

# **History and Civilization**

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International System(s):

Politics, Economy, and Governance in the XX Century world

**Collective feedback, End-term exam rules, conclusive overview**

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# Collective Feedback

**F:** FAIL

**NS:** NOT SUBMITTED

**BELOW OR EQUAL TO 24:** ELIGIBLE FOR RESIT (not if caused by the late submission)

**BELOW OR EQUAL TO 22:** INDIVIDUAL FEEDBACK (not if caused by the late submission)

# Collective Feedback

- 1) Arguments
- 2) Focus
- 3) Structure
- 4) Factual
- 5) Sources
- 6) Style
- 7) Submission

"There is no new world order after WW1: in the Versailles system, the same elite club of great powers is still in the driving seat." Discuss.

"The Korean War and the Vietnam War were both **only** Cold War conflicts". Discuss.

"Germany was the only responsible for the outbreak of war in 1914." Discuss

# Collective Feedback

- **Reasons for failure:** plagiarism, off-topic, late submission
- **Reasons for major points reductions:** lack of answer, off-topic, lack of focus, plag/AI, descriptions not arguments, serious factual mistakes, no references, bad sources
- **Reasons for minor points reductions:** mistakes by omission, bad citing, terminology, small factual mistakes, style

# WHAT AFTER MID-TERM EXAM?

- **PASS-** Paper for Special Module 1 (20%) + End-term oral exam in the first session (International systems 20% + Special Module 2 20%)
- **WANT TO IMPROVE** (only  $\leq 24$ ) Paper for Special Module 1 (20%) + End-term oral exam in first session (International systems 20% + Special Module 2 20%) + Resit oral in the second session (40%).
- **PASS BUT LOST ATTENDING STUDENT STATUS-** Paper for Special Module 1 (20%) + End-term oral exam in the first session (International systems 40% + Special Module 2 20%)
- **FAIL-** Paper for Special Module 1 (20%) + End-term oral exam in first session (International systems 20% + Special Module 2 20%) + Resit oral in the second session (40%).
- **PLAGIRISM-** Ethical Commission, failure of the entire course (no possibility to retake until next academic year), expulsion...

# KEY TAKE-AWAYS

- All exams after Mid-Term (except a paper for Special Module 1) are **oral exams**. Mid-Term exam a chance to score a good grade!
- Resits will take place only in the second session in June
- Losing attending student status after the Mid-Term implies decrease in the Mid-Term value to 20%.
- Not submitting the Mid-Term means losing attending student status
- Not submitting a paper for Special Module 1 means losing attending student status
- Not attending End-Term exam in the first session means losing attending student status

# NON-ATTENDING

Oral exam from the entire course (General Module, 60% + Special Module 2, 20%) + paper (Special Module 1, 20%) – All parts of the exam in the same exam session

# END-TERM EXAM PROCEDURE

- 10 minutes per student
- International System(s): Politics, Economy, and Governance in the XX Century world (general module) + Religion(s) and International Politics: The Ever-Changing Relationship (special module 2)
- Two questions, five minutes each
- Pick a ballot
- Answer 3-3,5 minutes max + 2-1,5 minutes follow up questions

# **International System(s): Politics, Economy, and Governance in the XX Century world**

- 1) To what extent were Pan-Africanism, Pan-Arabism and the Non-Aligned Movement products of the Cold War?
- 2) Assess the accomplishments of the Third World in changing the political and economic world order. How do these compare with its agenda?
- 3) “Gorbachev’s actions were the most important factor leading to the end of the Cold War.” Discuss.
- 4) “The end of the Cold War wiped out the whole post-1945 world order”. Discuss.

# Religion(s) and International Politics: The Ever-Changing Relationship

- 1) “Religion and the State belong to two different spheres and have no interaction with each other.” Discuss.
- 2) “The Catholic Church has no tools to be a player in international relations, as it has no political and military power.” Discuss.
- 3) “Fascism tried to replace Catholicism with a political religion.” Discuss.
- 4) “Since the Second Vatican Council, the Catholic Church has advocated the separation between religion and politics, and has focused on its religious mission exclusively.” Discuss.

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## **1. International systems**

- Concert of Europe (1815-1914)
- Versailles System (1918-1939)
- Cold War (1945-1989)
- New World Order (1989-?)

## **2.1. The rise of international systems: context and actors**

- Concert of Europe (1815-1914)- Napoleon's defeat
- Versailles System (1918-1939)- End of the First World War
- Cold War (1945-1989)- End of the Second World War
- New World Order (1989-?) - Collapse of the Socialist Bloc and the Soviet Union

## 2.2. The rise of international systems: treatment of the losers

- Concert of Europe (1815-1914)- France integrated
- Versailles System (1918-1939)- Germany isolated
- Cold War (1945-1989)- Germany integrated
- New World Order (1989-?) – Russia?

### **3. The functioning of international systems**

- Concert of Europe (1815-1914)- Balance of power
- Versailles System (1918-1939)- Great powers + the League of Nations
- Cold War (1945-1989)- Bipolarity
- New World Order (1989-?) – Unipolarity, multipolarity?

## 4. Institutionalisation of international systems

- Concert of Europe (1815-1914)- Informal
- Versailles System (1918-1939)- League of Nations
- Cold War (1945-1989)- Multiplication of international organisations

Truly international: United Nations

On the Western capitalist side: NATO, IMF, World Bank, EEC...

On the Eastern socialist side: Warsaw Pact, COMECON...

Third World: Non-Alligned Movement, Arab League...

- New World Order (1989-?)

## **5.1. Disintegration of international systems: revisionist powers**

- Concert of Europe (1815-1914)- Germany, national demands
- Versailles System (1918-1939)- Germany, Japan, Italy
- Cold War (1945-1989)- Europe, Third World
- New World Order (1989-?)

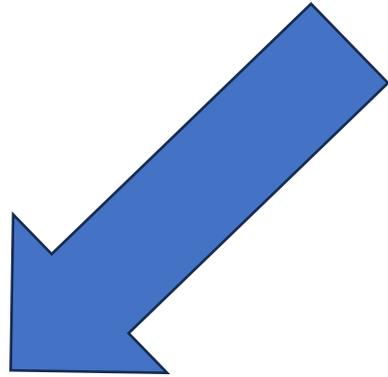
## 5.2. Disintegration of international systems: cracks in the system

- Concert of Europe (1815-1914)- e.g. Balkans
- Versailles System (1918-1939)- e.g. Manchuria, Abyssinia, Czechoslovakia
- Cold War (1945-1989)- e.g. economic entanglement, popular revolts
- New World Order (1989-?)

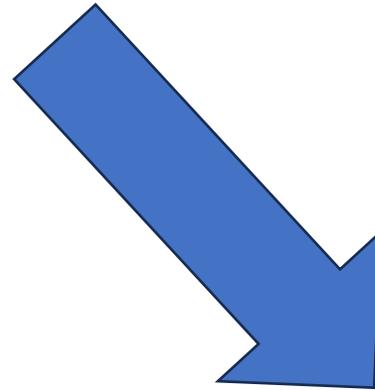
## 6. Collapse of international systems

- Concert of Europe (1815-1914)- war
- Versailles System (1918-1939)- war
- Cold War (1945-1989)- collapse of one of the pillars- peaceful end!
- New World Order (1989-?)

# International System(s): Politics, Economy, and Governance in the XX Century world



States, Cultures and Identities:  
The Middle East Meets Europe



Religion(s) and International  
Politics: The Ever-Changing  
Relationship

# END-TERM EXAM: 10-12 JUNE

## Final tips:

- Stay focused on a question
- Think about questions in advance
- Find balance between arguments and details
- Do not stress!