

UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL STUDIES
TERM : FALL 2009 - WINTER 2010

COURSE #: POLS 3520 **SECTION:** A01 **CRN:** 10933/20859 **CREDIT HOURS:** 6

COURSE TITLE: Canadian Foreign Defence Policy (6)

PROFESSOR/INSTRUCTOR:

FORMAT: Seminar

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Course Objectives and Description

This course explores Canada's place in the international system. It addresses the main aspects of Canada's behaviour in the world, domestic and international influences on Canadian foreign policy. The course discusses certain historical legacies and continuities in Canadian foreign policy, dominant ideas and societal influences that have shaped it. The place and effects of important foreign policy makers, pressures from dominant powers, and provincial influences on international policy making is addressed in conjunction with Canadian priorities in foreign, security, and defence issues.

The first part of the course is based on Nossal's book and recent government policy papers. The second part is a collection of case studies from more recent Canadian efforts in related global or regional issues. The format of the course in the fall term will be a series of lectures and AV presentations. In the winter term we will have a series of presentations by students. The presentations will be guided by the assigned readings, but there will be a requirement of the presenters using at least two outside sources (academic books and journal articles, government documents, publications by international organizations and think tanks, etc.).

ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING

Presentation	10%
Research paper	25%
Fall term exam	20%
Book review	15%
Final exam	30%

GRADING SCALE

A+	=	90-100
A	=	80-89
B+	=	75-79
B	=	70-74
C+	=	65-69
C	=	60-64
D	=	60-59
F	=	0-49

REQUIRED TEXT(S):

1. Kim Richard Nossal, *The Politics of Canadian Foreign Policy*.
2. Angel articles as assigned
3. A reserve article
4. Web-based publications

Books to Review

Rob Huebert, *Thawing Ice – Cold War*

James Fergusson, *The International System, Canada, Armed Forces and Aerospace Power* **OR**

Jacoby and Kilic, *Maple Sands: Canada-Middle East Relations During the Chretien Era*

Recommended

Brian W. Tomlin et al, *Canada's International Policies*, Oxford University Press.

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