

## Tamkang University Academic Year 109, 1st Semester Course Syllabus

Course Title	RESEARCH METHOD (I)	Instructor	
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>◆ Required</li> <li>◆ One Semester</li> </ul>
Departmental Aim of Education			
<p>To provide students with an understanding of the major theories in diplomacy &amp; international relations and to equip students with practical skills and help them become outstanding members of the diplomatic and international relations community.</p>			
Subject Departmental core competences			
<p>A. Every student will process essential understanding of theories of international relations. (ratio:20.00)</p> <p>B. Every student will have primary perception of current international issues.(ratio:20.00)</p> <p>C. Every student will become capable of Independent thinking and information processing to further improve international relations.(ratio:50.00)</p> <p>E. Every student will display high-level competence in English.(ratio:10.00)</p>			
Subject Schoolwide essential virtues			
<p>1. A global perspective. (ratio:20.00)</p> <p>2. Information literacy. (ratio:40.00)</p> <p>5. Independent thinking. (ratio:40.00)</p>			
Course Introduction	<p>The goal of this course is to guide students to understand how to do a research project on their own. We will discuss major research approaches and methods in political science and international relations. Every student will be required to decide one research topic, and complete a research proposal at the end of this semester.</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	At the end of the semester, each student will be required to complete a research project and prepare a research presentation in the class.	Cognitive

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

No.	Core Competences	Essential Virtues	Teaching Methods	Assessment
1	ABCE	125	Lecture, Discussion, Publication	Study Assignments, Discussion(including classroom and online), Report(including oral and written), Activity Participation

**Course Schedule**

Week	Date	Course Contents	Note
1	109/09/14 ~ 109/09/20	Introduction	
2	109/09/21 ~ 109/09/27	Starting Points	
3	109/09/28 ~ 109/10/04	Preparing: Project Management	Make-up class decided by the teacher
4	109/10/05 ~ 109/10/11	No Class	
5	109/10/12 ~ 109/10/18	Research Questions	
6	109/10/19 ~ 109/10/25	The Literature Review	
7	109/10/26 ~ 109/11/01	Deciding on an Approach	
8	109/11/02 ~ 109/11/08	Research Design	
9	109/11/09 ~ 109/11/15	Research Ethics	
10	109/11/16 ~ 109/11/22	Midterm Exam Week	

11	109/11/23 ~ 109/11/29	The Right Tools and Data Gathering	
12	109/11/30 ~ 109/12/06	Writing the Winning Thesis	
13	109/12/07 ~ 109/12/13	Research Methods in IR	
14	109/12/14 ~ 109/12/20	Class Presentation (I)	
15	109/12/21 ~ 109/12/27	Class Presentation (II)	
16	109/12/28 ~ 110/01/03	Day Off	
17	110/01/04 ~ 110/01/10	Conclusion	
18	110/01/11 ~ 110/01/17	Final Exam Week	
Requirement			
Teaching Facility	Computer, Projector		
Textbooks and Teaching Materials	Thomas, G. (2017). How to Do Your Research Project: A Guide for Students in Education and Applied Social Sciences. London: SAGE Publications.		
References			
Number of Assignment(s)	(Filled in by assignment instructor only)		
Grading Policy	◆ Attendance : 10.0 %   ◆ Mark of Usual : 30.0 %   ◆ Midterm Exam : % ◆ Final Exam : % ◆ Other (Paper & Presentation) : 60.0 %		
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