th edition. Boston: Pearson. 747-757.

5. The European Union's external relations and external policies

- The development of EC/EU external policies from the 1950s to nowadays
- The nature of EU external relations; the relationship between EU external relations and the foreign policies of the Member States
- The system, institutions and tools of EU external policies

Literature

- Keukeleire, Stephan – Delreux, Tom (2014): The Foreign Policy of the European Union. 2nd edition. Basingstoke, New York: Palgrave Macmillan. 11-60; 116-134
- Vooren, Bart van – Wessel, Ramses A. (2014): EU External Relations Law. Text, Cases and Materials. Cambridge: University Press. 7-54
- Smith, Karen (2014): European Union Foreign Policy in a Changing World. 3. kiad. Cambridge, Malden: Polity. 44-66

6. The European Union's Status in International Law and International Institutions: The Common Foreign and Security Policy

- The Union's legal status according to the Lisbon Treaty
- The Union in multilateral international organisations
- The Common Foreign and Security Policy (including the Common Security and Defence Policy)

Literature

- Keukeleire, Stephan – Delreux, Tom (2014): The Foreign Policy of the European Union. 2nd edition. Basingstoke, New York: Palgrave Macmillan. 156-196; 299-320
- Vooren, Bart van – Wessel, Ramses A. (2014): EU External Relations Law. Text, Cases and Materials. Cambridge: University Press. 1-18; 246-275; 346-437

7. The European Union's International Development and Humanitarian Aid Policy

- Major steps in the development of the Union's international development policy since 1960
- Main characteristics and instruments of the Union's international development and humanitarian aid policies
- The development, framework, present and future of the relations with ACP countries

Literature

- Deliputte, Sarah - Orbie, Jan (2018): EU development policy. In. Hubert Heinelt - Sybille Münch (Eds.): Handbook of European Policies: Interpretive Approaches to the EU. Cheltenham and Northampton: Elgar. 288-305
https://www.eadi.org/typo3/fileadmin/Documents/Publications/Premium_Member_GCGS/2018/Delputte_and_Orbie_2018_-_EU_Development_Policy_-_Abductive_research_strategy.pdf
- Keukeleire, Stephan – Delreux, Tom (2014): The Foreign Policy of the European Union. 2. kiad. Basingstoke, New York: Palgrave Macmillan. 211-218
- Hill, Christopher – Smith, Michael – Vanhoonacker, Sophie (2017): International Relations and the European Union. Oxford: University Press. 292-315
- Vooren, Bart van – Wessel, Ramses A. (2014): EU External Relations Law. Text, Cases and Materials. Cambridge: University Press. 311-345

8. The European Union's International Trade Policy

- The Union as an international economic actor
- The Union's international trade policy: its development, goals, principles, division of competences, and instruments
- The Union in the global arena (and institutions) of trade policy

Literature

- Hill, Christopher – Smith, Michael – Vanhoonacker, Sophie (2017): International Relations and the European Union. Oxford: University Press. 209-262
- Smith, Michael (2016): EU External Relations In. Michelle Cini (Ed.): European Union Politics. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 214-226
- Vooren, Bart van – Wessel, Ramses A. (2014): EU External Relations Law. Text, Cases and Materials. Cambridge: University Press. 276-310

9. The European Union and international migration

- Present an overview of the most important theories of international migration
- Describe the main objectives, principles and instruments of the European Union's asylum and migration policy
- Describe the legal environment of emigration and immigration affecting Hungary in the EU context (Hungarian citizens, EEA citizens, asylum seekers, refugees, beneficiaries of international protection, third-country nationals)

Literature

- Buonanno, Laurie (2017): The European Migration Crisis. In: Dinan, Desmond – Nugent, Neill – Paterson, William E. (ed.): The European Union in Crisis. London: Palgrave. 100-130
- Massey, Douglas S. - Arango, Joaquin - Graeme, Hugo - Kouaouci, Ali - Pellegrino, Adela - Taylor, Edward J. (1993): Theories of International Migration: A Review and Appraisal. Population and Development Review 19(3):431

10. The system of the European Union's internal development policies; the formation and development of cohesion (regional) policy

- Which policy areas and instruments play a key role in the European Union's internal development activities?

- Present the history and evaluation of the European Union's cohesion (regional) policy from the 1950s to the present!
- Present the policy theory approaches applicable to the European Union's cohesion (regional) policy!

Literature

- Buonanno, Laurie – Nugent, Neill (2011): Explaining the EU's Policy Portfolio: Applying a Federal Integration Approach to EU Cohesion Policy. Bruges Political Research Papers No. 20.
- Olsen, Jonathan (2021): The European Union: Politics and Policies. 7th edition. New York: Routledge, 209-215.

11. The system of cohesion (regional) policy of the European Union; the Union budget and the financial absorption of EU funds

- Present the principles EU funding and the main elements of its intervention logic!
- What is the place of the Union's cohesion (regional) policy in the EU budget?
- What do we mean by policy cycle in EU development policy and what are its determinants?

Literature

- EU Learning (2021): EU Funding Opportunities 2021-2027. A Practical Guide. Available: <http://eu-learning.net/download/eu-funding-opportunities-2021-2027-a-practical-guide/>, 12-17.
- Nugent, Neill (2017): The Government and Politics of the European Union. 7. ed. London: Palgrave. 419-432.
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