

Honors American Foreign Policy

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Course Objective: Honors American Foreign Policy is an honors level course designed to provide the college-bound student with training in the critical analysis, problem solving, and decision-making skills necessary for lifetime learning. In addition, the course presents the extensive background of factual data about recent American foreign affairs required by modern citizens in order to make informed decisions about current issues.

Attendance: -Attendance is taken daily. Students are expected to attend every class unless excused.

Absences:

- If an absence occurs, students are expected to see the teacher outside of classroom time to obtain outstanding work, i.e. before/after class/school, free/lunch period.
- If a student “cuts” a class, a detention will be issued and students will not be permitted to make up the work for that particular class.
- Students must have completed assignment or be prepared to take a test on the date of return.
- If assignments are not completed on the day of return, the late policy will be applied.

Academic Integrity: All students are expected to put forth an honest and authentic effort. If a student action has been deemed in violation of academic integrity (cheating, plagiarism, etc.), the student will receive a zero grade for the assessment. **Remember, one dishonest action can ruin a lifetime of credibility!**

Grading Policy: All assessments (tests, homework, papers) will be evaluated using a point system. At the end of the first nine weeks, points will be totaled and a grade assigned. The second nine weeks will be determined in the same fashion. The final grade will be calculated by adding together the first and second nine week point totals.

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| <u>Grading Scale:</u> | 100% - 89.5% | A |
| | 89.4% - 79.5% | B |
| | 79.4% - 69.5% | C |
| | 69.4% - 59.5% | D |
| | 59.4% - | E |

Late: If an assignment is turned in late,

- after it is collected to the end of the due date -10% reduction
- one day late -20% reduction
- 2 or more days late -30% reduction

*** Assignments will not be accepted one week after the chapter test.**

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| <u>Outline of Evaluations:</u> | 1. Simulation | 40 points |
| | 2. Individual Papers (4) | 40 points (10 points each) |
| | 3. Tests (3) | 150 points (50 points each) |
| | 4. Debate | 50 points |
| | 5. Participation | 25 points |
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| | Total | 305 points (approximate total) |

Participation: Participation is an important aspect of this course. It will be evaluated during simulations, debates, classroom sessions, and current events discussions. The participation grade does not include non-volunteer responses.