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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS FINAL EXAMINATION

You will be taking a three-part final examination in this course.

Part 1: True-false questions. The first part of the examination will be made up of a battery of 16-item true-false questions, all on material covered in the third unit of the course. As with your previous examinations, the letter grade you earn on this part of the test will depend on how many items you answer correctly. Students missing up to two will have an A recorded, 3-4 missed items = B; 5-6 missed items = C; 7-8 missed items = D; more than half of the items missed = F. This part of the test is worth 50% of the exam grade.

Part 2: Multiple-choice items. The second part of the exam will consist of 10 multiple-choice items. This part of the test covers ideas from throughout the whole semester. *Each* item you answer will add .25% to your final exam score, and there is no penalty for guessing. This part of the test can add up to 2.5 percent to your final exam grade. You will have up to one hour to complete the first two parts of the test.

Part 3: A long essay written on the topic at the end of this assignment sheet. Your essay will be graded using the same criteria used all term for your in-class essay responses with the important caveat that the organization, degree to which you provide an answer to the whole question, and your quality of evidence should reflect the fact that you have been given the question in advance. This part of the test is worth 50% of the exam grade.

More information on the long essay. You will have the full exam period to take a test that has been designed to be completed in two hours, **so please put some effort into making your handwriting legible.** As long as I will be able to understand what you are writing, do not worry about spelling or grammar issues. You do NOT need to quote material or provide specific citations, but you should reference readings and authors when you can and provide other evidence—especially examples—showing that you have completed course assignments.

You should plan on devoting approximately one hour of the final exam period to writing this essay. You will be allowed to use the outline that you have prepared in advance provided that you adhered to the following:

- *Your essay's preparatory notes are in outline form and address only the essay question listed below.*
- *Your preparatory notes are limited to one side of a single three-by-five-inch notecard or piece of paper cut to this size.*
- *No other materials whatsoever are to be used during the exam, and you must submit your notecard when you turn in the essay. For this part of the examination, you will be provided lined paper.*

Essay topic

Given what you have learned this semester about (1) why individual countries act the way they do, (2) the challenges countries face in working together on serious problems, and (3) several of the main issues shaping international politics presently, to what extent will international relations in the coming decades be more or less peaceful and prosperous?