

# 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, 3<sup>rd</sup> 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,\_\_\_\_\_