



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

SYLLABUS DEL CORSO

Geopolitics

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Learning objectives

The course, in English, provides the necessary knowledge to understand major geopolitical dynamics related to contemporary critical issues.

Contents

Brief history of geopolitics and diversity of geopolitical approaches; analysis of the main elements to understand geopolitical dynamics; discussion of contemporary geopolitical issues.

Detailed program

Geopolitical approaches (classical, critical, feminist); geopolitics and geography; geopolitical agency and geopolitical structures; the role of national identities; borders as geopolitical features; territories and networks; popular geopolitics; environmental geopolitics.

Prerequisites

Knowledge of the theoretical and methodological foundations of social sciences and good communication skills.

Teaching methods

Lectures (supported by slides), based on the presentation of theoretical approaches as well as historical or contemporary case studies.

Assessment methods

Oral exam. Questions by the instructor for assessing the critical skills developed by students.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Colin Flint (2017) *Introduction to Geopolitics, 3rd Edition*, Routledge

Moreover, each student should prepare for the exam on a further reading, to be selected among articles that will be made available on the e-learning platform or, alternatively, agreed with the professor in advance. Students attending the lessons may select the topic among the examples that will be presented throughout the course. Further explanation will be provided in class.
