Upon completion of the course, it is hoped that you will have a richer understanding of the dynamics of late development, of security, and of democracy in the twenty-first century and a skills base upon which to build when conducting future research or practicing in the field.

This course will address questions such as:

- What development strategies/models of development have been employed by late industrializing states since World War II?
- What was the non-aligned movement and what happened to it?
- How did the security concerns of late industrializing states evolve after the fall of the Soviet Union?
- How have LIC’s national security strategies changed since 9/11/01?
- How have LICs been affected by the international monetary system that was largely structured by the United States and Great Britain after WWII?
- How have the rules of international trade and international finance evolved?
- What role has the United Nations played in a world often governed by super powers?
- How are regional and multilateral organizations changing international politics among states?
- How are not-for-profits/non-governmental organizations (NGOs) viewed by late industrializing states?

Students will be required to attend and participate in class, to complete assignments, and to attend any scheduled talks or movies that take place in the evening. Grades will be based on the following percentages:
General participation including speakers, cases, movies, group participation, and class (you cannot participate if you do not attend class) 15%
Policy Memo 15%
Essay annotated bibliography 15%
Two response postings on Blackboard: one on guest speaker, one on documentary (5% each) 10%
Essay 15%
Final exam 30%.

If you travel with a dance troupe or sports team/club and expect to occasionally miss a class, please advise the professor in writing/email in advance of your absence. If you have a disability that needs accommodation please notify the professor and arrange to present documentation from the Oberlin College Office of Disability Service.

There is no text book for this course. You will find your readings posted on blackboard. Your password is polt221. If you do not know how to log on to blackboard please consult a computer assistant.

Each of your course assignments must be submitted in hardcopy. Additionally, you must submit an electronic copy of each of your assignments on blackboard within 20 minutes of the assignment deadline.

You are responsible for the information in the readings and also for class and related material from speakers, documentaries, etc. The day each reading is due is noted on your syllabus. When the material is presented in class that is not included in the reading, you are responsible for that material as well. If you miss class get the notes or you will not be able to offer complete answers to questions asked on the final exam.

Please familiarize yourself with the Oberlin Honor Code which guides your work in this and all your classes. http://www.oberlin.edu/students/student_pages/honor_code.html

You are responsible for researching and writing your own assignments. However, you may share resource leads, discuss the readings, and help one another to edit each other’s work. You may also/are encouraged to consult with the college writing tutors (you will find their hours posted at Mudd library). Remember that using another author’s work without proper attribution is criminal theft.

According to the Oberlin College honor code, you must inform the student honor committee if you have knowledge of any infraction of the honor code. The honor code applies to all work, not just exams. You must sign your work
as indicated on the honors website before submitting it. You may type the inscription for an electronic submission.

As is normal college policy, you may not alter the date or time of your final exam to accommodate travel plans. I CANNOT reschedule your exam for ANY reason. Only Dean Kathryn Stuart (Dean of Studies) can alter your exam time in the case of an exceptional reason (she will not consider it exceptional if you failed to secure a plane ticket after all of your exams are completed). Please check the college exam schedule of your classes before purchasing airline tickets home. You must take exams at the official times scheduled except when you have a take-home exam and the professor is willing to allow you to turn in the material early. Your scheduled final exam for this class is: Tuesday December 21, 2010 7-9 P.M.

Tuesday September 7, 2010
Overview of the Course
Review of the syllabus
What is political economy?

Thursday September 9, 2010
No class as it is a religious holiday. As a make-up session, you will be required to attend one of the lectures in the Oil and International Relations one-credit course being offered by the Politics Department this semester. The speakers and times are listed on blackboard. Under assignments in blackboard there is a response guide that you will complete and post on backboard in which you evaluate the material in the lecture that you attended.

Tuesday September 14, 2010
An Introduction to post-World War II theories of political economy
Thursday September 16, 2010
Mexico Part One
Pamela K. Starr, “The Mexican Mid-Term Elections: PRI Resurgent and Democracy Strengthened?” July 2003, Volume 2, Number 7 *FOCAL POINT Spotlight on the Americas*

Tuesday September 21, 2010
Mexico Part Two
Mexico’s Labor Struggles
http://www.ueinternational.org/Mexico_info/mlna.php

Thursday September 23, 2010
Mexico Part Three
State Department Background Note, Mexico
Alicia Lozano “Mexican Cabinet Shakeup” July 15, 2010

Tuesday September 28, 2010
Issues of Democratization
Barbara Geddes, “What Do We Know About Democratization After Twenty Years? Annual Review Political Science. 1999. 2:115.44
Thursday September 30, 2010
Discussion about class assignments:
writing an annotated bibliography;
writing a policy memo;
writing a political essay

(Reminder: the policy memo is due Monday Oct.11, 2010)

Tuesday October 5, 2010
Democratization and Islam in the Arab World
Rex Brynen, Bahgat Korany, and Paul Nobles, eds. Political Liberalization & Democratization in the Arab World (Boulder: Lynne Reiner, 1995) pp 3-27;
Lisa Anderson, Democracy in the Arab World: a Critique of the Political Culture Approach. pp. 77-111; Mustapha Kamel al-Sayyid, The Concept of Civil Society and the Arab World. Pp. 131-147. (We are reading three of sixteen chapters.)

Thursday October 7, 2010
Morocco Part One

Policy memo due at 5pm Monday October 11, 2010
Hardcopy and electronic copies are due.

Tuesday October 12, 2010
Morocco Part Two

Thursday October 14, 2010
Morocco Part Three
Souad Eddouada, Feminism and Politics in Moroccan Feminist Non-Governmental Organisations (paper presented).
Mona Lena Krook, “Reforming Representation: The Diffusion of Candidate
Gender Quotas Worldwide” Politics & Gender, 2 (2006), 303–327
Les Campbell, Democracy in the Middle East and North Africa (3pages)

Tuesday October 19, 2010
Morocco Part Four
First:
http://www.mena-electionguide.org/grouped.aspx/19/Morocco/10/Political%20Parties%20and%20Candidates

Then on blackboard:
Morocco Update from the European Forum for Democracy and Solidarity

Thursday October 21, 2010
South Africa Part One

Fall Recess
October 26, 2010 to October 28, 2010

Tuesday November 2, 2010 Election Day
Election Day – Documentary
Each semester, I show a documentary the first class after fall recess. This year, some of you may be working on election day as it comes just after fall recess. You will need to borrow the dvd/cd at a later date and view it on your own time if you are absent due to election work or for other reasons. On blackboard you will find a reaction form that you need to complete and post.

Thursday November 4, 2010
South Africa Part Two
Tuesday November 9, 2010
South Africa Part Three

Thursday November 11, 2010
South Africa Part Four

Tuesday November 16, 2010
South Africa Part Five
Special issue on President Jacob Zuma by the Concerned Africa Scholars caucus of the African Studies Association
http://concernedafricascholars.org/bulletin/84/

Thursday November 18, 2010
South Korea Part One

Annotated Bibliography due Friday November 19, 2010
Hardcopy and electronic copies are due.

Tuesday November 23, 2010
South Korea Part Two
Kim Hakjoon, *A Brief History of the U.S.-ROK Alliance and Anti-Americanism in South Korea* Shorenstein APARC, Vol. 31 no. 1, page(s) 48 May 2010
Jung Hae Gu and Kim Ho Ki, *Development of Democratization Movement in South Korea* http://democracy.stanford.edu/

Thursday November 25, 2010  Happy Thanksgiving
Tuesday November 30, 2010
South Korea Part Three

Thursday December 2, 2010
South Korea Part Four
Regional Overview this Quarter. Center for Strategic and International Studies
http://csis.org/program/comparative-connections

Tuesday December 7, 2010
South Korea Part Five – South Korea and China
Dr. Jae Ho Chung, *South Korea’s Strategic Thinking toward China From Park Chung Hee to Roh Moo Hyun*. Paper presented at Brookings Institute
David C. Kang “Between Balancing and Bandwagoning: South Korea's Response to China” Journal of East Asian Studies, Jan-April, 2009

Thursday December 9, 2010 wrap up

Essay due Friday December 10, 2010
Hardcopy and electronic copies are due.

Tuesday December 14, 2010 – Classes End wrap up