Small State Studies

A tantárgy kódja: 7NK40NFVA6M
A tantárgy megnevezése (magyarul): Small State Studies
A tantárgy neve (angolul): Small State Studies
A tanóra száma (Előadás + szeminárium + gyakorlat + egyéb): 1 per week (90 min.)
Kreditérték: 3
A tantárgy meghirdetésének gyakorisága: Fall semester
Az oktatás nyelve: English
Előtanulmányi kötelezettségek: None
A tantárgy típusa: English
Tantárgyfelelős tanszék: Nemzetközi Tanulmányok Intézet
A tantárgyfelelős neve: Szalai Máté

A tantárgy szakmai tartalma: The study of small states is usually neglected by IR scholars, since most of the researches focus on more powerful and richer countries. But in the era of globalization and interdependence, the leverage of resource-poor nations have widened. The aim of the course is to fill this theoretical gap and to analyze the unique situation of the small states, the most important opportunities and challenges they face, and the possible strategies they might conduct. The course puts an emphasis on the various mainstream and alternative theories which deal with the interpretation of the specific characteristics of small states.

The course consists of three parts. In the first three sessions introductory lectures will be held with the aim to give the students a proper basis to be able to analyze small states. In the second panel, we will discuss the most important theories about the behavior and the possible strategies of small states. In the third block case studies will be presented by students.

Every lecture will be held in an interactive manner, therefore attendance and participation is required to accomplish the course.

Évközi tanulmányi követelmények: Active participation in the sessions and holding a presentation.

Vizsgakövetelmény: Oral exam.

Az értékelés módszere: 40% exam, 40% presentation and 20% participation in the class.

Tananyag leírása: 1. Introduction. Why do we study small states? The evolution of small state studies.
2. Power and Security in International Relations
3. The possible definitions of small states: quantitative, qualitative methods and others. The determinant factors of the foreign and security policy of a small state: geopolitics, institutions, identities and others.
4. The classical theory of small states from Thucydides to the Twenty-First century: the realist approach.
5. The revision of the classical theory 1: Neoliberalism.
6. The revision of the classical theory 3: Soft power, virtual enlargement and subtle power.
7. The revision of the classical theory 4: Constructivism.
8. Case studies 1: The innovative foreign policy of Qatar

Órarendi beosztás: Monday 17:20-18:50 (Room 415 in New Building);

Kompetencia leírása: During the course students will acquire the analytical tools and the innovative scientific approaches which are necessary to conduct a research on small states. Viewing international relations from such new angle will improve the ability of students to use various analytical frameworks and competing ideas.

Félévközi ellenőrzések: None

A hallgató egyéni munkával megoldandó feladatai: Students are obligated to participate in the sessions and to prepare to hold a presentation about a chosen small state.

Szak neve: International Relations MA

Irodalomjegyzék:
Kötelező irodalom:


Ajánlott irodalom:

A tantárgy oktatói: