Course syllabus

Analysis and forecasting of foreign policy

The degree of higher education is a master's degree
Field of knowledge - 29 International relations
Specialty - 293 International Law
Educational and professional program - "International Law"

Year of study: 1

Semester: 2

Number of credits: 5
Teaching language: English

Head of the course

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Description of the discipline

The discipline "Analysis and forecasting of foreign policy" is aimed at forming students' theoretical knowledge and developing practical skills regarding the use of specific tools for analysis and forecasting of possible trends and scenarios of the development of foreign policy.

Course structure

Hours (lecturer/sem.)	Topic	Learning outcomes	Task
2 / 1	1. Analysis of foreign policy and stages of its formation	Know the terminology and basic concepts, be able to explain the basic concepts of foreign policy analysis, know the chronological stages of the formation of foreign policy analysis and their essence	Tests, questions
4 / 2	2. Analysis of the foreign policy activity of subjects of international relations	To be able to analyze the main aspects of foreign policy of subjects of international relations: international legal status, structure of interests, state behavior, subjective factors	Tests, group tasks
4 / 1	3. Levels of foreign policy analysis	To be able to analyze the peculiarities of foreign policy at the level of an individual and a separate state, at the global level	Tests, questions
4 / 2	4. Methodological problems of foreign policy analysis	Understand the methodology and methods of foreign policy analysis, know the specifics of foreign policy analysis methods, the main aspects of the analysis of current problems of international relations	Situational tasks

4 / 2	5. Information and analytical provision of foreign policy analysis	To understand the specifics of information and analytical support of foreign policy, features of the global practice of information and analytical support of the political system. Be able to use the methods and techniques of processing information flows in the process of preparing analytical studies; collect , systematize and analyze political information	Situational tasks
2 / 1	6. The essence of forecasting in international relations	Understand the concept of forecasting, methodological prognostic principles, forecast parameters, forecast - typology criteria, forecast effects	Tests, questions
4 / 2	7. Basic methods of foreign policy forecasting	It is possible to use methods of qualitative and quantitative extrapolation forecasting, methods of target forecasting: the method of isolated generation of ideas; method of system generation of ideas	Tests, group tasks
4 / 2	8. Toolkit and stages of predictive research	Know and be able to use the methods of developing forecasts: questionnaires, extrapolation, interpolation , modeling; to know the main stages of forecasting	Situational tasks
2 / 2	9. Evaluation of forecasting results	To be able to assess the quality of the received forecast based on a multi-faceted analysis, combine forecasts , conduct a constant assessment of both their results and factors affecting possible real deviations	Tests, questions

Literary sources

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2. Vashchenko K. O. Prerequisites for the formation of political analytics and forecasting. *Helium. Political sciences* . *Philosophical sciences. Political sciences* . 2018. Issue 43. P. 470-476.

3. Kovalchuk O. Ya. Mathematical modeling and forecasting in international relations: textbook. Ternopil: TNEU, 2019, 412 p.

4. Makarenko E. A. Information democracy in foreign and domestic policy strategies of the Republic of Poland. *International relations. Series: Political sciences* . 2017. No. 13. P. 34-41.

5. Movchan U. V. Computer methods of political forecasting: modern practice and prospects for implementation. Science Days of the Faculty of Philosophy - 2017: materials of the International of science conference, April 25-26 2017. Kyiv: Polygraph Publishing House. Center "Kyiv University", 2017. Part 8. P. 33-34.

6. Paniotto V. Kharchenko M. Survey methods. "VD "Kyiv-Mohyla Academy", 2018. 235 p.

7. Principles of organization of modern information and analytical activity. URL: https://thelib.info/tehnologii/ 2892855-principi-organizacii-suchasnoi-informacijno-analitichnoi-diyalnosti.

8. Chekalenko L.D. Foreign policy of Ukraine (from ancient times to the present day): a textbook. Diplomatic Academy of Ukraine under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine. 2nd edition K.: Condor, 2017. 290 p.

9. Yu. V. Chepelyuk. Methods of analytical and prognostic research of diplomatic missions. Library science. Documentary science. Informatology. 2022. No. 1. P. 55-61.

Evaluation policy

● **Deadlines and rescheduling policy** : Papers that are submitted late without good reason will receive a lower grade (-20 points). Rearranging modules takes place with the permission of the dean's office if there are good reasons (for example, hospital).

● **Academic Integrity Policy** : All written work is checked for plagiarism and accepted for defense with correct textual borrowings of no more than 20%. Write-offs during control work are prohibited (including using mobile devices). Mobile devices are allowed to be used only during online testing (for example, the app Kahoot).

● **Attendance Policy** : Attendance is a mandatory component of the grade for which points are awarded. For objective reasons (for example, illness, international internship), training can take place online upon agreement with the supervisor course

Assessment

The final grade for the course is calculated as follows:

Credit module 1	Credit module 2	Credit module 3
30%	4 0%	30 %
Oral survey during classes (1-5 topics) – 6 points per topic – max. 30 points Modular control work (topics 1-5) - max. 70 points	Oral survey during classes (6-9 topics) 10 points per topic - max. 40 points Modular control work (topics 6-9) – max. 60 points	Preparation of KPIZ - max. 40 points Protection of KPIZ - max. 40 points Participation in trainings - max. 20 points

Student evaluation scale:

ECTS	Points	Content
A	90-100	perfectly
B	85-89	fine
C	75-84	fine
D	65-74	satisfactorily
E	60-64	enough
FX	35-59	unsatisfactory with the possibility of reassembly
F	1-34	unsatisfactory with a mandatory repeat course