War and Peace Studies

Final state examination topics

Topics and compulsory literature

1. How essential factor of international relations is war?
2. How was the changing nature of warfare affecting international relations?
3. Elaborate on *state* as a factor of international system and IR
4. How important factors and analytical tools of IR are nationalism and revolution?
5. Elaborate on changing nature of war and peace from ancient times until present.
6. How has the last century (since 1914) changed the nature of war and peace?
7. How have the methods of resolution of conflicts between states been evolving?
8. What are the conditions for a stable peace settlement? What, on the other hand, are factors that rarely lead to a stable settlement? Name historical and recent examples.
9. What are the key differences between interstate and intrastate conflicts in terms of origins, actors, process and methods of resulution? Name historical and recent examples.
10. Has the UN been a successful actor in resolving conflicts (both interstate and intrastate) in history and recently?

Compulsory literature:

* 1. Acharya, Amitav – Barry Buzan, 2019. *The Making of Global International Relations. Origins and Evolution of IR at its Centenary*. Cambridge – New York: Cambridge University Press.
  2. DeFronzo, James. 2015. *Revolutions and revolutionary movements*. 5th ed. Boulder (Colo.): Westview Press (parts are compulsory).
  3. Hobsbawm, Eric J. 1990. *Nations and nationalism since 1780. Programme, myth, reality*. 2nd ed. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
  4. Malia, Martin. 2006. *History’s Locomotives. Revolutions and the Making of the Modern World*. New Haven – London: Yale University Press.
  5. Naimark, Norman M. 2017. *Genocide: A World History*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
  6. Walzer, Michael. 2015. *Just and unjust wars: a moral argument with historical illustrations*. 5th ed. New York: Basic Books.

Note:

Students are expected to offer their own analysis based on courses of the program, compulsory and recommended literature, and independent study. Following features will be assessed: coherence and logic of the presentation, ability to analyze given phenomena with references to examples and established scholarly literature.