

# POLI 12D: International Relations

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# Reminders

- ▶ Midterm
  - ▶ One essay (55%)—two choices, pick one
  - ▶ Three key terms (45%)—five choices, pick three
  - ▶ Key terms need: 1) definition, 2) importance, 3) example
- ▶ Regular office hours: W 8:45-10:45, SSB 343
- ▶ First draft packet due for **International Law/Human Rights** debate groups next Wednesday

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Specifically, what are collective security organizations? Examples?

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How do alliances intersect with the causes of bargaining failure we've laid out in previous classes?

## Key Points: Causes of Civil War

Of our three main reasons for bargaining failure (incomplete information, commitment problems, indivisibility), which is the most likely cause of civil war? Why?



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What drives terrorists' strategies?

# Big Picture Review: Strategic Interaction Broadly

What is strategic interaction?

What are the different types of strategic interaction? How do these types relate to pareto frontiers and the distribution of a “good”?

# Big Picture Review: Bargaining Theory of War

Describe and diagram the bargaining theory of war.

What factors might change the size and/or position of the bargaining range?

# Big Picture Review

Anarchy

Hegemony

Security Dilemma

# Big Picture Review

Bargaining

Outside options

Agenda-setting power

Bargaining range

# Big Picture Review

Prisoners' Dilemma

Chicken

Stag Hunt

Dominant Strategy



# Debate Packet Components

- ▶ Overview of argument and all of the points you will make, with evidence to support. For the first draft, this can be in bullet/outline form. For the final draft this should be formatted as a written draft of your introductory speech, with additional points of support outlined below.
- ▶ Questions you will pose to the other side
- ▶ Drafts of answers to questions you suspect the other side will ask you
- ▶ For the first draft, you must prepare each of these three components for BOTH sides. For the final draft, you only need to perfect the side you have been assigned.

# Debate Timeline

- ▶ Week Five (Today): Trade 1st draft due
- ▶ Week Six (Feb 15): Int'l law/human rights 1st draft due
- ▶ Week Seven (Feb 22): **Security Debate**, Environment 1st draft due
- ▶ Week Eight (March 1): **Trade Debate**
- ▶ Week Nine (March 8): **Int'l Law/Human Rights Debate**
- ▶ Week Ten (March 15): **Environment Debate**

## To do now

- ▶ Check in with your group
- ▶ How are your arguments coming? Have you based them around the AREA framework?
- ▶ Who are the actors in your debate? What are their interests? How do they interact? What institutions structure these interactions? Have you incorporated this information into your arguments?