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**Objectives of the Course:**

This course will introduce students to the field of conflict analysis and resolution. It will examine definitions of conflict and diverse views of its resolution. It also explores thinking about human behaviour and social systems as they relate to the origins of conflict and to the role of conflict in violent and peaceful social change. Appropriate responses to conflict at interpersonal, intergroup, industrial, communal, and international levels are also considered.

**Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:
1. Argue and present an analysis and evaluation of various conflict theories.
2. Assess and critically analyze definitions of conflict and diverse views of its resolution.
3. Appraise and assess human behavior and social systems as they relate to the origins of conflict and to the role of conflict in violent and peaceful social change.
4. Analyze and critically reflect upon appropriate responses to conflict at interpersonal, intergroup, industrial, communal, and international levels.
### Course Contents:

1. Conflict vs. Order in world politics: Theories and approaches
2. Is there an enduring logic of conflict?
3. From the History of Thucydides: “The Melian dialogue” and “The Funeral Oration of Pericles”
4. Some basic narrative about the concept of conflict in world politics: anarchy, balance of power, containment, security dilemma, arms control, defensive and offensive postures, status quo vs. revisionist states, etc.
5. Various forms of conflict in world politics: war, revolution, sectarian violence, ethic conflict, terrorism, organized crime, etc
6. The international system and levels of analysis
7. The origins of “great wars”
8. Self-defense, alliances and collective security regimes
9. International Intervention
10. International Mediation
11. World order: “Old” and “new” world order?

### Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Discussion, Presentation and Assignments

### Assessment Methods:

Participation, Review Essay, Project and Final Exam

### Required Textbooks/Reading:


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Waltz, Kenneth (1959), Man the State and War. New York: Columbia University Press.