

Second Year World Affairs Course Outline

Course Description

This course is designed to introduce students to a wide range of contemporary issues. Students will develop their conversation, comprehension, discussion, and presentation skills. Pair and group work will be used so that students can give their opinions on the personal, social, and global issues covered in class. The textbook and other materials should be used to introduce the topics. Students will also make presentations.

Learning Outcomes

- Students will be able to discuss and give their opinions on a wide range of current issues
- Students will improve their comprehension and discussion skills
- Students will be able to read about and research issues from other countries
- Students will improve their presentation skills

Course Content

- A weekly student newspaper will be used as a base for the course
- Other materials (videos, newspapers, internet articles) will also be used
- Topics that will be covered can include relationships between people, environmental concerns, plagiarism, technology, adult children, poverty, and other societal issues, travel, etc.
- Students will make pair and group presentations

Grading Criteria

- Classwork 40%
(Includes all assignments, quizzes, discussion preparation and participation)
- Presentations 20%
- Mid-term exam 20%
- Final exam 20%