

**International Relations (IR)- Sec A, B (SP-2023)**

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| **Course Code-** | **203** |
| **Class room**  |  |
| **Timings (Monday to Friday)** |  |
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**Brief Introduction of Module-**

An introduction to contemporary analysis of international relations. Students will learn major theories of international relations and apply them to understand international situations and issues in the modern world. Emphases are on clearly comprehending the relationship between international conflicts and cooperation and on recognizing the shift from “internationalization” to “globalization”. Extensive use of internet information, articles from professional journals and newspapers will enable students to update information about imminent international issues today and to think about them critically.

**Course Objectives-**

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate comprehension of theories of international relations including realism, idealism, liberalism, neorealism, integrationism, interdependence, dependency, world system and regime;

2. Tell exact locations of major countries on a world map and explain what problems those countries are facing;

3. Demonstrate understanding of the causes and processes of modern international issues;

4. Differentiate the concept of internationalization from that of globalization;

5. Skillfully use extensive sources of information including internet, government publications, professional journals, and newspaper;

6. Demonstrate critical thinking skills through research paper writing and discussion.

**Topics-**

**Course topics will include the following:**

1. What is international relations?

2. Theories of international relation

3. Brief history of modern international relations

4. National perspectives of different nations

5. Power

6. Balance of power

7. International security

8. Principal causes of war

9. International political economy

10. International trade & monetary system

11. International law

12. International organization

13. International integration and transnational participation

14. Future world order

**Method of Instruction-**

1. Lecture

2. Discussion

3. Group work

4. Video

**Types of Assignments-**

1. Short essays

2. Group research paper

3. Oral report

4. International news clip-outs

**Sample Text:**

1. Understanding International Conflicts by Joseph S. Nye, Jr.

2. The Globalization of World Politics by John Baylis and Steve Smith, eds.