



INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COURSE

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Course: International Relations: Brazil’s Global Voice	Course hours: Nº of Credits: Year/Semester: 2014.1
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Abstract: For some, international relations means the diplomatic-strategic relations of states, and the natural focus of International Relations is on issues of war and peace, conflict and cooperation. However, in an intensely globalized world, International Relations had to shift its focus towards the intensification of cross-border interactions and interdependence between countries, approaching important issues such as: world politics, world economy, social tensions, environmental problems, trade negotiations, state and non-state institutions. International Relations is the study of the complexities and the ever changing dynamics of the international scenario.

The fall of The Berlin Wall and the fragmentation of the Soviet bloc and the immediate changes in the Brazilian Foreign Policy projections. The inconsistencies in The New World Order – the new role of diplomacy in the International Trade. Brazil in a globalized scenario – the Collor, Fernando Henrique Cardoso and Lula da Silva administrations in a New World Order. The South Cone (MERCOSUL) perspective and its insertion in economic blocs – NAFTA and FTAA. The importance of the BRICs for Brazil’s foreign economic policy. Terrorism and the adjustment to the “Bush Doctrine” and preventive war. The diplomacy of military peace-keeping. The political desire to obtain a permanent seat in the UN Security Council. Leadership position in new political and economic blocs in an already consolidated World Order.



General objective: (1) A brief theoretical approach to the International Relations field (2) Discuss the basic concepts of Brazilian Foreign Policy through a brief social and historical approach. (3) To familiarize the students with the historical debates surrounding the formulation of the main tenets of the Brazilian Foreign Policy. (4) Offer many methodological approaches that permit students to construct a critical assessment of the Brazilian Foreign Policy. (5) To stimulate the analysis of foreign policy as an important mechanism for the development of a solid professional in International Relations.

Program Content

Section 1: Brief Historical perspectives of the Brazilian Foreign Policy

The Baron of Rio Branco (1902-1912)

The Vargas Era: struggle with The Great Depression

The Juscelino Kubitschek Administration: The Pan-American Operation (OPA)

The Jânio Quadros Administration: crosscut steps in the Cold War

The João Goulart (Jango) Administration: reestablishment o diplomatic ties with the USSR

The Military Administrations post – 1964

The Foreign Policy of the José Sarney Administration

The Foreign Policy of the Fernando Collor Administration

The Foreign Policy of the Itamar Franco Administration

The Foreign Policy of the Fernando Henrique Cardoso Administration

The Foreign Policy of the Luis Inácio “Lula” da Silva Administration

Section 2: Analytical Perspective of the Brazilian Foreign Policy

The Fernando Henrique Cardoso years

1 ITO

2 MERCOSUL

3 European Union

4 ALCA (FTAA)

5 US

The Luis Inácio “Lula” da Silva and Dilma Rouseff years

1 Autonomy through diversification Strategy

2	South-South Cooperation
3	The BRICS
4	IMF
5	US
	Brazil in the asymmetric axis of the international system
5	Identity
7	Globalized World
8	Permanent seat in the UN Security Council

Methodology: The course has been structured in 13 class meetings.

Evaluation Process: Written examination

Examination 1: Individually handwritten (English) in the classroom: 10 points **1/11**

Examination 2: Individually handwritten (English) in the classroom: 10 points **1/18**

Examination 3: Individually handwritten (English) in the classroom: 10 points **1/23**

Group Project: Brazil as a permanent member of The United Nations Security Council

AULA a AULA	Month/Day	Content	Objectives
	27/12	Welcoming Statement	

28/12	Course description and expectations		
01/06	Welcoming words Program Content	Demonstrate the importance of the course to the students	
01/07	Brief discussion of Brazil's Foreign Policy – part 1	Contextualize the Brazilian Foreign Policy (PEB)	
01/08	Brief discussion of Brazil's Foreign Policy – part 2	Contextualize (PEB)	
01/09	Contemporary Brazilian Foreign Policy	The return of democracy The Fernando Collor years; liberalization; the Washington Consensus	
01/10	Fernando Henrique Cardoso – “continuity through participation” Part 1	The Real Plan ;the Washington Consensus; consolidation of democracy; economic credibility; multilateral approach, regional relations, world relations, US/Brazil relations	
01/13	Fernando Henrique Cardoso – “continuity through participation” Part 2	The Real Plan ;the Washington Consensus; consolidation of democracy; economic credibility; multilateral approach, regional relations, world relations, US/Brazil relations	
01/14	Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva – “autonomy through participation”	Domestic and foreign policies (linkage); South/South Relations, Mercosur; diversification of partnerships; social	

		inclusion	
01/15	Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva and Dilma Roussef – “autonomy through participation”	Domestic and foreign policies (linkage); South/South Relations, Mercosur; US/Brazil relations; diversification of partnerships; social inclusion	
01/16	Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva and Dilma Roussef – “autonomy through participation”	Regional leadership and new issue areas; sustainable growth, environmental policies, security borders, drugs, terrorism, alternative fuel (ethanol); agro business	
01/17	Brazil and the G-20; permanent seat in the UN Security Council; peace-keeping effort	Important actor in the international political scenario. Opportunities; structural changes, world economic crisis; impacts and opportunities of the Soccer World Cup (2014) and the Olympic Games (2016)	
01/20	Brazil and the multipolar world	Important actor in the international political scenario. Opportunities; structural changes, world economic crisis; impacts and opportunities of the Soccer World Cup (2014) and the Olympic Games (2016)	
01/21	Brazil/US relations	Old partners, new challenges	

01/22 – Closing statement

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