**Course Code**  
IREL-405  

**Course Title**  
Case Studies in Conflict Analysis  

**ECTS Credits**  
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**Objectives of the Course:**
In this course the student will be given the opportunity to work in the field on a case study of current significance to contemporary International Relations. Case studies will be drawn from the areas and regions of special interest on the part of the lecturers involved with the program.

**Learning Outcomes:**
After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:
1. Argue and present an analysis and evaluation of particular cases of domestic and international conflict.
2. Illustrate independent research skills on certain cases of domestic and international conflict.
3. Report on and illustrate in-depth understanding of at least 3 cases.
4. Illustrate knowledge of cases of conflict from the wider global perspective.
5. Appraise the role of international mediation in conflict resolution.
6. Assess and appraise the impact of geo-historical contexts on the evolution of particular conflicts.
7. Illustrate a deep understanding of the various dimensions of conflict (political, social, economic, humanistic, environmental, etc) and their impact on the evolution, stagnation and resolution of particular conflicts.
**Course Contents:**

1. Images of Conflict/Theories of War
2. Bridging theory and reality
3. Perspective and methodological devices on cases of conflict
4. The Origins of WWI and WWII
5. The origins of the Cold War
6. The crisis in Kosovo 1999-2009
7. The Cyprus Conflict 1960-1974
8. The intervention of Russia in Georgia in 2008
10. The Iraq War 2003
11. The US “war on terror” 2001-
12. The Blockade of Berlin
13. The Cuban Missile Crisis
14. Israel and the bomb
15. Iran and N. Korea in the pursuit of nuclear technology

**Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

- Lectures, Discussion, Presentation and Assignments

**Assessment Methods:**

- Participation, Review Essay, Project and Final Exam

**Required Readings:**


(Students are provided with a package of readings on the cases to be discussed in class)

**Recommended Textbooks/Reading:**


