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Title: Sovereignty, Conflict and the International Order

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Owning School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science Teaching School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science

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Academic Credit Total

Level: FHEQ6 Value: 20 Delivered 35

Hours:

Total Private

Learning 200 Study: 165

Hours:

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours	
Lecture	11	
Online	2	
Workshop	22	

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short	Description	Weighting	Exam
	Description		(%)	Duration
Test	AS1	Gobbet Test 1.5 hours. Choose two from six examples.	40	1.5
Essay	AS2	Essay 2500 Words. Choose from six options (2 questions per case study).	60	

Aims

- 1. To enable students to evaluate and critique how states and non-state actors interact with each other in the international arena through applying theory and examining case studies.
- 2. To examine how the principle of state sovereignty has shaped the behavior of states and non-state actors in the twentieth century.
- 3. To examine the grounds on which state sovereignty have been challenged by international and non-state actors, and how successfully.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- Evaluate and critique how states and non-state actors interact with each other in the international arena through applying theory and examining case studies
- 2 To examine how the principle of state sovereignty has shaped the behaviour of states and non-state actors in the twentieth century
- To examine the grounds on which state sovereignty have been challenged by international and non-state actors, and how successfully

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

Gobbet Test 1 2

Essay 2500 Words 1 2 3

Outline Syllabus

Topics include:

- International political system, theories and the various actors involved
- Pacific Island rivalry: examines the sovereignty disputes between the US and the UK over certain Pacific Islands during WWII and its aftermath
- International humanitarian law: examines the impact of IHL on state behaviour during war
- Sovereignty and warfare in post-colonial Africa: discussing the way in which international political norms and ideologies shaped the changing character of warfare in Africa from c.1960.

Learning Activities

3 hr workshops

Notes

This module examines a series of topics that help understand the world in which we live in and the way in which it operates. In particular, it examines how states and non-state actors interact with each other and with international institutions and international normative behaviour. It is a research-driven module as the topics discussed are based on the research interests of the academics teaching on the module. The module also discusses, through some of the topics, the different theories that can be applied to help understand why the world is as it is.