

## Tamkang University Academic Year 108, 2nd Semester Course Syllabus

Course Title	THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS	Instructor	ALEXANDER PISAREV
Course Class	TRDXB3A DEPARTMENT OF DIPLOMACY AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (ENGLISH-TAUGHT PROGRAM), 3A	Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ General Course</li> <li>◆ Selective</li> <li>◆ One Semester</li> </ul>
Departmental Aim of Education			
To provide students with an understanding of the major theories in diplomacy & international relations and to equip students with practical skills and help them become outstanding members of the diplomatic and international relations community.			
Subject Departmental core competences			
<p>A. Every student will process essential understanding of theories of international relations. (ratio:15.00)</p> <p>B. Every student will have primary perception of current international issues.(ratio:10.00)</p> <p>C. Every student will become capable of Independent thinking and information processing to further improve international relations.(ratio:25.00)</p> <p>D. Every student will process essential knowledge of participation in governmental &amp; non-governmental affairs.(ratio:15.00)</p> <p>E. Every student will display high-level competence in English.(ratio:35.00)</p>			
Subject Schoolwide essential virtues			
<p>1. A global perspective. (ratio:40.00)</p> <p>2. Information literacy. (ratio:30.00)</p> <p>5. Independent thinking. (ratio:30.00)</p>			
Course Introduction	<p>Political reforms in Russia after the fall of the USSR showed that the traditional and semi-traditional categories of “political culture” have a strong influence upon the political process in this country. Identity issue, Russian messianism, the concept of all-mighty state is still alive and utilized by the political elites for their own advantage.</p>		

**The correspondences between the course's instructional objectives and the cognitive, affective, and psychomotor objectives.**

Differentiate the various objective methods among the cognitive, affective and psychomotor domains of the course's instructional objectives.

- I. Cognitive : Emphasis upon the study of various kinds of knowledge in the cognition of the course's veracity, conception, procedures, outcomes, etc.
- II. Affective : Emphasis upon the study of various kinds of knowledge in the course's appeal, morals, attitude, conviction, values, etc.
- III. Psychomotor: Emphasis upon the study of the course's physical activity and technical manipulation.

No.	Teaching Objectives	objective methods
1	1. Understanding the historical-cultural background of the contemporary Russian political society. 2. Understanding of the main theories of contemporary Russian polics. 3. Ability to make critical analysis of primary and secondary sources. 4. Knowledge of the main issues in Russia' s constitution,government and party politics. 5. Through teamwork research organization provide independent operation.	Cognitive

The correspondences of teaching objectives : core competences, essential virtues, teaching methods, and assessment

No.	Core Competences	Essential Virtues	Teaching Methods	Assessment
1	ABCDE	125	Lecture, Discussion, Publication	Testing, Discussion(including classroom and online), Report(including oral and written)

**Course Schedule**

Week	Date	Course Contents	Note
1	109/03/02 ~ 109/03/08	Introduction: Teaching Method and Research Methodology.	
2	109/03/09 ~ 109/03/15	Primary and Secondary Sources on Russian Government and Politics.	
3	109/03/16 ~ 109/03/22	Historical-Cultural Background of Political Reforms in Russia. "West-East Controversy" and Main Schools in the Debate on Russian Historical and Political Transition.	
4	109/03/23 ~ 109/03/29	Political System of Communist Russia.	

5	109/03/30 ~ 109/04/05	Michael Gorbachev' s Policy of "Openness" and Liberalization. Political Reforms in the USSR during "Perestroika."	
6	109/04/06 ~ 109/04/12	President Eltsin' s Economic and Political Reforms in Post-Communist Russia.	
7	109/04/13 ~ 109/04/19	State Building and Party Politics in Russia during the First Decade of the 21st Century.	
8	109/04/20 ~ 109/04/26	Main Characteristics of President Putin' s Political Regime.	
9	109/04/27 ~ 109/05/03	Midterm Exam Week	
10	109/05/04 ~ 109/05/10	Oral Report	
11	109/05/11 ~ 109/05/17	Russian Constitution of 1993.	
12	109/05/18 ~ 109/05/24	Ideologies and Political Parties in Contemporary Russia.	
13	109/05/25 ~ 109/05/31	Main Characteristics of President Putin' s Political Regime.	
14	109/06/01 ~ 109/06/07	State and Oligarchs in Putin' s Russia.	
15	109/06/08 ~ 109/06/14	Western Sanctions against Russia and Russia' s Response.	
16	109/06/15 ~ 109/06/21	Authoritarian and Democratic Tendencies in Politics in Russia.	
17	109/06/22 ~ 109/06/28	Final Exam Week (Date:109/6/18-109/6/24) Final Exam Week (Oral Report)	
18	109/06/29 ~ 109/07/05	Supplementary teaching:Paper Report	
Requirement		Other (Reports) 70% = Paper Report 30% + Oral Presentation 40%	
Teaching Facility		Computer, Projector	
Textbooks and Teaching Materials		Walker, Christopher and Jessika Ludwig (2017). "The Meaning of Sharp Power." Foreign Affairs, November 16. Gurganus, Julia (2017). "Putin' s Populism Trap." Carnegie Moscow Center, November 21.	
References			

Number of Assignment(s)	(Filled in by assignment instructor only)
Grading Policy	<p>◆ Attendance : 30.0 %    ◆ Mark of Usual :        %    ◆ Midterm Exam :        %</p> <p>◆ Final Exam :                    %</p> <p>◆ Other (Reports) : 70.0 %</p>
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