

Global Justice

Political Theory Project

Content:

Traditionally, theories of global justice treat "free market capitalism" as a problem that the theory of global justice is meant to redress. This course considers a different possibility: from the perspective of the world's most poor, a system of free markets may constitute a *form* of global justice. In particular, we consider an interpretation of global justice that is launched from libertarian mantra, "Free Trade, Free Migration, and Peace." What are the attractions, and shortcomings, of such a global ideal? In what sense, if any, might a global system of open markets claim to be fair or just, especially with respect to the world's most disadvantaged? Enrollment limited to 20 juniors and seniors.

Required Books:

- Edwin Van de Haar, *Classical Liberalism and International Relations Theory*
- Gary Chartier, *Radicalizing Rawls: Global Justice & the Foundations of International Law*

Your Grade:

Class participation, including class-leadership: 50%

Term paper: 50%

Schedule:

Week 1: Introduction to the course.

Week 2:

- *Peace, Love & Liberty* - edited by Tom Palmer Ch 1-8 & 10 **(Canvas)**
- **Required:**
 - Murray Rothbard, *For a New Liberty*, Chapter 1: "The libertarian Heritage: The American Revolution and Classical Liberalism" (pp 1-23) **(Canvas)**

Week 3:

- Edwin Van de Haar, *Classical Liberalism and International Relations Theory*, "Introduction" & Chapter 2 "What is Classical Liberalism" (pp 1-40)
- Razeen Sally - *Classical Liberalism & International Economic Order: Studies in theory and intellectual history*, Ch. 2 "What is Classical Liberalism?" **(Canvas)**
- **Secondary:** John Tomasi & Matt Zwolinski, *A Brief History of Libertarianism*, ms., Princeton University Press, "The Libertarian Dream" & "What is Libertarianism?" **(Canvas)**

Week 4: Hugo Grotius

- **Primary:**
 - Hugo Grotius, *The Rights of War & Peace*, pp. 75-240 **(Canvas)**
- **Secondary:**
 - Miller, Jon, "Hugo Grotius", *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Spring 2014 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/spr2014/entries/grotius/>. **(Online)**
 - Tanaka Tadashi, "Grotius's Method: With Special Reference to Prolegomena" and "Grotius's Concept of Law" in *A Normative Approach to War : Peace, War, and Justice in Hugo Grotius*, ed. Onuma Yasuaki (pp 11-56) **(Canvas)**

Week 5: David Hume & Adam Smith

- **Primary Selections from Hume:**
 - *Essays Moral, Political and Literary*; Essay XXI: "Of National Characters" (pp. 197-215); Essay VI: "Of the Jealousy of Trade" (pp. 327-331); Essay VII: "Of the Balance of Power" (pp. 332-341). **(Canvas)**
- **Primary Selections from Smith:**
 - *The Theory of Moral Sentiments*, pp. 310-348 **(Canvas)**
 - *Lectures on Jurisprudence*, pp. 590-600 **(Canvas)**
- **Secondary:**
 - Razeen Sally - *Classical Liberalism & International Economic Order: Studies in theory and intellectual history*, Ch. 3: "The international political economy of David Hume and Adam Smith: commercial openness, institutional change, and unilateral free trade" **(Canvas)**
 - Edwin Van de Haar, *Classical Liberalism and International Relations Theory*, Chapter 3: "David Hume & International Society" & Chapter 4: "Adam Smith, War, & Commerce" (pp 41-74)

Week 6: Immanuel Kant

- **Primary:**
 - Immanuel Kant, *Perpetual Peace* **(Canvas)**
- **Secondary:**
 - George Varouxakis, *Liberty Abroad*, Chapters 1-5 **(Canvas)**

Week 7: Richard Cobden

- **Para-Primary:**
 - J.A. Hobson, *Richard Cobden: The International Man*, 1919 -- Ch 1-6 & 13 **(Canvas)**
 - Free Trade Nation - A Message from the Forties **(Canvas)**

- **Secondary:**
 - Stephen Davies, “Richard Cobden: Ideas and Strategies in Organizing the Free-Trade Movement in Britain” **(Canvas)**
- **Recommended:**
 - Frank Trentmann, *Free Trade Nation*, “Part 1: Building a Free Trade Nation” pp 1-133 **(There is a copy in Mary Massed’s office at the PTP, first come- first served. There is also a copy available at the Library)**

Week 8: John Stuart Mill

- **Primary:**
 - John Stuart Mill, *Consideration of representative government*, CH XVI: Of Nationality, As Connected with Representative Government **(Canvas)**
 - John Stuart Mill, Vindication of the French Revolution (Feb 1848) **(Canvas)**
 - John Stuart Mill, Treaty Obligations (Dec 1870) **(Canvas)**
 - A Few words on Non-Intervention **(Canvas)**

Week 9: Ludwig von Mises & Freidrich Hayek

- **Primary selections from Ludwig von Mises:**
 - *Liberalism in the Classical Tradition*, Chapter 3: “Liberal Foreign Policy” **(Canvas)**
- **Primary selections from Freidrich Hayek:**
 - *The Road to Serfdom*, Chapter 15: “The Prospects of International Order” **(Canvas)**
- **Secondary:**
 - Edwin Van de Haar, *Classical Liberalism and International Relations Theory*, Chapter 5: “Ludwig von Mises, Capitalism & Peace” & Chapter 6: “Freidrich Hayek, International Order, & Federalism” (pp 75-159)

Week 10:

- Gary Chartier, *Radicalizing Rawls: Global Justice & the Foundations of International Law*

Week 11: Provisional: *Justice at a Distance*, Fernando Teson & Loren Lomasky (with possible visit by Teson and/or Lomasky)