

THE INSTITUTE OF ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL STUDIES

CAMBRIDGE

GEOPOLITICS in the 21st CENTURY

Week 1	Lecture Seminar	The strategic environment in the 21 st . century The proliferation of state and non-state actors
Week 2	Lecture Seminar	International law and the search for world order How can state sovereignty and self-determination be reconciled?
Week 3	Lecture Seminar	The end of classical interpretations of international law The changing role of international law in world politics
Week 4	Lecture Seminar	The rise of rogue states and the threat to world order Arms control or pre-emption?
Week 5	Lecture Seminar	Can Arab and Islamic states be reformed? The fragmentation of the Islamic World
Week 6	Lecture Seminar	What is the role of NATO, the UN, and the “Coalitions of the willing” in dealing with international and intra-state conflicts? The role of security institutions
Week 7	Lecture Seminar	Towards superpower Europe? What is the future of the European Union: further integration or fragmentation?
Week 8	Lecture Seminar	Who will be the new hegemons? Geopolitics: Russia, China, India, Japan, and Germany
Week 9	Lecture Seminar	Collapsing states and state building: Iraq and Afghanistan etc. What can be done and by whom to achieve state transformation?
Week 10	Lecture Seminar	The Rise of trans-national terrorism What can be done, and by whom, to deal with global terrorism?
Week 11	Lecture Seminar	The maintenance of international order: the next twenty years The role of the great powers: conflict or harmony
Week 12	Final papers	

READING LIST

Bobbitt, Philip	Terror and Consent
Bobbitt, Philip	The Shield of Achilles
Bull, Hedley	The Anarchical Society
Buzan, Barry	People, State & Fear
Coker, Christopher	War in an Age of Risk
Cooper, Robert	The Breaking of Nations
Emmott, Bill	Rivals: How the Power Struggle between China, India & Japan will shape our next decade
Kennedy, Paul	Preparing for the 21 st . Century
Lucas, Edward	The New Cold War
Nye, Joseph	Bound to Lead: the Changing Nature of American Power
Shawcross, William	Allies
Williams, G.L.	International Terrorism and the Failure of the International Response (see GLW)
Williams, G.L. & Jones B.J.	NATO and the Transatlantic Alliance in the 21 st Century: the Twenty Year Crisis
The Economist Quality newspapers	

METHODS OF ASSESSMENT

Seminar discussion

Two essays of at least 2500 words

The first to be submitted at the end of week 5

The second at the end of week 12