

Course Title: **Political Geography**
Course No.: **IO 604**
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READING LIST

1. Introduction to Political Geography

Essential Readings:

Joe Painter (1995), *Politics, Geography and Political Geography*, Arnold, London

Jones, Rhys, Martin Jones and Michael Woods (2004), *An Introduction to Political Geography: Space, Place and Politics*, Routledge, London

Agnew, John A.(1987), *Place and Politics: The Geographical Mediation of State and Society*, Allen and Unwin, Boston

Ethington, Philip J. and Jason A. Mc Daniel (2007), "Political Places and Institutional Spaces: The Intersection of Political Science and Political Geography", *Annual Review of Political Science*, 10:127-42

Agnew John (2007), "Know-Where: Geographies of Knowledge of World Politics", *International Political Sociology*, 1:138-148

Suggested Readings:

Agnew, John (1997), *Political Geography: A Reader*, Arnold, London

Agnew, John, K. Mitchell and Gerard Toal (2003) (ed.), *A Companion to Political Geography*, Oxford

Blacksell, Mark (2006), *Political Geography*, *Routledge Contemporary Human Geography Series*, Routledge, London

2. Friedrich Ratzel: Organic Theory of the State

Essential Readings:

Ratzel, Friedrich (1898), Studies in Political Areas: The Political Territory in relation to Earth and Continent, *American Journal of Sociology*, 3: 297-313

Ratzel, Friedrich(1898), Studies in Political Areas II: Intellectual, Political and Economic Effects of Large Areas, *American Journal of Sociology*, 3: 449-463

Ratzel, Friedrich (1899), Studies in Political Areas III: The Small Political Area, *American Journal of Sociology*, 4:366-379

Suggested Readings:

Bassin, Mark, Imperialism and the nation state in Friedrich Ratzel's political geography, *Progress in Human Geography*, 11: 473

3. Richard Hartshorne: Functional Approach to Political Geography

Essential Readings:

Hartshorne, Richard (1935), "Recent Developments in Political Geography, I", *The American Political Science Review*, Vol. 29, No. 5, pp. 785–804.

Hartshorne, Richard (1935), "Recent Developments in Political Geography, II", *The American Political Science Review*, Vol. 29, No. 6, pp. 943–966.

Hartshorne, Richard (1950), Functional Approach in Political Geography, *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, Vo.40, no.2, pp.95-130

Hartshorne, Richard (1960), Political Geography in the Modern World, *The Journal of Conflict Resolution*, IV (1), pp.52-66

Jones, Stephen B. (1954), A Unified Field Theory of Political Geography, *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, Vol.44, No.2, pp.111-123

Suggested Readings:

4. Halford Mackinder: Geographical Pivot/Heartland Theory

Essential Readings:

Mackinder, H.J. (1904), "The Geographical Pivot of History", *The Geographical Journal*, 23: 421-437

Suggested Readings:

Sloan, Geoffrey (1999), "Sir Halford J. Mackinder: The Heartland Theory Then and Now", *Journal of Strategic Studies*, 22:2/3

Kearns, Gerry (2006), "Naturalising Empire: Echoes of Mackinder for the Next American Century?" *Geopolitics*, 11:74-98

Fettweis, Christopher J. (2000), "Sir Halford Mackinder, Geopolitics and Policymaking in the 21st Century", *Parameters*, 58-71

Gerace, Michael P. (1991), "Between Mackinder and Spykman: Geopolitics, containment and after, *Comparative Strategy*, 10: 347-367

5. Nicholas C. Spykman: Concept of Rimland

Essential Readings:

Spykman, Nicholas C.(1938), "Geography and Foreign Policy I", *The American Political Science Review*, 32: 28-50

Spykman, Nicholas C.(1938), "Geography and Foreign Policy II", *The American Political Science Review*, 32: 213-236

Spykman, Nicholas C. and Abbie A. Rollins(1939), " Geographic Objectives in Foreign Policy I, *The American Political Science Review*,33: 391-410

Spykman, Nicholas C. and Abbie Rollins (1939), "Geographic Objectives in Foreign Policy II", *The American Political Science Review*, 33: 591-614

Suggested Readings:

Gerace, Michael P.(1991), " Between Mackinder and Spykman: Geopolitics, containment and after, *Comparative Strategy*, 10: 347-367

6. Territoriality

Essential Readings:

Sack, Robert D. (1983), "Human Territoriality: A Theory", *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, 73:55-74

Agnew, John (1994), "The territorial trap: The geographical assumptions of international relations theory", *Review of International Political Economy*, 1: 53-80

Suggested Readings:

Parker, Geoffrey (1999), "Globalization and the Status of the Territorial State", Presentation, University of Munich,

Agnew, John (2005), "Sovereignty Regimes: Territoriality and State Authority in Contemporary World Politics", *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, 95: 437-461

Vollard, Hans (2009), "The Logic of Political Territoriality", *Geopolitics*, 14: 687-706

7. Power and Geography

Essential Readings:

Allen, John (2003) Chapter-7, "Power", in John Agnew, K. Mitchell and Gerard Toal (ed.), *Companion to Political Geography*, Oxford

Jones, Rhys, Martin Jones and Michael Woods (2004), *An Introduction to Political Geography: Space, Place and Politics*, Routledge, London

Suggested Readings:

Painter, Joe (2008), Chapter-3, "Geographies of Space and Power", in Kevin R. Cox, Murray Low and Jennifer Robinson (eds.), *Sage Handbook of Political Geography*, Sage, London

Blacksell, Mark (2006), *Political Geography, Routledge Contemporary Human Geography Series*, Routledge, London

8. Boundaries

Essential Readings:

Glassner, Martin Ira and Chuck Fahrer (2004), Chapter-8, "Frontiers and Boundaries", *Political Geography*, John Wiley, New York

Newman, David (2003), Chapter-9, "Boundaries", in John Agnew, K. Mitchell and Gerard Toal (ed.), *Companion to Political Geography*, Oxford

Suggested Readings:

Prescott, Victor and Clive Schofield (2005), *Maritime Boundaries of the World*, Martinus Nijhoff, Leiden

9. **Geopolitics and Critical Geopolitics**

Essential Readings:

Cohen, Saul B. (2003) Chapter 1-3, *Geopolitics of the World System*, Rowman and Littlefield, Boulder

Toal, Gerard (1996), *Critical Geopolitics*, Routledge, London

Dodds, Klaus (2000), *Geopolitics in a Changing World*, Pearson, Essex

Suggested Readings:

Agnew, John (2003), *Geopolitics Re-visioning World Politics*, Routledge, New York

Toal, Gerard and Simon Dalby (1998), *Rethinking Geopolitics*, Routledge, London

10. **Environment and Development Imperatives**

Essential Readings:

Mansfield, Becky (2008), Chapter-14, "Global Environment Politics", in Kevin R. Cox, Murray Low and Jennifer Robinson (eds.), *Sage Handbook of Political Geography*, Sage, London

Rangan, Haripriya (2008), Chapter-34, " 'Development' in Question, ", in Kevin R. Cox, Murray Low and Jennifer Robinson (eds.), *Sage Handbook of Political Geography*, Sage, London

Suggested Readings:

Castree, Noel (2003), Chapter-27, "The Geopolitics of Nature", in John Agnew, K. Mitchell and Gerard Toal (ed.), *A Companion to Political Geography*, Oxford

Sidaway, James (2007), "Spaces of postdevelopment", *Progress in Human Geography* 31 (3): 345-61

Slater, David (1993), "The geopolitical imagination and the enframing of development theory", *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers NS* 18:419- 37.

11. **Regions and Regionalism in World Politics**

Essential Readings:

Vayrynen, Raimo (2003), "Regionalism: Old and New", *International Studies Review*, 5:25-51

Kessler, Oliver and Jan Helmig (2007), "Of Systems, Boundaries and Regionalization", *Geopolitics*, 12:570-585

Albert, Mathias and Paul Reuber (2007), "Introduction: The Production of Regions in the Emerging Global Order- Perspectives on 'Strategic Regionalization'", *Geopolitics*, 12: 549-554

Suggested Readings:

Toal, Gerard (2003), "Re-asserting the regional: political geography and geopolitics in a world thinly known", *Political Geography*, 22:653-655