

**PhD in International Politics
MONSOON 2021**

IO643: Culture, Norms and Identity in World Politics

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

The primary intent of the course is to systematically unpack the categories of culture, norms and identity against a backdrop of broader inter-disciplinary debates pertaining to them within the social sciences. Our more specific interest is to examine the changing meanings and contexts of usage relating to these categories with a particular focus on its analytical utility in the sphere of understanding world politics.

The existing scholarship pertaining to all three categories is large and given our finite time schedule the course concentrates on some representative strands of scholarship surrounding these terms. Students are expected to keep up with contemporary journals in the field, especially *World Politics*, *Alternatives*, *International Organization*, *International Security*, *Review of International Studies*, *European Journal of International Affairs*, *Journal of Asian Studies*, *International Studies*, *South Asian Survey* and *Millennium*. All readings listed here must be treated as essential readings.

EVALUATION & DEADLINES

Mid-semester term paper – 40%	31 March 2022
Mid-semester term paper presentation – 10%	24 March 2022
End-Semester term paper – 50%	15 April 2022

You are required to take a close look at the note on plagiarism in the SIS Research Manual. **Plagiarism is a serious academic offence** and anybody who commits it will be strictly penalized. If you have any doubts regarding this, consult with your course teacher well in advance to turning in your term paper.

COURSE THEMATIC AND READINGS

Culture

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